



CREATE HOPE in the WORLD



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The Rotary Club of Brisbane Centenary

15th November 2023

The Rotary Club of Brisbane Centenary Inc. meets on Wednesday at 6:30am for 6:45am at:

Kingsford Terrace, 260 Cliveden Avenue, Corinda.

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President Graham Osterfield

Graham's Gossip!

Hi All! We have had a busy few weeks and we will also have a busy few weeks leading up to Christmas and into the New Year.

Sue Maroney our District Governor Elect has asked enthusiastic Rotarians to step up and look at Leadership Roles within our District of 9620 in programs that they are passionate about and within our District 9620. There is a Variety of leadership opportunities available, if you would like to share their experiences please contact District 9620.

There is a variety of leadership opportunities available and suitable for a range of people. Listed below are committees which are part of the district programs:

Membership, Rotary Foundation, Learning and Development Services, Public Images, International Services, IT, Area Governor.

The main roll of an Area Governor is to support a cluster of clubs in their area. They act as a support for the District Governor.

This is a copy from part of DGE Sue Maroney's notes.

Care Kits for Kids is a not for profit Charity whose volunteers distribute free Care Kits Backpacks to Qld. Kids in Out-of- Home or Crisis- Care. There are currently over 12,000 children in out-of-home care in Qld alone.

Graham



This week

Jess Pugh MLA and A Belated World Polio Day

29th November

Our usual Social Week meeting at a venue tba

6th December

Tracey Tucker and our AGM

8th December

Our Christmas Party at: Kingsford Tce 5.30pm



DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2024

SEA WORLD RESORT

8TH TO 10TH MARCH 2024



The Board for 2022 – 23

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Graham Osterfield
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John Woodward

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Andrew Rodgers
John Woodward
Neville Blomeley
Nick Curry

That was the week that was or TW3

With the last week's guest speaker having to cancel because of a fire at one company's factories, last week's meeting turned into a board meeting with the minutes just distributed by Secretary Di.

Since November is Rotary Foundation Month, this issue of the bulletin basically celebrates Rotary Foundation Month.

Photo: Nick and Jan Curry at the Foundation Recognition Dinner at Tattersalls last week. PRIP Barry Rassin was the keynote speaker and proved to be an excellent choice with a huge number of real-life stories and anecdotes about the Foundation and about polio. The dinner was one of four this month (Auckland, Wellington and Sydney) which raised US\$2.2 million for the Foundation.



sample - a thumb-sized smudge of poop – taken from a child with acute flaccid paralysis (AFP), then delivered to the nearest laboratory that can test the sample specifically for poliovirus.

But nowhere in Yemen is there any such lab. So the long and arduous journey of any stool sample from a Yemeni child to a receiving lab can take up to several days – following an easterly route, to the neighbouring country of Oman.

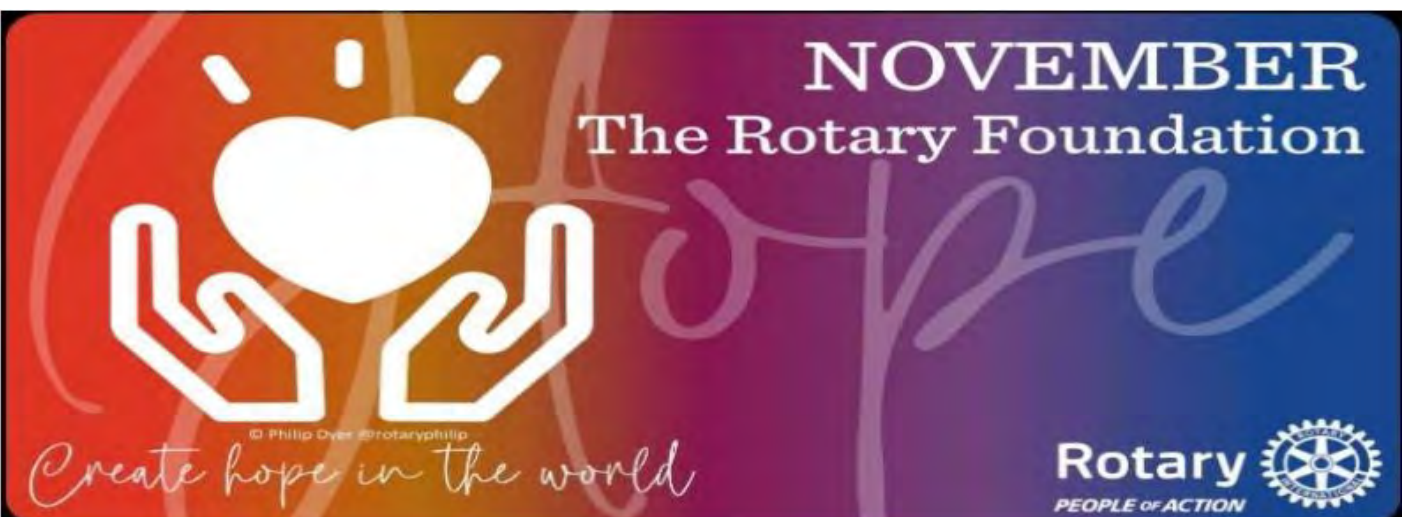
Stopping any polio outbreak starts with vaccine procurement, transport by airplanes and trucks, distribution involving complex logistics, and eventually the oral administration of the vaccine by drops in the mouths of every eligible child.

However, there is another, lesser known but equally important process that must also take place to halt transmission of the poliovirus. It begins with a humble stool

An explanation of how stool samples are transported over such a distance starts with why: monitoring children under 15 years of age for signs of AFP, which is the most common sign of poliovirus infection. The Global Polio Eradication Initiative has set a benchmark of at least three AFP cases per 100,000 children under 15 years of age, a standard that Yemen has consistently met, thanks to the effectiveness of its surveillance system. This achievement is all the more remarkable considering that Yemen is entering its ninth year of internal conflict, with resulting population displacements, widespread food and fuel shortages, and a devastated health system (in which only 46% of hospitals and health facilities are only partially functioning or completely out of service).

The second critical area of effective AFP surveillance is around the adequacy of stool samples – meaning the number of samples collected from children with AFP that reach the lab in appropriate condition for testing. If samples are in good condition, they can be tested for poliovirus and generate an accurate result, which enables Yemen's polio programme to detect and respond to the circulation of poliovirus, ultimately preventing more children from becoming infected.

Country or territory	Wild virus type 1 confirmed cases								
	Full year total						01 Jan-14 Nov ²		Date of n recent c
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2022	2023	
Pakistan	8	12	147	84	1	20	20	5	15-Oct
Afghanistan	14	21	29	56	4	2	2	6	04-Sep
Mozambique	0	0	0	0	0	8	8	0	10-Aug
Malawi	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	19-Nov
Iran	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	NA
Total (Type 1)	22	33	176	140	6	30	30	11	
Tot. in endemic countries	22	33	176	140	5	22	22	11	
Tot. in non-end countries	0	0	0	0	1	8	8	0	
No. of countries (infected)	2	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	
No. of countries (endemic)	2	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	
Total Female	7	18	72	59	2	10	10	4	
Total Male	15	15	104	81	4	20	20	7	



Jack Sim AKA Mr Toilet!

This article appeared in a recent WASRAG newsletter but, as it happens, I had actually seen him twice in Australia. Some of you in the club may also have seen or heard of him.....an interesting man!

Jack Sim is globally renowned as "Mr Toilet". Jack grew up in a slum in Singapore and although he did not have a university degree, this did not stop him from starting a series of profitable businesses. He retired from those businesses at the age of forty to dedicate himself to humanitarian causes.

On learning that 2.6 billion people lacked proper sanitation, in 2001 he founded the World Toilet Organization. In doing so he transformed the taboo of Toilets and Sanitation into a media darling - mobilizing politicians, governments, celebrities and funds to give Sanitation its own agenda on the global stage. Jack graduated at the age of fifty-six with a Masters in Public Policy in Singapore and later from Singularity University in the United States of America.



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	Today (a while ago)!
1497	Portuguese navigator Vasco da Gama rounds Cape of Good Hope on way to first voyage from Europe to reach India
1574	Discovery of uninhabited Juan Fernández Islands off Chile by Spanish sailor Juan Fernández - later famous home of marooned sailor Alexander Selkirk (inspired Robinson Crusoe story)
1886	Victoria Street Cable Tram route begins in Melbourne
1934	"Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town" 1st heard on Eddie Cantor's show
1955	RCA Records make its best investment, paying \$35,000 to Sun Records for Elvis Presley's contract
1961	Producers Albert R. Broccoli and Harry Saltzman announce expensive publicity campaign to make Sean Connery (James Bond) a star
1963	President John F. Kennedy assassinated by Lee Harvey Oswald while riding in an open-topped motorcade in Dallas, Texas
1967	BBC unofficially bans "I Am the Walrus" by Beatles, due to the suggestive lyric "Boy, you've been a naughty girl you let your knickers down."
2017	Leaning Tower of Pisa's tilt reduced by 4 cm in 20 year project to stabilise it



Support The Foundation on Giving Tuesday

Giving Tuesday, a global day of generosity, is an opportunity to make a big impact with a gift of any size supporting projects you're passionate about.

Our Foundation helps Rotary members advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty.

SMILE...

An old cowboy walks into a barbershop for a shave and a haircut.

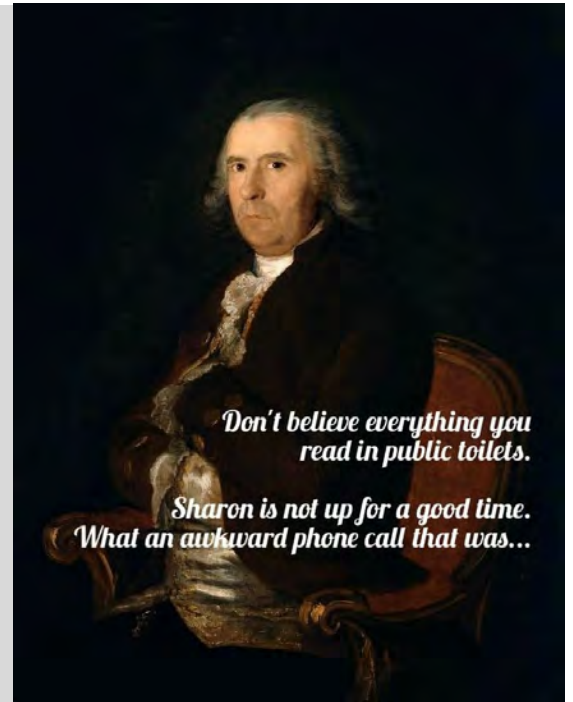
He tells the barber he can't get all his whiskers off because his cheeks are wrinkled from age.

The barber gets a little wooden ball from a cup on the shelf and tells the old cowboy to put it inside his cheek to spread out the skin.

When he's finished, the old cowboy tells the barber that was the cleanest shave he'd had in years, but he wanted to know what would have happened if he had accidentally swallowed that little ball.

The barber replied,

"Just bring it back in a couple of days like everyone else!"



If I Was A Waiter
I Would Plant Fake
Engagement Rings In Every
Girls Champagne Glass
Just To See The Look
Of Pure Panic
On The Faces Of Their
Dates



Camping: where you spend a small fortune to live like a homeless person.

Happy Birthday to:

Jenny Blomeley	12 November
Lyndell Gebert	29 November
Charlie Woodward	1 November



The 4-way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Duty	22 November	6 December
Chair	Nev Blomeley	Nick Curry
Duty Officer	Gerry Gebert	Andrew Rodgers
Fellowship Officer	Bob Anderson	Nev Blomeley
Rotary talk	Andrew Rodgers	Dianne Scotte