The Rotary Club of Kidman Park Bulletin

Meetings: 6.30 pm each Tuesday at Westward Ho Golf Club, Military Road, West Beach

Rotary Kidman Park

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THE MAGIC OF ROTARY
Rotary

Meeting No: 2025
Tuesday 27th May 2025

Guest Speaker:
Martin Burke

Topic:
Churchill Scholarship

Meeting Duties

Furniture: Kevin Tiggemann
David Simpson

Attendance: Shirley Roberts

Welcome: David Taylor

Chairperson: Ron Harris

Guest Speaker intro:
Kel Burke

Joker Draw: Tom Bunnik

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Bulletin Editor (Temporary - Whilst Paul is away)

Wayne Comley - Email: waynecomley@icloud.com

Club News:

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Summary of Guest Speaker Matt Nelson Presentation

Our Speaker, Matt Nelson, Senior Marine Scientist from EPA

We were extremely fortunate to have Matt Nelson, as Guest Speaker last Tuesday.
We all received a clear explanation of the size and gravity of the issue.
Also, as a result we had an excellent number of visitors (of 8) and overall attendees were 40.
Well done to our Stuart Ghent for sourcing Matt. "Harmful Algal Bloom on our local Beaches" is
at a critical and relevant stage RIGHT NOW. Our visitors were very positive about the night.
Matt will be in the Port River in his goggles and wetsuit for the next 3 days taking samples.
A key speaker at a key time. Some of Matt's feedback on his visit to KPR is below.

OFFICIAL

Hi KPR,

Yes, apologies for ducking out. I did look for you and the President to say thanks for having me (and for the amazing lamb shank, compliments to the chef!).

It's always good to have genuine interest and discussion around events like this, all the questions were on point and relevant.

Thanks again for having me.

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All the best

Matt

Matthew Nelson (BSc Hons.) (he/him)

Senior Scientific Officer (Marine)

Water Science Branch | Science Services, Climate Change and Programs

Environment Protection Authority



As best as this subject can be summarised:

Current Algal Bloom Crisis in South Australian Seawaters: Implications for Marine Life and Human Intervention

South Australia is currently grappling with a significant algal bloom crisis in its seawaters, a situation that poses critical threats to marine ecosystems and biodiversity. Algal blooms, particularly harmful types, have surged in frequency and intensity, causing toxic conditions detrimental to aquatic life. The inability of humans to effectively halt the spread of these blooms raises alarm and calls for urgent attention and action.

Algal blooms occur when there is an abnormal increase in the population of algae in marine environments, often exacerbated by the over-enrichment of nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus. In South Australia, the conditions for these blooms have been increasingly favourable due to agricultural runoff, urban discharge, and climate change factors that promote warmer water temperatures. Nutrient-rich runoff from farms and urban areas feeds these blooms, facilitating rapid growth that can overwhelm local ecosystems.

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Toxic Effects on Marine Life

The current algal blooms in South Australian waters are characterised by species that produce harmful toxins. These toxins can have devastating effects on marine life. Fish, shellfish, and other marine organisms are particularly vulnerable. Some key impacts include:

1. Fish Mortality: Toxic algal blooms can lead to significant fish kills. Fish exposed to toxins may suffer from neurological impairments, respiratory issues, and ultimately death. Species such as snapper, mullet, and flathead, vital to local fisheries, have been adversely affected, leading to declines in fish populations.

2. Shellfish Poisoning: Shellfish filter feed on phytoplankton (including harmful algae) and can accumulate toxins in their tissues. When consumed by humans or marine mammals, these toxins can cause severe health issues. Incidents of shellfish poisoning have risen, posing risks not only to marine fauna but also to local communities reliant on shellfish for food and income.

3. Ecosystem Disruption: The proliferation of toxic algae disrupts the balance of marine ecosystems. This includes the depletion of oxygen in the water as algal blooms die off and decompose, leading to hypoxic conditions detrimental to fish and other marine life. Furthermore, the loss of various species can have cascading effects, altering food webs and impacting biodiversity.

Human Challenges in Halting the Spread

Despite the recognition of the problem, humans have struggled to control and mitigate the spread of algal blooms in South Australia. There are several reasons for this:

1. Nutrient Management Difficulties: Addressing the primary cause—excess nutrient runoff—is complex. Agricultural practices are often entrenched, and changes can be economically and politically challenging to implement. Farmers may resist altering their methods due to costs or production pressures, contributing to continued nutrient loading into marine environments.

2. Impact of Climate Change: Climate change continues to play a significant role in exacerbating algal bloom conditions. Warmer sea temperatures, altered rainfall patterns, and increased storm intensity can lead to greater nutrient runoff and create environments conducive to algal growth. Conversely, still seas, little wind, increased water temperatures and no storm activity appear to haver led to this

Algal Bloom. This complicates the situation, as mitigation strategies often lag behind the pace of environmental change.

3. Lack of Public Awareness and Engagement: While some communities are aware of the issues associated with algal blooms, broader public understanding and engagement remain insufficient. The complexities surrounding nutrient management and marine health need to be communicated effectively to inspire collective action for change.

Addressing the current algal bloom crisis in South Australia requires a multi-faceted approach:

1. Enhanced Monitoring: Regular monitoring of water quality and nutrient levels is essential to detect blooms early and understand their dynamics. The establishment of comprehensive datasets will enable better forecasting and response planning.

2. Nutrient Reduction Strategies: Implementing best management practices in agriculture to reduce nutrient runoff can help. This includes promoting the use of cover crops, targeted fertilizer application, and investing in wetlands and buffer zones to filter runoff before it reaches the sea.

3. Public Education Campaigns: Increasing public awareness about the causes and effects of algal blooms, along with encouraging responsible practices in agriculture and urban settings, is crucial. Community engagement can foster a culture of stewardship toward local waterways.

4. Legislative Support: Government policies that enforce stricter regulations on nutrient discharges and incentivise sustainable practices are vital. Collaboration between governmental, non-governmental, and community organisations can also amplify efforts.

Conclusion

The ongoing algal bloom crisis in South Australian seawaters is a grave concern with significant implications for marine life and human activities. Addressing this challenge requires immediate action and collaborative efforts to mitigate the adverse effects of these blooms. By adopting effective nutrient management practices, enhancing public awareness, and implementing supportive legislation, there is potential to restore balance to these vital marine ecosystems and protect the livelihoods dependent on them. And hope that mother nature helps restore the balance.

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A foam build up on Waitpinga Beach in March 2025 that was later linked to the algal bloom.

Quotes

"It is not far off the size of Kangaroo Island and in some parts it's as deep as 20 metres. "We're talking about a very large algal bloom with a significant impact on marine life."

Environment Minister Susan Close said the outbreak of Karenia mikimotoi, a type of micro-algae linked to the deaths of countless marine animals, has grown to an unprecedented scale.

"It is a larger bloom than we have ever seen before," Ms Close said.

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Club News:

Members

Please refer to attached Notice re a Special General meeting to be held 3rd June.

Regards
Wayne Comley
Secretary / Administration Committee Chair

Date: 21st May 2025

Notice of **Special General Meeting**
of the Rotary Club of Kidman Park
to be held on **3rd June 2025** at 6.30 pm

Items for discussion / resolution:

- Confirmation of Committee positions
- Election to fill vacant positions

Notice provided by Wayne Comley Secretary
Email: waynecomley@icloud.com

On behalf of incoming Co-Presidents Barbara Wheatcroft & Rob Hughes

Club News:

Fellowship Event - Guess who's coming to Dinner

Date: Saturday 14th June **Time : 6.30 pm**

Cost: $30.00 per head

Please bring your own drinks.

The name of your Host will be given to you just prior to the event (in a sealed envelope)

To enhance the mystery please don't reveal your host to any others prior to the evening

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From President Elect Rob Hughes

1. The Changeover is on Tuesday 1st July

   Time: 6 - 6:30 at Westward Ho Golf Club

   Cost: $40 per person

2. There a a few vacancies fro the incoming Board that need to be filled. Please give it some thought. It's not that onerous and is fun.

3. KPK's involvement with the 2H Project has been completed with our purchase of maternal ultrasonic equipment, further midwives trained and the Ultrasonic equipment being put into daily use. Mother and baby positive birth outcomes are strongly enhanced from our donation.

District News:

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On behalf of The Rotary Club of Somerton Park



District & R.I. News:

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Rotary South Pacific

The Rotary South Pacific Regional Council is pleased to announce that the Rotary South Pacific Social Channels are officially up and running.

Please check us out at:

- Facebook– https://www.facebook.com/RotarySouthPac
- Instagram – https://www.instagram.com/rotarysouthpacific/
- LinkedIn - https://www.linkedin.com/company/rotary-south-pacific/about/

As we grow our platforms and the content, we encourage you to follow the pages and share them with your Rotary and local community connections.

Please keep in mind we highly encourage Rotary members to jump on board with these new platforms and engage with them, and our core objective is to communicate to an external audience that's new to Rotary. We want to educate and inspire communities to want to learn more, get involved and join Rotary. We aim for our communication to always be respectful and inclusive and use relevant terminology a non-Rotary member will understand.

Club News *(lighter side)*:

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The Joker Draw

Ed King had the winning ticket & collected $40.00 but didn't select the Joker card

The JACKPOT is $1761





"What it really comes down to is a question of values . . . Is a delicious, succulent turkey, baked to perfection, worth a few whacks on the nose with a newspaper?"





A recurring problem in van Gogh's later years.



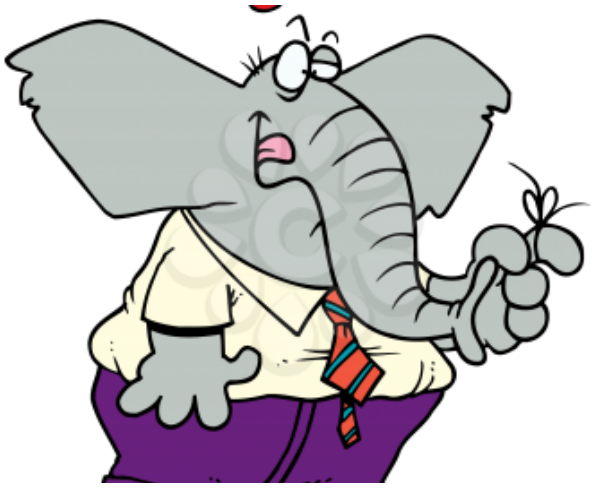
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Fellowship Events

SAVE THE DATES

Put them in your Diary



Event: **Guess who's Coming to Dinner**

When: **Saturday 14th June**

Note: Hosts required , please see Chris Hughes

Event: **KPR Changerover**

When: **Tuesday 1st June**

Time: 6 - 6:30

Cost: $40 per person

Event: **Day Trip by Coach - "Secrets I have Found"**

When: **Sunday 12th October**

Note: Additional details to be advised closer to date - Chris Branson

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Event: **KPR Christmas Function -**

When: **Sunday 14th December**

Where: **Glenelg Golf club**

Note: Additional details to be advised closer to date - Chris Branson

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Upcoming Events & Guest Speakers

Tuesday 27th May

Guest Speaker: **Martin Burke**

Topic: Churchill Scholarship

Tuesday 3rd June

Guest Speaker: **Stephanie Malan**

Topic: The Village Company

Saturday 7th June **BUNNINGS BBQ** ***Put the date in your Diary***

Tuesday 10th June

Guest Speaker: **Alice McCleary.**

Topic: Garden Rescue

Sunday 19th October **Walkathon for Australian Rotary Health**

Put the date in your Diary

Meals On Wheels Roster:

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Meals on Wheels Contact
Grace Giles
Mobile: 0407 603 637

Charles Sturt Meals on Wheels is situated at the rear of

Festival Function Centre,
292 Findon Rd, Findon
Please be there by 10.50 AM

Wednesday Roster

21st May	Peter Brown
28th May	Chris Hughes
4th June	Tom Bunnik
11th June	Ed King
18th June	David Simpson
25th June	Stuart Ghent

Friday Roster

23rd May	Paul Denley
30th May	Robert Ryan
6th June	Rose Willington
13th June	Frank Bunnik
20th June	Bob Hudson
27th June	Jenny Harris

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delivering
Meals on Wheels

Notes:

- If for some reason you are unable to fulfill your roster please arrange to swap with another Member. Please do not contact the Bulletin Editor. It is not the Bulletin Editor's job to find a replacement.
- Dale Kentish is co-ordinating the Meals on Wheels Roster (replacing Bob Hudson)
- If you have a breakdown or accident the MOW volunteer will call a taxi and will continue on the remainder of the round and return to the kitchen afterwards. You are left to deal with your vehicle issues as you see fit.

Meeting Duty Rosters:

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May 27th	June 3rd	June 10th	June 10th
Furniture Kevin Tiggemann David Simpson	Furniture Wayne Comley Chris Hughes	Furniture Kel Burke Stuart Ghent	Furniture John Christo Peter Brown
Attendance Shirley Roberts	Attendance Shirley Roberts	Attendance Shirley Roberts	Attendance Shirley Roberts
Welcome David Taylor	Welcome Ian Roberts	Welcome Ed King	Welcome Wayne Comley
Chairperson Ron Harris	Chairperson Ron Harris	Chairperson Ron Harris	Chairperson Ron Harris
Guest Speaker Intro Kel Burke	Guest Speaker Intro Kel Burke	Guest Speaker Intro David Simpson	Guest Speaker Intro Kevin Tiggemann
Joker Draw Tom Bunnik	Joker Draw Kevin Mullins	Joker Draw Peter Brown	Joker Draw Paul Denley

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Member's Birthdays:
Mario Mc Donagh

Partner's Birthdays:
Anne Simpson 24th May

Wedding Anniversaries:
Wayne & Annie Comley 27th May

Membership Anniversaries
Kevin Tiggemann 27th May
Robert Ryan 1st June

BookMart Roster:

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DAY	DATE	TIME	MEMBERS	VOLUNTEERS
Saturday	24th May	10:00 - 12:30	Karen Feind, Kel Burke	Darlene Green, Michell N, Lorraine Paroissien, Lily Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00	Rose Willington, Dale Kentish	
Monday	26th May	10:00 - 12:30	Grant Price	Dawn Frank, Jeannie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Chris Frensch
Tuesday	27th May	10:00 - 12:30		Don & Lee McCulloch, Clive Turner
		12:30 - 03:00	Steve Redden	Naomi Wells
Thursday	29th May	10:00 - 12:30	Robert Ryan, Kevin Mullins, Chris Weyland	
		12:30 - 03:00	Paul Denley	Christine Iovino, Barbara Kendrick
Saturday	31st May	10:00 - 12:30	Liz Foote, Megan Kerr	Darlene Green, Michelle N, Lily Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00	Janet Johnson	Naomi Wells
Monday	2nd June	10:00 - 12:30	Shirley Roberts, Anne Branson	Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Yvonne Dohal
Tuesday	3rd June	10:00 - 12:30	Chris Hughes, Paul Denley	
		12:30 - 03:00	Rose Willington	Chris Frensch
Thursday	5th June	10:00 - 12:30	Bob Hudson, Jenny Filsell	Barbara Kendrick
		12:30 - 03:00	Warren Hobbs	Christine Iovino
Saturday	7th June	10:00 - 12:30	Janet Johnson, Jenny Harris	Darlene Green, Michelle N, Lorraine Paroissien, Lily Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00	Kevin Tiggemann, David Taylor	
Monday	9th June	10:00 - 12:30	Steve Redden	Chris Turner, Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Ann Nagy, Leah Roberts, Ros Jones
Tuesday	10th June	10:00 - 12:30	Rob Hughes	Leonie Brunckhorst
		12:30 - 03:00	John Jackson	Clive Turner, Alison Duggan
Thursday	12th June	10:00 - 12:30	Jenny Harris	Ruth Shakes, Lynn Allpress, Barbara Kendrick
		12:30 - 03:00		Don & Lee McCulloch, Christine Iovino

Members Committee Allocation:

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Members Committee allocation 2024 - 2025

Name		Committee		Name		Committee
Wayne	**Comley**	**Administration**		Jenny	**Harris**	**Bookmart**
Robert	**Ryan**	**Administration**		Rose	**Willington**	**Bookmart**
Rob	**Chambers**	**Administration**		Liz	**Foote**	**Bookmart**
Karen	**Feind**	**Administration**		Janet	**Johnson**	**Bookmart**
Ron	**Harris**	**Administration**				
Peter	**Murton**	**Administration**		Chris	**Hughes**	**Fellowship**
Lauren	**Paradise**	**Admin** (Facebook)		Kel	**Burke**	**Fellowship**
				Peter	**Brown**	**Fellowship**
Warren	**Hobbs**	**Community**		Peter	**Farquhar**	**Fellowship**
Anne	**Branson**	**Community**		Ian	**Roberts**	**Fellowship**
Chris	**Branson**	**Community**		Shirley	**Roberts**	**Fellowship**
Dale	**Kentish**	**Community**		Kevin	**Roberts**	**Fellowship**
Stuart	**Ghent**	**Community**		David	**Simpson**	**Fellowship**
Kevin	**Mullins**	**Community**				
Barbara	**Wheatcroft**	**Community**		Kevin	**Tiggemann**	**Membership**
Chris	**Weyland**	**Community**		Jennifer	**Filsell**	**Membership**
Shiralee	**Wood**	**Community**		Mario	**McDonagh**	**Membership**
				David	**Taylor**	**Membership**
				Phil	**Ransome**	**Membership**
Rob	**Hughes**	**International**				
Frank	**Bunnik**	**International**		Steve	**Redden**	**Vocational/Youth**
Tom	**Bunnik**	**International**		John	**Christo**	**Vocational/Youth**
Paul	**Denley**	**International**		Bob	**Hudson**	**Vocational/Youth**
Ed	**King**	**International**		Grant	**Price**	**Vocational/Youth**
Peter	**Johnson**	**International**		Rob	**Stocker**	**Vocational/Youth**
Helen	**Kite**	**International**				
Brian	**Tucker**	**International**				