



Hullo Rotarians

November is Rotary Foundation Month.

Let's consider what 'our' Foundation means to you and me and all those people throughout the world who benefit from the many projects undertaken globally by Rotarians.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. As such it serves and supports our aspiration to make the world a better place. How? Because The Rotary Foundation helps fund our humanitarian activities, from local service projects to global initiatives. Your club, or the district, can apply for grants from the Foundation to invest in projects and provide scholarships. The Foundation is a global leader in the campaign to [eradicate polio](#) and other campaigns. Our Foundation's work is entirely funded by voluntary [contributions](#) from Rotarians and friends of Rotary. No funding comes from our semi-annual Rotary subscriptions.

[District grants](#) fund small, short-term activities that address local and international community needs. Every Rotary district chooses which projects it will fund with these grants.

[Global grants](#) fund large international activities that have sustainable, measurable outcomes in one or more of our areas of focus. Rotary clubs create their own projects and carry them out. The Foundation assesses applications against criteria and guidelines.

Our efforts are directed in six areas of focus to enhance the local and global impact. Our most successful and sustainable projects and activities fall within the following areas:

- Promoting peace
- Fighting disease
- Providing clean water
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting education
- Growing local economies

The two global projects within the Foundation are the Peace Programs and Polio Plus.

Peace Programs provide either the two-year masters degree program at one of the six Rotary Peace Centres at a nominated university or the three-month certificate program at the Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok. Graduates are making a significant influence on governments and NGOs worldwide.

Polio Plus has immunised nearly 3 billion children globally. We are *this close* to fulfilling our promise of a polio-free world. But we cannot relax now! Your donation will be trebled by Bill Gates...so donate now!

Find out how – and learn more – at: <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation> or

contact: District TRF Chair PDG Geoff Simpson (0408 925 432) or TRF Promotion Sub-committee Chair PDG Peter McKerracher (0439 983 322)

Tickets selling fast for Convicts For A Cause 2014!

Last chance to snap up tickets for this Saturday's event at Fremantle Prison! Watch some of Perth's politicians get locked up, all for a good cause of course... There will be live entertainment on the night and plenty of surprises in store! Book your tickets now at www.convictsforacause.org.au

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION - November news

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Graduates from these programs are making a significant mark in encouraging peace through government programs and NGOs world-wide. Can you think of a suitable applicant for one of these outstanding opportunities?

And **Polio Plus**, started when Rotarians immunised 6 million children in the Philippines, has now immunised nearly 3 billion children globally, reducing this paralysing and sometimes fatal disease from around **1000** cases **daily** to just **415** cases last year. We are 'THIS CLOSE' to fulfilling our promise of a polio-free world; we cannot relax now! Your donation will be trebled by Bill Gates, so donate now!

The achievements of 'OUR Rotary Foundation' throughout its 97 year history are amazing. But none of this can happen without your support. Your donation can be tax-deductible if made out to The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust.

For further information, including how you can make a bequest or a major donation speak to District TRF Chair PDG Geoff Simpson (0408 925 432) or TRF Promotion Sub-committee Chair PDG Peter McKerracher (0439 983 322)

You can learn more about 'OUR Rotary Foundation' at the website:

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Catwalk For a Cause

Rotary Club of Perth Evenings (ROPE) Fundraiser

12 Stunning models, 10 brilliant designers, 2 sensational dance groups in one amazing 29th November black-tie evening of Charity at Perth Town hall <http://www.trybooking.com/FZJZ>

Ticket price includes sparkling wine on arrival canapés raffles and more. VIP includes exclusive seating and your own gift bag. Book now while tickets last.

Have you saved the date to be part of the 2020 Vision?

The District Conference will be held on 13th (evening) and 14th March 2015. It is shaping up to be a great event so save the date now. Registrations will open on August 1. IT will be great value with full registration costing \$195 which includes the Friday night reception, the Conference on Saturday and the District Gala Ball at the Hyatt on the Saturday night. Seating at the Conference will be limited so don't miss out! Watch our promotional video <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=splBAP5qr6o>