



THE ROTARY CLUB OF ELIZABETH INC

District 9500 - Charter granted 23 Nov 1966
PO Box 233, Elizabeth SA 5112

Rotary International President: Barry Rassin
District Governor 9500: David Egan
AG Group 4: Colin Willington
President Elizabeth Rotary: Elizabeth Adamson

BE THE INSPIRATION

BULLETIN

MEETING 2600 – MONDAY 4 MARCH 2019

Report from meeting held on Monday 25 February 2019 at the Playford Civic Centre

Meeting 2599 was our joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Playford.

President Elizabeth in her opening of the meeting welcomed members – Delwyn Watts, Shirley Halls, Gay Smallwood-Smith, Theo Nitz, Anthony James, Eryn Halls, David Adamson and Katrina Stroet and guests Rachael Zaltron from Backpacks 4 SA Kids, and P Robin and members of the Rotary Club of Playford.

Apologies: Sharka Byrne

Chairperson Delwyn gave the toast to the Queen, the people of Australia, and the invocation.

Chairperson Delwyn called for spots.

- ✚ P Elizabeth reminded members of both clubs that the Group 4 Intercity Meeting is on Wednesday 6 March. The cost is \$35.00 per head and includes a drink on arrival. If you would like P Elizabeth to send you the information again, please ask. RSVP is 27 February.

Our meeting on 8 April is a combined meeting with the Lions Club. We have invited the Rotary Club of Playford to join us.

- ✚ David reminded members that the next Northern Business Breakfast will be at the Parafield Gardens Community Club on Wednesday 27 February at 7am.
- ✚ Delwyn informed members that Alan Murphy had finished repairs on the ramp for the family with multiple children with disabilities. He used a recycled plastic composite instead of timber and had an audience (i.e. the family) whilst he worked with Delwyn's assistance. We have received a thankyou email from Ben Wang, a social worker who works with the family.
- ✚ Shirley informed members that our area for Clean Up Australia Day this year is Grant Creek on Samuel Road, Smithfield. We will be starting at 9am on Sunday 3 March.
- ✚ Eryn was contacted by the district Community Service Chair, Leslie (Les) Dennis asking if we wanted to help deliver bushfire alertness pamphlets for the Police. We will pick them up from Elizabeth Police Station when they are ready. More details to follow.

After dinner Delwyn introduced our guest speaker for the night, Rachael Zaltron from Backpacks 4 SA Kids. Initially Rachael and her friend were only going to give backpacks to their own children until they saw a need to help more children.

In the first year they expected they might give ten backpacks away when instead they gave away about five hundred and sixty backpacks to kids. The backpacks include age appropriate emergency clothing, toiletries and other necessities. They also contain distraction items to help kids through difficult times and positive messages on paper such as "You are great".

They have now expanded their operations to include Anchor Packs and Home Starter Packs after identifying further needs in the community.

The Anchor Packs are geared to meeting the needs of 15 to 25 year olds who are experiencing primary or secondary homelessness. These packs include items to keep these people safe including mobile phones which are restricted to calling 5 numbers. One girl who had been living on the streets in North Adelaide received a pack on the Monday and via the resources in the pack inquired about accommodation and was off the streets on the Wednesday.

Home Starter Packs help out those who have fled domestic violence. Centrelink provides funds for bond and rent but not any for necessary household items such as plates, bed sheets, towels or kitchen items such as toasters etc. These packs provide these items.

P Elizabeth inducted Katrina Stroet into the club as a member. Her classification is Youth Services and she was sponsored by Gay and Shirley.

Instead of a Sergeant's session we shared funny and nice experiences we had recently.

The raffle was drawn by Rachael and won by Shirley and Gay.

P Robin closed Playford's meeting.

President Elizabeth closed the meeting.

DUTIES	4 MARCH	6 MARCH	11 MARCH	19 MARCH
	2600	2601		2602
Dinner	No	Yes	No	Yes
Chairperson	Committees and Board Meeting	Group 4 Intercity Meeting	Adelaide Cup Day	Joint Meeting with Rotary Club of
Cashier	7pm Start	6:30pm for 7pm	Public Holiday	Playford
Visitors		Para Hills		Playford Civic
Regalia	At the Lions Den	Community Club	No Meeting	Centre
Sergeant				6:30pm for 7pm
Speaker				

N.B. If you are unable to attend please arrange a replacement for your duties. Thank you.

DIARY DATES:				
2019	DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME
WEDNESDAY	6 MARCH	Group 4 Intercity Meeting	Para Hills Community Club	6:30pm for 7pm
TUESDAY	19 MARCH	Joint Meeting with Playford Rotary	Playford Civic Centre	6:30pm for 7pm
MONDAY	8 APRIL	Joint Meeting with The Lions Club of Elizabeth Playford		



Who is celebrating in March?

BIRTHDAYS: - David Adamson 7th Eryn Halls 8th Brian Alford 9th Bessie Dickins 28th

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: Gay Smallwood-Smith and Peter Smith 7th

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES: None

**CONTACT DETAILS:- RC of Elizabeth
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<http://www.elizabeth.rotaryaust.org/>

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Meet at the Grenville Community Hub, Playford Boulevard, Elizabeth
2nd and 4th Monday of the Month 6:15 p.m. for 6:45 p.m. start

If not attending please send apology to Eryn Halls – Club Secretary

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to assist with catering for meal numbers