

The Rotary Club of West Beach Bulletin

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



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Year 2026/27



CREATE LASTING IMPACT



Meeting No: 2079

Tuesday 21st July 2026

Venue: Sea Rescue

**Squadron, Barcoo Rd,
West Beach**

Guest Speaker: Ada DeDuonni

**Topic: Wills and Estate
Planning, Powers of Attorney
and Advance Care Directives**

Meeting Duties

Furniture: Tom Bunnik

Kel Burke

Attendance: John Christo

Welcome: Jenny Harris

Chairperson: Ed King

**Guest Speaker intro: David
Simpson**

Joker Draw: Stuart Ghent

Apologies & Guests: Please advise **John Christo**

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Rotarian Kevin
Tiggemann, with guest
speaker Keith Conlon

Keith Conlon shared an engaging account of his life, career and passion for South Australian history. Growing up in Blackwood and later Colonel Light Gardens, he described a happy childhood shaped by hardworking parents who encouraged curiosity about local history and the outdoors. Winning a scholarship to St Peter's College and later studying Arts and Law at the University of Adelaide opened many opportunities, although he ultimately chose a career in broadcasting rather than law.

His media career began almost by chance after appearing on an experimental talkback radio program. A suggestion to station management led to a part-time job in radio, launching a remarkable 45-year career. Keith reflected fondly on working with broadcasting legends such as Bob Francis and Barry Ion and explained that, although television through Postcards SA gave him enormous recognition over its 15-year run, radio remained his favourite medium because of its personal connection with listeners.

Among the many notable people he interviewed, Sir David Attenborough stood out as the most memorable. Keith admired Attenborough's enthusiasm, warmth and extraordinary ability to communicate complex natural history in a way that inspired audiences.

Keith explained that his lifelong interest in history came from family holidays where his parents stopped at museums, monuments and historical sites. This curiosity developed into a passion for telling South Australia's stories, particularly those of

ordinary people rather than just famous leaders. Through daily posts on Facebook and LinkedIn, his work with the Heritage Council and the History Trust, and his popular Wednesday bicycle history rides, he continues to share local history with thousands of people.

Music has also been a constant part of Keith's life. He performed with the Wesley Three folk group during the 1960s, appearing across Australia during the folk music boom. Today he still performs each year as one of Santa's jazz band members in the Adelaide Christmas Pageant.

The second half of the presentation focused on South Australia's early history. Keith described the reformist ideals behind the colony, including freedom of religion, no convict settlement and aspirations for self-government. He explained Edward Gibbon Wakefield's theory of systematic colonisation and the arrival of the first settlers in 1836.

A significant portion of the talk examined Colonel William Light's selection of Adelaide's site. Keith outlined Light's remarkable military background and his careful search for land with fertile soils, reliable water and a suitable harbour. Despite Governor Hindmarsh wanting the capital at Port Adelaide, Light insisted on the present site because of its superior agricultural land and access to the River Torrens. His city plan, with its grid layout and surrounding parklands, remains one of the world's great examples of urban planning.

Keith concluded with fascinating stories from Adelaide's western suburbs. He explained the original course of the River Torrens through the Reedbeds, the creation of Breakout Creek during the Depression as both a flood mitigation and employment project, the development of Adelaide Airport on former swamp land, and the early European settlement around Glenelg and the Patawalonga. Throughout the evening he combined historical facts with humour and personal stories, demonstrating why he remains one of South Australia's most respected and entertaining historians.



Co-President David Simpson with
The Amadio Team of Paul and
Sebastian being recognised as a
WBR Community Partner and
Sponsor.



The Amadio Wines wine tasting booth



Our formal Friends of Rotary group presented with name tag
Badges, with Keith



Our WBR Community Partners of Amadio Wines, West Beach SLSC, SA Sea Rescue Squadron, Westward Ho Golf Club, Community Bank West Beach, Adelaide Airport Ltd, Bunnik Tours, City of Charles Sturt



Our inducted new members Frank Bunnik, Carolyn Palmer and Karuna Veerapen with our Induction team of Co-Presidents of Ed King and David Simpson with Keith Conlon. More Inductions next month.

Club News:



“West Beach Rotary appreciates greatly the support of our **Sponsors** and **Community Partners** whose logos appear below”



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Club News:



Our visitors from West Torrens Rotary Club with Acting President Rosey Olbrycht



Our Engagement Committee team member John Christo welcoming soon to be new member Carolyn Palmer

Change of Venue - Tuesday 21st July

Venue: SA SEA Rescue Squadron, Barcoo Rd, West Beach.

At the North end of the carpark.

Time: As usual 6 - 6:30pm

Food: \$20 plus drinks at bar prices....no corkage.

Vale Dean Piovesan

Dean was a member of our club for some twenty years. His parents arrived from Italy in the 1920's and set up a market garden off Frogmore Road, Kidman Park. Dean was born in Adelaide on 14th September 1936 and passed away 27th June 2026. He took over the running of the market garden with his siblings after his father passed away.

He joined the Rotary Club of Kidman Park in the mid 1990's. He was a driving instructor and taught our children to drive. He always had a smile for everyone.

With the health, of his wife Mary, deteriorating he could not continue his membership. He will be remembered by our club. He passed away after a short stay in a nursing home.

A memorial service was held on Monday 13th July 2026 at Peter Elberg funerals, with lots of memories shared by family members.

Bob Hudson

Club News:

Bunnings BBQ

For your diaries:

30th August

3rd September Father's Day Family Night

18th October



JULY IS

NEW LEADERSHIP MONTH

True leaders don't create followers, they create new leaders.

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The poster features a central image of two hands in business suits, one holding a rolled-up document and the other gesturing towards it. A large yellow Rotary International gear logo is on the right. The background is dark with a blue horizontal band containing the quote.



The Joker Draw

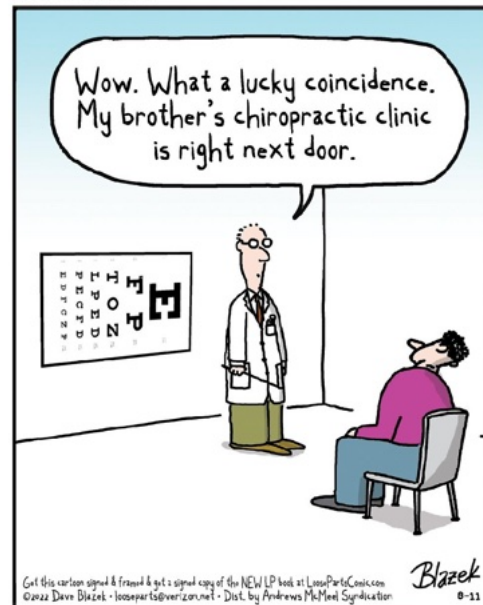
No Joker Draw last week

The JACKPOT
is approx. \$1,084



"Not the whole bed, nurse,
just his mattress."

LOOSE PARTS



"I trimmed off a teensy bit of your shirt for
Puddin's school play costume."



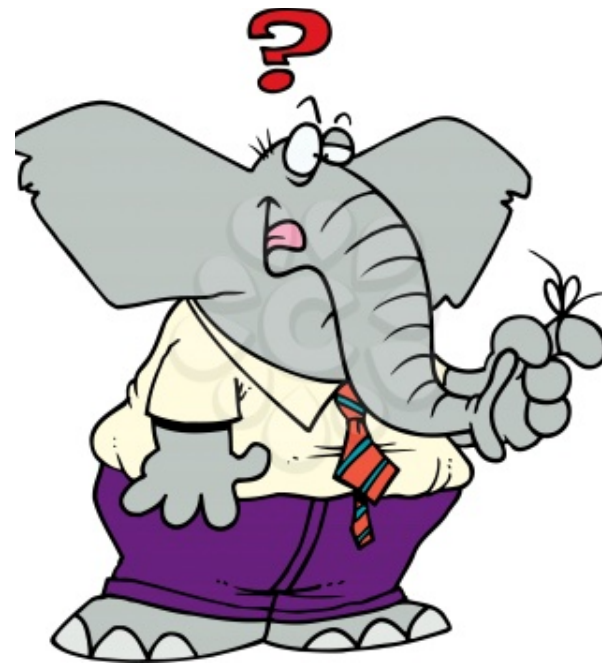
"Don't be in such a hurry. Let the wine
breathe on its own."



Fellowship Events

SAVE THE DATES

Put them in your Diary



Member's Birthdays:

Partner's Birthdays:

Wedding Anniversaries:

Membership Anniversaries

Charter Members 23rd July

David Simpson

Kel Burke

Rob Chambers

Bob Hudson

Kevin mullis

Grant Price

Rotary



THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

- I. Is it the TRUTH?
- II. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- III. Will it build **GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**
- IV. Will it be **BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

Upcoming Events & Guest Speaker **Change of Venue due to Refurbishment of WHGC**

Tues 21st July, 28th July and 11th August, meetings will be held at SA Sea Rescue Squadron.

Tues 4th August our WBR club will be hosted by WTRC at their Venue in the Meeting Room at the Rex Hotel which is 172 Richmond Rd, Marleston.

21st July

Guest Speaker: Ada DeDuonni

Topic: Wills and Estate Planning, Powers of Attorney and Advance Care Directives

28th July

Guest Speaker: Robin Jarman

Topic: Professional Tour Director

4th August

Guest Speaker: Visit WTRC... 2 members from each Club

Topic: Topic is History of both Clubs

11th August

Committees

18th August

Speaker: Marc Ryan (Beautiful Bogan) FoR & WBP

Topic: Comedian & Mental Health Advocate

Meals On Wheels Roster:

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

22nd July - Rob Chambers
29th July - Ed King
5th August - Stuart Ghent
12th August - David Simpson
19th August - Tom Bunnik
26th August - Peter Murton
2nd September - Peter Brown
9th September - Karen Feind

Friday Roster

24th July - Richard Daly
31st July - Chris Hughes
7th August - Rose Willington
14th August - Ann Branson
21st August - Jenny Harris
28th August - Brian Tucker
4th September - Paul Denley
11th September - 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*

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 Roster

21st July

Furniture
Wayne Comley
Karen Feind

Attendance
John Christo

Welcome
Jenny Harris

Chairperson
Ed King

Guest Speaker
Intro
David Simpson

Joker Draw
Stuart Ghent

28th July

Furniture
Grant Price
Steve Redden

Attendance
John Christo

Welcome
Ian Roberts

Chairperson
David Simpson

Guest Speaker
Intro
David Simpson

Joker Draw
Kevin Mullins

4th August

Furniture
N/A
The Rex Hotel

Attendance
John Christo

Welcome
N/A

Chairperson
Ed king

Guest Speaker
Intro

Joker Draw
N/A

11th August

Furniture
Paul Denley
Rose Willington

Attendance
John Christo

Welcome
Barbara Wheatcroft

Chairperson
David Simpson

Guest Speaker
Intro

Joker Draw
Tom Bunnik

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BookMart Roster:

DAY	DATE	TIME	MEMBERS	VOLUNTEERS
Saturday	18th July	10:00 - 12:30	Karen Feind, Kel Burke	Darlene Green, Michell N, Nishok Kannan
		12:30 - 03:00	Rose Willington, Dale Kentish	
Monday	20th July	10:00 - 12:30	Grant Price	Dawn Frank, Jeannie Reynolds Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Chris Frensch
		12:30 - 03:00		
Tuesday	21st July	10:00 - 12:30		Don & Lee McCulloch, Clive Turner
		12:30 - 03:00	Steve Redden, Rob Stocker	
Thursday	23rd July	10:00 - 12:30	Robert Ryan, Kevin Mullins, Chris Weyland	Christine Iovino, Barbara Kendrick
		12:30 - 03:00	Paul Denley	
Saturday	25th July	10:00 - 12:30	Liz Foote, Megan Kerr	Darlene Green, Michelle N, Lily Reynolds Jenny Clarke
		12:30 - 03:00	Janet Johnson	
Monday	27th July	10:00 - 12:30	Shirley Roberts, Ann Branson	Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds Anne Nagy, Ros Jones, Anne Fowler
		12:30 - 03:00		
Tuesday	28th July	10:00 - 12:30	Chris Hughes, Paul Denley	Chris Frensch
		12:30 - 03:00	Rose Willington, Barbara Wheatcroft	
Thursday	30th July	10:00 - 12:30	Bob Hudson, David Simpson &/or Peter Brown	Christine Iovino
		12:30 - 03:00	Warren Hobbs	
Saturday	1st August	10:00 - 12:30	Janet Johnson, Jenny Harris	Darlene Green, Michelle N, Lorraine Paroissien, Lily Reynolds
		12:30 - 03:00	Kevin Tiggemann, Ron Harris	
Monday	3rd August	10:00 - 12:30	Steve Redden	Chris Turner, Dawn Frank, Jeanie Reynolds Ann Nagy, Leah Roberts, Ros Jones
		12:30 - 03:00		
Tuesday	4th August	10:00 - 12:30	Rob Hughes	Leonie Brunckhorst, Renuka Kumar Clive Turner, Alison Duggan
		12:30 - 03:00	John Jackson	
Thursday	6th August	10:00 - 12:30	Jenny Harris	Ruth Shakes, Lynn Allpress, Barbara Kendrick Don & Lee McCulloch
		12:30 - 03:00		

Members Committee allocation 2026 - 2027

Name			Committee		
Wayne	Comley	Admin Chair	Barbara	Wheatcroft	Director Fellowship
David	Simpson	Administration	Chris	Branson	Fellowship
Ed	King	Administration	Kel	Burke	Fellowship
Peter	Murton	Administration	Rob	Chambers	Fellowship
John	Christo	Administration	Peter	Farquhar	Fellowship
			Carolyn	Palmer	Fellowship
Rob	Hughes	Dir. Community	Warren	Hobbs	Dir. Engagement
Peter	Brown	Community	Ron	Harris	Engagement
Chris	Hughes	Community	Kevin	Tiggemann	Engagement
Kevin	Mullins	Community	Robert	Ryan	Engagement
Karuna	Veerapen	Community			
David	Taylor	Community			
Tom	Bunnik	Dir. International	Steve	Redden	Director Vocational
Paul	Denley	International	Bob	Hudson	Vocational/Youth
Stuart	Ghent	International	Grant	Price	Vocational/Youth
Peter	Johnson	International	Rob	Stocker	Vocational/Youth
Ian	Roberts	International	Ann	Branson	Vocational/Youth
Brian	Tucker	International			
Karen	Feind	Dir. Bookmart			
Liz	Foote	Bookmart			
Jenny	Harris	Bookmart			
Rose	Willington	Bookmart			