

Rotary Club of East Maitland Inc.

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12 June 1961

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Incorporation # Y1031810

COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

Immediate Past President

Sue Morgan (0401 421 322)

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Liz Holle (0410 454 538)

Membership

Sue Morgan (0401 421 322)

Public Image

Stuart Holle (0402 457 028)

Service

Brian Coffey (0414 811 943)

Foundation

Brian Morgan (0418 411 206)

Welfare

Nola Roser (403 190 230)

ROTARY DISTRICT 9660

District Governor

Evan Burrell

(Kath Danvers)

(RC Greenhills Maitland)



Community Leader

Glenda Briggs

(RC East Maitland)



**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND
WEEKLY BULLETIN
3 MARCH 2026**



East Maitland
Rotary – SIM's
Cambodia

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Toilets in Popel,
Kulen
Mountains,
Cambodia, built
with a RAWCS
Grant



Rotary International President

Francesco Arezzo

Rotary Club of Ragusa

Sicily, Italy



**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND**



RCEM wear red to end polio.... We're this close!



RCEM BOARD 2025-2026

President Christopher Morgan welcomed all to the Club meeting, held at The George Tavern. Brian Morgan opening the meeting with an Acknowledgement of Country **We welcomed** Lari from Brazil and Flori from Germany, Debbie, Will and welcomed Sophie back from Viet Nam **Apologies** were received from Amanda Pauley, Narelle Jefferies, Kath Botterill, John Le Page, Nikki Cousins and Sandy & Fine Vea. Special mention this week to Nikki Cousins, Kath, Sandy and Fine.

Cindy Modderman and Nikki Cousins celebrated this week.

This week's **Rotarian of the Week** was Sandra Cleere. Sandra will select a Rotary Foundation project for her \$100 donation.

Director's Reports

Public Image (Stuart Holle)

- New events are being added to the Website (eastmaitlandrotary.org.au) as the event is created.
- Rosters for events will also be added as they become available
- Club's drone had its first flight on the weekend, over the Clean Up Australia Day

Membership (Sue Morgan)

- Discover Rotary night next Tuesday, 10 March, 5pm – 6pm

Foundation (Brian Morgan)

- Brian attended the Zone 8 (Australia, New Zealand and South Pacific) training for Foundation Chairs and District Governor Nominees.



- Mention was made of RCEM's "Rotarian of the Week" as a way to support the Rotary Foundation
- Still no cases of Polio reported
- Rotary's Polio eradication network model has been used for other vaccination programs eg Ebola
- \$530 collected from can / bottle recycling in February

Service (Brian Coffey)

- Clean Up Australia site – Council has collected waste (record amount collected) Thanks to all who participated
- Athletics Carnival – Volunteer team consisted of 14 RCEM members, 5 Rotaractors, 3 Youth Exchange Program, 2 RC Kurri Kurri, 1 Community.
- March Service – Science and Engineering (16 – 20 March) more volunteers needed
- New Pickers Canteen dates - 11 April (Magic Round) and 26 April
- Athletics (Tori Smith / Mike Goddard lead) – great work by all members, including YEP students and Rotaractors
- 42 lunches for officials prepared in addition to regular canteen catering

Repertory Theatre in support of HealthStays – sell-out – first time for a charity – included members from other Rotary clubs

FOR YOUR DIARY

(Website eastmaitlandrotary.org.au)

Walking Group every Wednesday

March 2026

- 10 - Discover Rotary Night - George Tavern - 5pm
- 11 - George Tavern Raffles
- 15 - Lift the Lid Walk - Maitland Park
- 16 – 20 Science and Engineering Challenge – Forum – University of Newcastle
- 18 - George Tavern Raffles
- 20 - Rotary Conference drinks
- 21 - Rotary Conference - Newcastle Civic Theatre
- 20 – 22 Antique Fair – Maitland Showground
- 24 - SIM's Cambodia Information - 8-9pm
- 25 - George Tavern Raffles
- 27 - Rotary Golf Day

April 2026

- 11 – Pickers Canteen
- 19 – Newcastle Marathon catering – 5am
- 21 – ANZAC Meeting – Uniting Church Hall
- 25 – ANZAC Day Dawn Service - catering
- 26 - Pickers Canteen

May 2026

- 18 – Heartprint Dinner – Telarah Bowling Club
- 21 - 23 - Caravan Show - marshalling

- 22 - Pickers Canteen

June 2026

- 6 - Pickers Canteen
- 30 – Club Changeover

Thought for the Week

(Nola Roser)



Rotary Golf Day (27 March)

- Additional prizes are being sourced, and extra volunteers would be welcome.
- Only 6 team places remain

Heartprint (Cambodia) Information Night

Venue – Telarah Bowling Club

18 May @ 6pm

Details and booking

<https://www.trybooking.com/DKGQB>

Walking Group – This week’s walking group left from East Maitland Library. Next week’s Walk, in Seniors Week, will also set off from the Library, followed by coffee / tea at The Honest Vine Cafe

Changeover – 30 June 2026

Guest Speaker – Ken Hutt (RC Berry)
End Polio Now attempts at paragliding from world’s highest mountains



	10 th March	17 th March	24 th March
ACTIVITY / SPEAKER		Club Assembly	Sarah Dulley
TOPIC	Every Daughter Matters	Wear green	Cambodia Report
INTRODUCE	Sue Morgan		Judy Hicks
THANKS	Sue Matynia		Keith Bush
FELLOWSHIP	Trevor Lynch	Stuart Holle	Kim Le Page
Thought for the Week	Liz Holle	Brian Coffey	Vicki Talbot
LOCATION	GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30 PM	GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30 PM	GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30 PM

WHAT I LIKE ABOUT BEING A MEMBER OF EAST MAITLAND ROTARY

Members were asked to share (i) how they were first introduced to Rotary, and (ii) their feelings about membership of East Maitland Rotary.

Each member contributed, with several common themes emerging, indicating a very high satisfaction with membership of RCEM: ‘come together as a community’ ‘to do good’ ‘to help people in the community’ ‘opportunities to give back’ ‘meet with like-minded people’ ‘consider the members as family’ ‘teamwork’ ‘friendship’ ‘bigger than just you’ ‘inspirational people and activities’ ‘exhausting – in a great way’



Discover **ROTARY**
 Service, Friendship, Fun, Leadership,
 Personal Development

Rotary East Maitland

Tuesday
 10 March 2026
 5.00PM- 6PM
 The George Tavern
 Greenhills
 Back dining area

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Rotary East Maitland

Heartprint Dinner

WENDY O'BRIEN and SREY PHEAP ARE VISITING AUSTRALIA

DATE: Monday 18th May 2026 6pm
 WHERE: Telarah Bowling Club
 COST: \$40
 TICKETS ON QR CODE