

# THE ROTARY CLUB OF ELIZABETH INC

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



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AG Group 4: Colin Willington  
President Elizabeth Rotary: Eryn Halls

## BULLETIN

MEETING 2618 – MONDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2019

### Report from meeting held on Monday 26 August 2019 at the Playford Civic Centre

Meeting 2617 was our combined meeting with the Rotary Club of Playford

President Eryn in her opening of the meeting welcomed members – Anthony James, Gay Smallwood-Smith, Shirley Halls, Elizabeth Adamson, David Adamson and Delwyn Watts and guests Puskar Poudyal, Natalie Bubner, Pastoral Care Worker, Elizabeth South Primary School and Story Dogs Coordinator, Gary Bubner and P George and the members of the Rotary Club of Playford.

Apologies: Sharka Byrne

P George Shaw opened meeting 1025 of the RC of Playford and called for spots. After his club's spots he closed their meeting.

Chairperson Elizabeth called for spots.

- ✚ PP Elizabeth and PP David attended Elizabeth South Primary School's assembly last week, where she was presented with a certificate by Pastoral Care Worker, Natalie Bubner, thanking us for our support of the school. She was also given a copy of the school's second kitchen garden cook book.
- ✚ David reminded members about the Northern Business Breakfast on Wednesday 28 August. The speaker is the Hon John Dawkins MLC who will speak about Building our economy and Securing our future.

After dinner Chairperson Elizabeth introduced our speaker for tonight, Natalie Bubner who is the Pastoral Care Worker at Elizabeth South Primary School and a Story Dogs Coordinator. She has previously worked as a veterinary nurse and social work with Lutheran Care. Natalie was also a RYLA awardee in 1979.

*Natalie had five job interviews before being asked to apply for the position of Pastoral Care Worker at Elizabeth South Primary School. She took over two weeks before Easter and her job is to support the staff, students and parents. The parents were the biggest challenge.*

*When she trained as a Story Dogs Coordinator she did her training in Perth and became the coordinator for Adelaide. Story Dogs has chapters in every state and territory except the Northern Territory.*

*Story Dogs is a program where suitable volunteer and dog teams are trained to go into schools and listen to children read. Many children who are struggling with reading have an easier time reading to a dog than to an adult. These children are chosen by their teachers to be in the program. The children are generally in Year 2 with some from Years 3 – 5 with the aim being to keep the children in the program for a year although sometimes it is longer.*

*The program is about reading and confidence rather than accuracy. The dogs (some of whom fall asleep and snore at times) are from a wide range of breeds both large and small chosen for their temperament. The dogs are also usually owned by the volunteers themselves although they can sometimes be dogs that the volunteer has known well over a period of six to twelve months.*

*Schools with a Story Dogs program run a Story Dogs Day fundraiser each year of which there are 296 schools involved nationwide.*

*A Dog Team (volunteer and dog) can be sponsored for \$500 a year or \$1500 for three years. A sponsorship for two teams for two years for \$2000 is also available. See <http://www.storydogs.org.au> for more information.*

President Eryn closed the meeting.



From Left: Natalie Bubner with her Story Dogs Miss Fergie and Secret with PP Elizabeth

DUTIES	2 SEPTEMBER	10 SEPTEMBER	16 SEPTEMBER	23 SEPTEMBER
	<b>2618</b>	<b>2619</b>	<b>2620</b>	
Dinner*	No	No	Yes	No
Chairperson	Committees and Board Meeting	Group 4 Intercity	Combined Meeting	No Meeting
Cashier	Lions Den 6:30pm	Meeting	With Rotary Club of Playford	
Visitors' Host	For 7pm start	Tea Tree Gully Golf Club	6:30pm for 7pm	
Regalia	Bring a plate to share	6:30pm for 7:00pm		
Speaker				

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

\* Dinner indicates whether we are having dinner at the Grenville Hub (Playford Civic Centre)

DIARY DATES:				
2019	DATE	EVENT	VENUE	TIME
TUESDAY	10 SEPTEMBER	Group 4 Intercity Meeting	Tea Tree Gully Golf Club	6:30pm for 6:45pm
WEDNESDAY	25 SEPTEMBER	Northern Business Breakfast	Parafield Gardens Community Club	7am to 8:30am
MONDAY	18 NOVEMBER	Guest Speaker: Cathy Booth – Umoja Orphanage	Playford Civic Centre	6:15pm for 6:45pm



## Who is celebrating in September?

**BIRTHDAYS:** - Theo Nitz 14<sup>th</sup>

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:** None

**INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES:** None

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

<http://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofElizabeth?ref=hl>

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

**If not attending please send apology to Eryn Halls – Club President**

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**to assist with catering for meal numbers**