

Welcome guests, friends and members of Magill Sunrise.

Wow what a year we have had! As you can see from the photos, it has been action packed and a lot of fun. 'Be a gift to the world' was this year's Rotary International theme.

I would like to tell you a little about some of our members over the last 12 months. If I call out your name, please stand up and stay standing until the end of my speech.

John Cappocia

John has been a member of our club since 2008, and together with his sons Stephan and Michael and wife Connie have helped out at many of the club events. Sadly, due to other commitments John will be retiring from the club at the end of the year. We thank him for all his contributions to the club.

Wayne Abbott

Charter member Wayne, has been a strong and dedicated member of Magill Sunrise. He epitomises the heart and soul of a Rotary Club and we were thrilled to award him a Paul Harris Fellow at the club's 20th birthday last month. Wayne recently relocated to Victor Harbor, with his wife Christine and will be transferring to the Victor Club as of the new Rotary Year. We wish them both lots of happiness in the next chapter of their life and continued contact through their Honorary membership of our club.

Colin Hill

Colin and Pauline have the right idea and thawing out in Queensland at the moment! Colin, as Immediate Past President has helped support me over the last 12 months and has continued to help with the club's administration including development of the new bylaws for the club. He continues to bring out the best in club members.

Shirley Roberts

Over the years Shirley has been involved with many different aspects of Rotary, and even though her and Kevin relocated to McLaren Vale last year, she still continues to be involved with the club including marshalling at the Tour Down Under in January. She even knitted the outfit for Minnie, the club mascot this year- thanks Shirley!

Pauline Hill

I have learnt a lot about the resistance faced by women in Rotary in earlier years, from Pauline whilst organising the 20th birthday celebrations. Pauline managed to organise most of the charter members and past presidents to attend the birthday party held at the Maylands Hotel.

Mohammed Farooque

The club was excited to welcome Mohammed back as a member this year and has helped out at the market and Athelstone Kindy Gym BBQ. He is currently on his travels and due to be back next week.

John Kennedy

John continues to enhance the relationship the club has with Hectorville Sports Club, where members meet most Tuesday mornings. This year the club have donated some money to help upgrade their kitchen appliances. John also keeps the club updated on Campbelltown Council events.

Greg Schuetze

This year under the new board structure Greg has been the club's Progression Director, encompassing membership and club visibility. This year also saw the introduction of monthly club assemblies, to engage members with discussion of relevant events going on. Greg with his bubbly personality continues to develop the Magill Sunrise Market with Ian Coat, and keeps the stall holders happy with expertly cooked bacon and egg sarnies. Thank you Greg.

Chris Gascoine

Chris has had a busy year of walking and house renovations! Susan, Chris' wife set off on a personal challenge of walking from Renmark to Adelaide in April this year, raising valuable funds and awareness about cystic fibrosis. An outstanding effort from both parties. The club had the pleasure in welcoming them both across the finish line in Adelaide with a sausage sizzle, as well as supporting them along the way. As part of her training, Susan and I enjoyed joining the Rotary Club of Kent Town in the Walk a Mile in My Boots for Hutt Street- in fact I think the event must be coming up again soon. Chris is the club's president nominee for the new Rotary Year, and what a fantastic president he will make.

Kirsty Stark

Kirsty has been in my mind as president elect all year, and I completely understand she is a very busy woman on the verge of making it big in her career, so thank you Kirsty for taking up the baton as part of a tag team for the next Rotary Year. Kirsty continues to add charisma to Magill Sunrise, and single handily puts together the short film list for the club's annual Reel Event. The beneficiaries of the event this year were local youth and the homeless. Kirsty also helped develop the club's new website which was launched last year, won the District Award for Best Website this year.

Lindsay Davis

Over the year Lindsay has been the person I have called with last minute urgencies, so thank you for being on the end of the phone! Lindsay continues to organise the AFL footy competition with proceeds going to the Rotary Foundation, which tops up the contributions made from members and guest speaker gifts.

Graham Holcroft

Graham is one of the pillars of Magill Sunrise, always offering his manpower whenever needed. He has helped support Sue with the club's new venture of Bunnings BBQ's as well as organising the sale of Entertainment books. Thanks Graham for your many years of support in the club.

Bronwyn Hyder

Bron has rediscovered a lot of Magill Sunrise relics this year as her and Brett pack up their house and business ready to relocate to Victor Harbor. As always Bron brings fresh ideas to the club and supports projects where ever she can. We are still waiting to see if you find all your lost photos Bron.....

Licaria Scheepers

Even whilst being on six months leave of absence Licaria has still managed to organise some great fellowship events this year including: a weekend at Sellick's, dinner at Parliament House with Vincent Tarzia, Christmas in Nightingale Park, New Year's drinks at my house, and Queen's birthday lunch at the Abbott's new house. Thank you Licaria for the hugs and beautiful smiles.

Siony Gardiner

Siony, Siony, Siony. This lady is superwomen! She works tirelessly in the background, quietly building up relationships with our schools, Mary MacKillop College and Norwood Morialta High School as well as contributing to Campbelltown's Youth Advisory Committee. This year our club has sponsored: 2 RYLA attendees, 2 RYPEN attendees, 1 RAIC attendee, 2 awards at Mary MacKillop College, 2 awards at Norwood Morialta High School, and will be co-hosting a long term youth exchange student as of July with the Rotary Club of Norwood. Magill Sunrise prides itself in supporting the youth, through Rotary programs and in the wider community. Thank you Siony for your commitment to youth.

Julie Carman

Back twelve months ago, Julie helped coordinate a joint project with Zonta Adelaide Torrens Club, to help fund and put together birthing kits to be sent overseas. Another new project the club was involved with this year, was the New Born Baby Books, which was a District initiative to help celebrate Rotary's 111th birthday.

Ian Coat

There are not enough words to thank Ian for the extraordinary job he has done as secretary this year. It is very true when they say a president's life is made easier when there is a great secretary at their side. On top of this Ian co-ordinates the monthly market, and has been a big part in developing the strategic plan for the next three years. Thank you so much Ian. It has been fun getting to know you and Suzette better, especially sharing a house boat in Renmark at District assembly.

Carol McKenzie

Carol has played a key role in the management of the club for the last three years and I am sure she is looking forward to taking a break next year. As well as being treasurer, Carol continues to be involved with club projects. Thank you Carol for your support over the last 12 months.

Mark Thompson

Sergeant Mark and his quiz questions have kept us entertained over the last 12 months, well him at least! Thank you for sense of humor Mark!! Together with his sub-editor Janine, Mark produces our weekly bulletin, which is no small task. So here is a small thank you for Janine.....

Ian Carman

The last 12 months have been an important time for climate change, and Ian continues to speak at other Rotary Clubs about the importance of Climate Change. The energy of Ian never ceases to amaze me. He is always willing to help set up the market, and come back to help pack up. Ian also continues his

support of Youth Opportunities, and together with Siony attended the Youth Opportunities graduation this year.

Sue Hector

Sensational Sue. Being Community Director this year, Sue has continued to develop all service projects and continuing to support projects locally and internationally. As I mentioned before a big part of this has been fundraising through Bunnings BBQ's, which has taken some organisation and hard work. Thank you Sue for all you do for the club.

I would like to thank each and everyone of you, as well as our Honorary members and friends for being such tremendous gifts to the world. Thank you!