

#### Editorial

Welcome to this first edition of the Zone 8 Rotary Foundation Newsletter. In this edition, you will find details of both Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinators, Endowment/Major Gift Advisers and Assistant Rotary Foundation Coordinators, each of whom are a resource for you to utilise - each of whom are willing to visit and offer any assistance needed to make this year the very best year ever!

This will be a monthly Newsletter.

We would like to read YOUR stories - see YOUR pictures - feature YOUR successes - read about YOUR Grant experiences, both Global and District - share YOUR thoughts about this most exciting period for Our Rotary Foundation, the Centennial and the eradication of Polio.

Tell us about YOUR plans for celebrating the Centennial.

Please send your stories, photos (jpg format), notices of upcoming events, questions to Editor, RRFC Eric Wood, email ericwood@bigpond.com





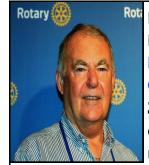




PDG Eric Wood is the Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for Part of Zone 8, covering Districts 9455 -9670, for 2016-19.

A Rotarian since 1986, Eric has served at both Club and District level in many positions, including GSE Chairman and District Secretary before serving as District Governor D9600 in 2010-11 and as DRFC for 2012-2016. He is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Major Donor and Member of the Bequest Society and Paul Harris Society and a recipient of a Citation for Meritorious Service from the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation in 2015-16.

From 1st July 2016, Eric commences a three year term as a Trustee of The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.



PDG John Barnes
is the Regional
Rotary Foundation
Coordinator for
Zone 7B and Part
of Zone 8, with
responsibility for

six New Zealand Districts and ten **South Eastern Australian Districts** covering Districts 9675 - 9830. A Rotarian since 1979, John has served at Club level as Secretary for ten years and President twice. He has served as Chair of the **District International committee** for two years and Assistant Governor from 2005-2007, before serving as District 9810 Governor in 2008-09. John is a Multiple Paul **Harris Fellow and Member of the** Paul Harris Society and received a Citation for Meritorious Service from the Trustees of The Rotary Foundation in 2013-14. John is currently in his third year as Trustee of The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.







Ronald G. Geary is commencing a three year appointment as the Endowment and Major Gifts Adviser for part of

Zone 8, covering Districts 9455-9670.

A Rotarian since 1992, Ron served as Club President in 1996-97 and District Governor in 2003-04. Ron has also served his District as DRFC 2005-06, District Annual Fund Subcommittee Chair (2004-05 and 2006-07) and District Permanent Fund Subcommittee Chair (2004-05, 2006-07 and 2010-12); as Health & Hunger Zone 8 Coordinator from 2007-10 and as an Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator (2014-16).

Ron is the recipient of the "Service Above Self" award in 2008 and "Regional Service Award for a Polio Free World" in 2011.

Ron, an avid boater, is the former Cruising Captain for the South Perth Yacht Club and Past Commodore of the International Fellowship of Yachting Rotarians Western Fleet.



Monica Saville is the Endowment and Major Gifts Adviser for Zone 7B and part of Zone 8, serving Districts 9675-9830 in Australia and the

six Districts of New Zealand, having served as Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for 2009-12 and RRFC for that Zone for 2009-12.

A Rotarian for 23 years, Monica has seen extensive service at Club, District, Zone and International levels. Monica served as District 9780 Governor in 2007-08, was Services Director on the Host Organising Committee for the 2014 Sydney Convention and was District 9680 representative to the 2013 Council on Legislation.

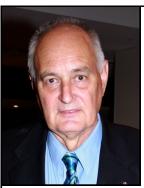
Monica is a Major Donor and a Bequest Society Member. In January 2016, the Australian Government honoured Monica with an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) for her services to the community through Rotary. As a Polio survivor, Monica participated in a National Immunisation Day in India 2010 and launched the book *Dancing in My Dreams-Confronting the Spectre of Polio* in 2015.





Paul Gianatti is the Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator with responsibility for Districts 9455

and 9465, Western Australia. Paul was inducted into the Rotary Club of Mt. Lawley, D9455, in 1995 and served as District Governor 2006-7. Paul also served a RAWCS Western Region Chairman, 2007-10. He is serving the first of a 3-year term as ARRFC.



John Rowe is the Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for the S.A. Districts 9500 & 9520. A Rotarian since 1987, John served as District

Governor D9500 in 2006-07. He has served as District Grants Sub-Committee Chair 2007-11, Foundation Chair 2011-13 and District Grants Chair since 2013. Paul is a member of the Paul Harris Society. He and wife, Lynne, are Major Donors, Benefactors and Bequest Society Members. John is a recipient of the TRF Citation for Meritorious Service and the RI Avenues of Service Citation.



Allan Church
was invited to
join Rotary Club
of Townsville
Sunrise in 1990.
He served as
President in

1998-99 and has served on most Club committees. He was District Governor D9550 in 2010-11. Allan has received the Four Avenues of Service and Service Above Self awards, is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, member of the Paul Harris Society and a Major Donor of The Rotary Foundation. He is ARRFC for Districts 9550 and 9570.



Graham Jones is
Assistant Regional
Rotary Foundation
Coordinator for
Districts 9640,
9650 & 9670, his
third year of

service as ARRFC. A Rotarian since 1986, Graham was District Governor D9640 in 2011-12. He has served as District Trainer 2012-14 and as Foundation Coordinator of the Rotary Leadership Institute. Graham is a recipient of the Citation for Meritorious Service and is a Paul Harris Fellow and Bequest Society Member.





Tony Castley has been a Rotarian for 29 years. He is Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator for

Districts 9675, 9685 and 9700. He served as District Governor D9680 in 2008-09, having previously served on several District committees, District Foundation Chair 2012-16 and is a Trustee of The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust. Tony received the Citation for Meritorious Service and a Service Above Self Award for his overseas aid work.



Murray Verso is an Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator, with responsibility for Districts 9800, 9810, 9820 and 9830. A

Rotarian since 1981, Murray served as District Governor D9800, 2014-15. He is currently the District Chair of Club Vision. Murray also serves on the national Rotarian committee for Interplast. Murray is a multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Bequest Society member and D9800 Paul Harris Society member.



Brian Trenery, a 25year member of the Rotary Club of Warrnambool, D9780, is the Assistant Regional Rotary Foundation

Coordinator for Districts 9710, 9780 & 9790. Brian served as District Governor D9780, 2011-12. He was District 9780 Representative to the Council on Legislation in April. Brian is a Paul Harris Fellow, a recipient of the Avenues of Service Citation, the Cliff Dochterman Award and The Rotary Foundation District Service Award.

