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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Rotary

Year 2025/26

Guest Speaker, Rod Rod



Meeting No: 2030

Tuesday 1st July 2025

Changeover

Apologies & Guests: Please advise Shirley Roberts
Mobile 0457 574 526
Email: ozzieallover@hotmail.com
by 12.00 Noon Monday.

KPRC Facebook Moderator: Karen Feind
www.facebook.com/KidmanParkRotaryClub

Meeting Duties

Furniture: Stuart Ghent
Paul Denley

Attendance: Frank Bunnik

Welcome: Rose Willington

Chairperson: Ron Harris

Guest Speaker intro:
David Simpson

Joker Draw: Wayne Comley

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Club News:



Rotarian David Simpson with Guest Speaker, Rod Barton

Rod Barton, spoke on his time Working for Australia's Defence Intelligence Organisation. Rod is a former Director of Strategic Technology in Australia's Defence Intelligence Organisation. His intelligence career spanned over 30 years with postings to London, Bahrain, Baghdad, New York and Mogadishu. From time to time between 1991 to 2003, he also worked with United Nations as a principal UN weapons inspector specialising in chemical and biological warfare. After the 2003 Iraq War he became a special advisor to the CIA in the futile hunt for the so-called missing Iraqi Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Rod is the author of *The Weapons Detective: The Inside Story of Australia's Top Weapons Inspector* (Black Inc 2006) and *The Life of a Spy* (Black Inc 2021).

He spoke primarily about his second book, his memoir My Life as a Spy: Investigations into Terrorism, Weapons of Mass Destruction, and Rogue States is a gripping account of one man's journey from Australian scientist to high-stakes intelligence operative. The book details Barton's decades-long career in the shadows, working for the Australian government, the United Nations, and various international arms inspection bodies. Though he never saw himself as James Bond, Barton's story reads with the tension and intrigue of a political thriller—made all the more compelling because it's true.

Barton began his professional life as a microbiologist, but his career took a sharp turn in the late 1970s when he joined the Australian Defence Intelligence Organisation (DIO). There, he became an expert in biological and chemical

weapons—knowledge that would place him at the heart of some of the most controversial intelligence operations of the modern era.

One of Barton's key roles was as a weapons inspector in Iraq during the 1990s and early 2000s. Working with the United Nations Special Commission (UNSCOM), he was part of the team tasked with verifying the dismantling of Saddam Hussein's weapons of mass destruction (WMDs). His firsthand experiences in Iraq are some of the most compelling parts of the book, revealing the frustration and danger of dealing with both a deceptive Iraqi regime and the political agendas of Western powers.

Perhaps the most dramatic period of Barton's career came in the lead-up to the 2003 Iraq War. As pressure mounted from the U.S. and its allies to justify military action, Barton became increasingly disturbed by the manipulation of intelligence. He saw how evidence—or the lack of it—was twisted to fit a predetermined narrative. In particular, he criticises the infamous claim that Iraq could deploy WMDs within 45 minutes, a statement that helped justify the war but which Barton knew was unsupported.

Barton was part of the Iraq Survey Group after the invasion, charged with finding the supposed stockpiles of WMDs. When they found none, he expected governments to acknowledge the failure. Instead, he witnessed a cover-up of sorts, as political leaders refused to admit they had misled the public. This ethical dilemma pushed Barton to speak out publicly, even at the cost of his career. His testimony to Australian and British inquiries into the war made him both a whistleblower and a thorn in the side of powerful interests.

Beyond Iraq, Barton also touches on broader issues of intelligence gathering, international law, and the moral complexity of national security. His book offers rare insight into how intelligence is used—and misused—by governments, and what happens when facts are sacrificed for political ends.

My Life as a Spy is not just a memoir; it's a call for integrity in public service and a warning about the consequences of politicising intelligence. Barton's honesty, courage, and refusal to stay silent give the book its emotional power, making it essential reading for anyone interested in the murky world of espionage and global security.

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District News:

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District Governor Elect

Rajeev Kamineni

Email: dg25-26@rotary9510.org

Passionate about Movies and Education, fortunate to work in both the industries. Rajeev Kamineni started his working career in a bookstore three decades ago and then moved onto area sales manager, director, executive director, chief officer, lecturer, and head of program positions. He is a multiple award-winning lecturer with working stints in Australia, Dubai, Japan, India, Singapore and South Africa. Currently Academic Director, and teaching management for University of Adelaide's students.

Rajeev is an active Rotarian for many years, commenced his Rotary journey many decades ago as an Annette in India and was member of Rotary Club of Coimbatore Metropolis and Rotary Club of Madras in India before joining the Rotary Club of Adelaide, South Australia in 2017 and serving as its 100th President in 2022-23.

Priya, Rajeev and their daughter Ahalya, live in Tranmere, Adelaide.

When he was 7 years old, Rajeev was introduced to Rotary by his dad and this was the commencement of his journey to serve above self. One of the life changing incidents in Rajeev's life was spending some time with Mother Teresa in 1995 which strongly influenced his thinking about selfless service for a better world.

District News:

Some fun facts about Rajeev: Has a bachelor's degree, three master's degrees and a PhD, was actively involved in financing 35 movies and producing 14 movies in the Indian movie industry. With a lifelong passion for cinema, Rajeev has authored a book on Indian cinema published by Routledge, UK. He was also actively involved as an organiser and executive committee member of the Chennai International Film Festival (CIFF). Cricket and wild life conservation, especially saving the mountain gorillas, are Rajeev's other passions.

District 9510 History

DISTRICT 9510 GEOGRAPHICALLY

District 9510 embraces most of South Australia, portions of New South Wales, the Victorian Sunraysia area including Robinvale-Euston and half of the Northern Territory. It covers 1,800,000 square kilometres and stretches from the Southern Ocean, Kangaroo Island and Adelaide in the south to beyond Alice Springs in the north, extending to the Western Australia/South Australia border in the west.

District 9510 areas have a population of approximately 1.7 million. Currently there are approximately 2250 Rotarians in 93 Clubs. Most of the population live in a narrow coastal belt including near the Capital city, Adelaide (population 1.3 million). The economy of South Australia is centred on industry, commerce, sheep, wheat, cattle, wine, fruit, fishing and tourism. The southern half of the Northern Territory relies on tourism and cattle. Victoria and New South Wales have varied industries including agriculture, horticulture, mining and tourism.

The District is predominantly semi-arid or arid with spectacular scenery - Ayers Rock (Uluru), wild flowers in profusion after rains, an abundance of native animals and birds, and extensive saltbush grazing lands. The population is sparse and tourism is important to the District's economy.

District News:

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District 9510 is the home of the longest straight section of rail line in the world (478 km) and contains the largest lead smelter in the world. The opal fields of Coober Pedy produce some of the world's best opals. The great white shark roams South Australia's waters and the tuna and lobster industries are an important export commodity.

Rotary began in Chicago (USA) in 1905, when founder Paul Harris met with three other businessmen, and gradually spread nationally; and then internationally from 1910. The intervention of World War 1 delayed the spread of Rotary to many parts of the world, including Australia.

Rotary in South Australia started with the formation of the Rotary Club of Adelaide on 4 February, 1924.

Australia's first Rotary Clubs were formed in 1921 (Melbourne in April & Sydney in May). By 1927 there were 17 Rotary Clubs across Australia: Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Newcastle, Adelaide, Hobart, Launceston, Bendigo, Geelong, Ballarat, Rockhampton, Parramatta, Mackay, Townsville, Perth, Wollongong and Albury.

In September 1927, these 17 Clubs were deemed sufficient to form Australia's first Rotary District – District 65 "for all Australia" - enabling the appointment of Australia's first District Governor, and the beginning of annual District Conferences. Today there are nearly 1,100 Clubs in 21 Rotary Districts across Australia.

A Rotary District is regarded as a manageable administrative unit for both Rotary International and the District Governor; so as the number of Rotary Clubs in Australia grew, so did the number of Rotary Districts. By 1930, the growing number of Clubs in New South Wales and Queensland was deemed sufficient for them to detach from District 65 to form their own District 76.

District News:

Following this detachment in 1930 our District 65 was then officially described as: “that portion of Australia including South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria, Tasmania, Northern Territory, the City of Broken Hill and that part of New South Wales south of the Murrumbidgee River.”

As further Rotary Clubs were formed across Australia, and new Districts detached from our District, the enormous geographic area of our District gradually reduced.

By October 1946, there were 116 Rotary Clubs in Australia, enabling Clubs in Western Victoria (west of Ballarat), South Australia and Western Australia to separate from District 65 to form a new District 64 – beginning with 22 Clubs and 880

Rotarians.

In 1949, District 64 was re-numbered District 33, and began July 1949 with 30 Clubs and 1218 Rotarians across Western Victoria, South and Western Australia.

On 1 October, 1951, our direct connection with the Western Australian Clubs was finally severed, with the detachment of Western Australia’s 12 Clubs and 471 Rotarians from District 33 to create a new District 34 for Western Australia.

In 1957 a further re-numbering of Rotary Districts took place, with District 33 being re-numbered District 250. By 1958 District 250 had 38 Clubs, with 1622 Rotarians.

The early years of District 250 saw rapid expansion, even after the Northern Territory detached in 1961 to join District 255, and Clubs in Western Victoria (excluding Sunraysia) and the South-Eastern corner of South Australia detached in 1965 to create new District 278.

From 1965, the significantly-reduced District 250 continued its steady growth, rebuilding to 44 Clubs in 1967 and 52 Clubs in 1971. By 1977, District 250 had grown to 65 Clubs with 2,829 Rotarians; prompting a further division of the District.

At the same time, Rotary Districts world-wide were being re-numbered (with a ‘9’ replacing the ‘2’ in the prefix) so, in 1977, District 250 split to become Districts 950

and 952, giving us the geographic boundaries that have remained unchanged until the present.

Rotary Districts 9520 and 9500

This division of former District 250 attempted to "ensure a more equitable distribution of the existing industrial and residential areas, and city and country Clubs, of former District 250."

New District 952 began 1977 with 34 Clubs (16 city & 18 country) with 1387 Rotarians; while District 950 retained 31 Clubs (18 city & 13 country) with 1442 Rotarians.

Since then, the geographic area of these two Districts has remained unchanged; only the District numbers were changed from three to four digits in 1991 with the addition of a 'zero'.

At the present time (May 2020), Districts 9520 and 9500 are two of 21 Rotary Districts in Australia – quite a change from the one Rotary District for the whole of Australia in 1927!

The Future

As our Rotary Districts approach 1 July 2020, and the merger of District 9500 & 9520 to form new Rotary District 9510, many of our Rotarians are speculating on the potential difficulties that this new, larger geographic District might create - for District Governors, and for Rotarians.

However, for the older Rotarians amongst us, it will simply be a case of "Back to the Future" when, on 1 July 2020, our new District 9510 simply reverts back to the geographic boundaries that existed in our former District (250) from 1965 to 1977, immediately prior to being split into the areas we've now known for decades as Districts 9520 and 9500.

Welcome to Rotary District 9510.

Prepared with thanks to Stuart Williams & Keith Rendell

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Rotarians, Partners, Guests & Friends
2025-2026 CHANGEOVER

Tuesday 1st July 2025

6.00pm for 6.30pm start

Westwood Ho Golf Club
Military Road, West Beach

Cost: $40 per person

R.S.V.P: by 23rd June 2025

Don't forget to advise that you are attending and please make payment to the KPR bank account

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Payment to the bank account (*preferrable*)

BSB: 633-000 Account number: 152107249

Account name: Rotary Club of Kidman Park Reference: Changeover 2025.

Please advise any dietary requirements: _____

If paying by direct deposit please email Co-President-elect Barbara with your acceptance, including dietary requirements (*if applicable*).
Email: barbarawheatcroft@gmail.com

Bunnings BBQ

For your diaries:

Sunday 3rd August

Saturday 30th August

Club News *(lighter side)*:

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The Joker Draw

Peter Farquhar had the winning ticket but didn't select the Joker card

The JACKPOT is $1869











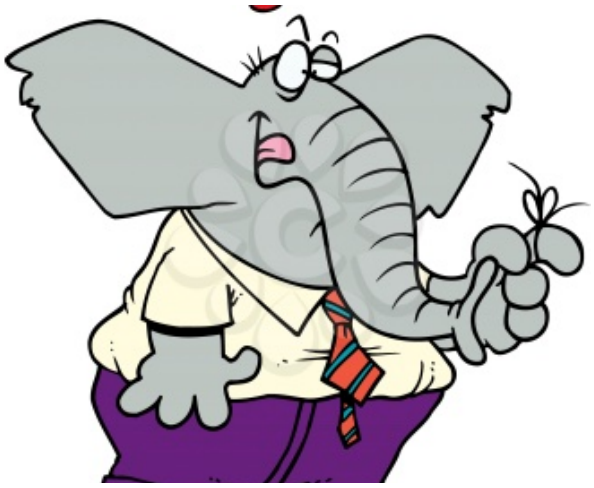
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Fellowship Events

SAVE THE DATES

Put them in your Diary



Event: **KPR Changeover**

When: **Tuesday 1st July**

Time: 6 - 6:30

Cost: $40 per person

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

When:

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

Event: **Walkathon for Australian Rotary Health**

When: 19th October

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 1st July

Changeover

Tuesday 8th July

Committees

Tuesday 15th July

Guest Speaker: Carrie Lillie

Topic: Safe Pets, Safe Families

Tuesday 19th August

Please put the Tuesday 19th August in your calendar as a key KPR event to attend.

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

2nd July	Rob Chambers
9th July	Chris Hughes
16th July	Karen Feind
23rd July	Ian Roberts
30th July	Bob Hudson

Friday Roster

4th July	Brian Tucker
11th July	Jenny Filsell
18th July	Paul Denley
25th July	Ron Harris

Hi Meals on Wheelers

Just a reminder for all, to ask if you could place the magnet signs on your car when delivering for MoW. The signs promote Rotary and in particular, our good work.

Rotary Kidman Park

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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July 1st	July 8th	July 15th	July 22nd
Furniture	Furniture Tom Bunnik Ann Branson	Furniture David Taylor Mario McDonagh	Furniture Wayne Comley Peter Farquhar
Attendance	Attendance Frank Bunnik	Attendance Frank Bunnik	Attendance Frank Bunnik
Welcome	Welcome Peter Farquhar	Welcome Liz Foote	Welcome Jenny Filsell
Chairperson Ron Harris	Chairperson Rob Hughes	Chairperson Barbara Wheatcroft	Chairperson Rob Hughes
Guest Speaker Intro Changeover	Guest Speaker Intro Committees	Guest Speaker Intro Warren Hobbs	Guest Speaker Intro
Joker Draw	Joker Draw Karen Feind	Joker Draw Peter Brown	Joker Draw Steve Redden

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Member's Birthdays:
Ed King 9th July

Partner's Birthdays:
Alan Hughes 8th July
Annie Comley 9th July

Wedding Anniversaries:
Chris & Alan Hughes 8th July

Membership Anniversaries
Jenny Filsell 5th July

BookMart Roster:

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DAY	DATE	TIME	MEMBERS	VOLUNTEERS
Saturday	28th 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	30th June	10:00 - 12:30	Steve Redden	Chris Turner, Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Ann Nagy, Leah Roberts, Ros Jones
Tuesday	1st July	10:00 - 12:30	Rob Hughes	Leonie Brunckhorst
		12:30 - 03:00	John Jackson	Clive Turner, Alison Duggan
Thursday	3rd July	10:00 - 12:30	Jenny Harris	Ruth Shakes, Lynn Allpress, Barbara Kendrick
		12:30 - 03:00		Don & Lee McCulloch, Christine Iovino
Saturday	5th July	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	7th July	10:00 - 12:30	Grant Price	Dawn Frank, Jeannie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Chris Frensch
Tuesday	8th July	10:00 - 12:30		Don & Lee McCulloch, Clive Turner
		12:30 - 03:00	Steve Redden	Naomi Wells
Thursday	10th July	10:00 - 12:30	Robert Ryan, Kevin Mullins, Chris Weyland	
		12:30 - 03:00	Paul Denley	Christine Iovino, Barbara Kendrick
Saturday	12th July	10:00 - 12:30	Liz Foote, Megan Kerr	Darlene Green, Michelle N, Lily Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00	Janet Johnson	Naomi Wells
Monday	14th July	10:00 - 12:30	Shirley Roberts, Anne Branson	Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00		Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Yvonne Dohal
Tuesday	15th July	10:00 - 12:30	Chris Hughes, Paul Denley	
		12:30 - 03:00	Rose Willington	Chris Frensch
Thursday	17th July	10:00 - 12:30	Bob Hudson, Jenny Filsell	Barbara Kendrick
		12:30 - 03:00	Warren Hobbs	Christine Iovino

Members Committee Allocation:

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To be Updated

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**				