

**DISTRICT 9810 REPORT FOR RAWCS SOUTHERN REGION  
QUARTERLY MEETING  
SUNDAY 9<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**District 9810 RAWCS Coordinator**

Position Vacant – Report by District 9810 International Service Chair,  
Tony Stokes: Email [stokes9@optusnet.com.au](mailto:stokes9@optusnet.com.au); mobile: +61 419 577 886

**District 9810 Chairs of RAWCS Programs**

Program	2019-2020	Email	2020-2021
RAWCS District Coordinator	Vacant		To Be advised
Wheelchairs For Kids	Russell Hayes	<a href="mailto:ruscle@bigpond.com">ruscle@bigpond.com</a>	Russell Hayes
Rotarians Against Malaria	Shelley Gurney	<a href="mailto:Shellyg.gurney@gmail.com">Shellyg.gurney@gmail.com</a>	Shelley Gurney
Water, Sanitation and Hygiene	Bill Chapman	<a href="mailto:bill@wcinnovations.com.au">bill@wcinnovations.com.au</a>	Bill Chapman
Project Volunteers	Vacant		To be advised
DIK	Des Shiel	<a href="mailto:desshiel@dodo.com.au">deshiel@dodo.com.au</a>	Des Shiel

**District Coordinator Summary**

The 2019-2020 Rotary Year saw the appointment of Peter Brock from the Rotary Club of Emerald and District as the District 9810 RAWCS Coordinator. At the end of 2019, Peter relocated to Singapore and the position became vacant. Tony Stokes from the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central, who was District International Service Chair Elect, assumed this position for the balance of the 2019-2020 year. My sincere thanks to Gloria Hargreaves for her help and guidance during this period. It was greatly appreciated. This position is still to be filled for 2020-2021.

In addition, Michele Oscar is not continuing as Project Volunteers Chair in 2020-2021. This position is still to be filled.

Possible candidates to fill both vacant positions are being sought through the RAWCS network, the District Governor's Newsletter and the District International Service Committee.

We were all saddened by the loss in July of PP Joy Varughese from the Rotary Club of Croydon & Montrose who was Project Manager for a number of RAWCS projects initiated by that club.

2 RAWCS Projects were registered in District 9810 in 2019-2020 as previously reported: namely,

51-2019-20 Zero School Dropouts (RABS)

104-2019-20 End Malaria in Vanuatu for Good - Project of Rotarians Against Malaria (RAOAF)

In addition, a project was registered this month as noted below.

**RAWCS Projects**

Currently the RAWCS database shows that D9810 has 25 active ongoing registered projects, with 2 completed and 1 commenced since the last report. An updated summary list is attached.

Open Projects as at 4 August 2020	Projects Completed – 12 May 2020 – 4 August 2020	Projects Commenced since 12 May 2020
25	2	1

**RAWCS Registered Project Initiated since last report**

13-2020-21: Specialised Hoist for Alkira Springfield (RACG)

Description:

Purchase and installation of a special purpose hoist in the bathroom to enable Alkira residents with intellectual disabilities to receive personal hygiene support in a dignified manner without having to be sent home for care.

Manager: Joe Somers

Joe Somers (M) 0418 339 901 Email: [joe.somers@gmail.com](mailto:joe.somers@gmail.com)

Deputy Manager: Nicole Osner

Nicole Osner (H) 98856068 (M) 0432 713 262 Email: [nicole.osner@gmail.com](mailto:nicole.osner@gmail.com)

**Sponsored by: Rotary Club of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills, District 9810**

2019-2020 Activity reports by District 9810 Program Chairs Shelley Gurney (RAMS) and Des Shiel (DIK) are attached for information.

Tony Stokes  
District 9810 International Service Chair  
Rotary Club of Box Hill Central



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## Attachment 1

### D9810 RAWCS Projects

NAME OF PROJECT MANAGER	PROJECT NUMBER	Project Complete	COUNTRY	EMAIL
PP Wayne McKenzie Peter Cole	38-2007-08		Fiji & Pacific Islands. The Spirit of Sharing	<a href="mailto:wayne@microgenetix.com.au">wayne@microgenetix.com.au</a> <a href="mailto:petercole99@hotmail.com">petercole99@hotmail.com</a>
PP Wilma Best	52-2007-08 77-2017-18		1: Milking Cow & Goat Project in Meru County, Kenya 2: The Guardian Angels School Education Project (RAOAF)	<a href="mailto:wilma.best@bigpond.com">wilma.best@bigpond.com</a>
PP Bruce McEwen	64-2007-08		Bangladesh – Operation Cleft	<a href="mailto:bruce.mcewen@ascentor.com.au">bruce.mcewen@ascentor.com.au</a>
PP Don Kerley	9-2009-10	Yes	The Vanessa Grant Trust, Rongai, Kenya (AP038-06)	<a href="mailto:dkerley@bigpond.net.au">dkerley@bigpond.net.au</a>
PP Peter Malden	129-2010-11		The Taveuni Project, Fiji	<a href="mailto:petermalden@bigpond.com">petermalden@bigpond.com</a>

Petrus Matthijis Koens	27-2011-12		Installation of Medical Machines & training Worldwide	<a href="mailto:p.koens@optusnet.com.au">p.koens@optusnet.com.au</a>
Fred Hofmann John Sime PP John Manks	68-2011-12		Water Sanitation Education & Health for the Poor- Sabu Island, Indonesia	<a href="mailto:fred@hofmann.com.au">fred@hofmann.com.au</a> <a href="mailto:mjohnmanks@gmail.com">mjohnmanks@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:johnsime323@gmail.com">johnsime323@gmail.com</a>
PDG Brian Martin Mark Balla	21-2014-15		Operation Toilets, India	<a href="mailto:brian_martin@netspace.net.au">brian_martin@netspace.net.au</a> <a href="mailto:mark@balla.com.au">mark@balla.com.au</a>
PP David Winter	8-2015-16		<b>1: Umoja Youth &amp; Children Centre, Arusha. Tanzania</b>	<a href="mailto:david_winter1954@hotmail.com">david_winter1954@hotmail.com</a>
PP Alan Lunghusen	24-2015-16 6-2018-19  68-2017-18		<b>1: Kiriwina Aid Project</b> 2: The Kiriwina Education Aid Project (RAOAF) 3. Aid to the Disadvantaged (RACG)	<a href="mailto:alan@lunghusen.com">alan@lunghusen.com</a>
To be advised (RC Croydon & Montrose)	33-2015-16 36-2018-19 42-2016-17 32-2015-16 31-2015-16 30-2015-16 13-2015-16 3-2008-09		1: Aussie Kenya Community Organisation 2: Come Share Foundation Sri Lanka 3. Susan McKinnon Foundation 4. Maitri Foundation Worldwide 5. Children of Cambodia Foundation 6. Uechtritz Foundation projects Worldwide 7. Planet Wheeler Foundation Worldwide 8. Rotary Club Croydon – Funding for Overseas projects	
PP Tony Hough PP Michele Oscar	63-2017-18		Mutunyi Farmers Training Centre – Meru County, Kenya (RAOAF)	<a href="mailto:ahough@melbpc.org.au">ahough@melbpc.org.au</a> <a href="mailto:mtoscar@optusnet.com.au">mtoscar@optusnet.com.au</a>
Bob Williams	66-2017-18		Melbourne Rumbek Elementary School South Sudan (RAOAF)	<a href="mailto:bandbwil@bigpond.net.au">bandbwil@bigpond.net.au</a>
Russell Hayes	93-2017-18	Yes	Mobility Aid for Emmanuel (RACG)	<a href="mailto:ruscle@bigpond.com">ruscle@bigpond.com</a>
Bridget Hage	51-2019-20		Zero School Dropouts (RABS)	<a href="mailto:bhhage@gmail.com">bhhage@gmail.com</a>
Wil Cornelissen	104-2019-20		End Malaria in Vanuatu for Good – Project of Rotarians Against Malaria (RAOAF)	<a href="mailto:wil.cornelissen358@gmail.com">wil.cornelissen358@gmail.com</a>
Joe Somers	13-2020-21		Specialised Hoist for Alkira Springfield (RACG)	<a href="mailto:Joe.somers@gmail.com">Joe.somers@gmail.com</a>

## Attachment 2

### RAM 2019-2020 Activity Report for District 9810

1. A media post for Malaria Awareness Day ,30 April 2020, on District website and FaceBook
2. Project 'End Malaria in Vanuatu - For Good' is on RAWCS website and donations received already
3. Online 'Zoom' presentations with power point, available for Clubs meetings
4. Support for RAM from Clubs in our District is strong
5. All committee members have an identifying RAM District badge.
6. Cancellation our District Conference and District Assembly has impacted broader

promotion of  
RAM and fundraising opportunities

While RAM continues to support all our countries of focus - the special focus in our District 9810 is towards 'End Malaria in Vanuatu - For Good'. Fundraising is focused on eligibility for a Rotary Global Grant for \$400,000 by raising \$20,000 in our District.



*Shelley Gurney* 🌐  
*Rotarian Against Malaria*  
*Rotary District 9810*  
*Rotary Doncaster*

26 April 2020

**Attachment 3**

**Donations In Kind (DIK)**  
**2019-2020 activity Report**

**24<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

The store activities from July 2019 to Feb 2020 have been continuing along a furious pace as shown in following Report/Table.

### Donations In Kind Activity Report February 2020

Containers Shipped

20' container units

District	Club Container	Units	Store	Units
9790	Ghana	2		
9800	Sri Lanka	4	Solomon Islands	4
	Chile	2	Somaliland	2
	Malawi	2	Sri Lanka	4
	Cambodia	.5	Timor Leste	10
	Somalia	2		
9810	Cambodia	.5		
	Zimbabwe	1		
9820				
<b>Total YTD</b>		<b>14</b>		<b>20</b>

At the same time last year, we had shipped 17 Club container units and 23 from the Store. We suspect that the focus on the drought and bushfires is affecting the support for International Projects.

**Containers 2019-2020 (June)**, despatched 30 containers to 14 different countries as well as two land consignments of medical aids via Darwin to Timor Leste.

**The 600<sup>th</sup> container contains Medical and Dental equipment for the Solomon Islands;** for the National Referral Hospital, the second stage of the Dental Training Centre and 50 Wheelchairs for Kids units. It's amazing what can fit in a container and how little it cost to ship medical equipment and supplies.

**The DIK Open Day was held on 29<sup>th</sup> February** and it was what we hoped it would be – an opportunity to show what opportunities were available to Clubs via the store. Two Clubs that have not done anything with the store previously are now looking at possible container projects (when we can get back to normal operations!).

#### Adopt a Bed:

“Adopt a bed Sponsorship Program” is continuing, which allows a Rotary Club or an individual to sponsor a bed for \$200.00 which will improve patient care in developing countries. The Sponsor can track where the bed is sent.

#### DIK Inc

We now have a total of 23 Rotary Clubs as DIK Inc members with another 3 new clubs becoming members this financial year.

Since the Open Day in February we have a new DIK Inc member in Rotary Club of Berwick. Berwick have been supporters of DIK for quite some time and it is great to have them join the DIK Inc members.

The Beginning of 2020 has been very challenging with the Bush Fire relief and now COVID19.

A directive from the DIK National Manager which sets out specifically the RAWCS requirements of DIK Stores around Australia.

Donations in Kind West Footscray will close for the foreseeable future. We managed to complete the container bookings that we had at the time.

These are as follows:-

1. Completed containers for Congo and Somalia which are loaded and ready for collection.
2. We completed the filling of a container for PNG which is presently part loaded.
3. We will load a full container of Desks and Chairs for Timor which we have a ship booking for

Once these were completed, the store closed 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

Since we closed the store at the end of March, Laurie Fisher has continued to facilitate several deliveries into the store – a large delivery of Hospital equipment from Gippsland and some more hospital bed from The Austin as they continue their bed replacement program. He continues to field the myriad of emails and phone calls from people who don't seem to understand that the store is not operating! We also delivered several ventilators that we had collected previously, to The Alfred Hospital who were pleased to receive them.

We “officially” reopened operations at DIK on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2020.

In the last couple of weeks, we were able to despatch three containers to Somaliland and this has given us some breathing space in the store.

We closed again on 9th July 2020 in this Next 6 weeks lock down so it will be late August if all goes well before we open again.

Desmond Shiel

Rotary Club of Lilydale  
Donations in Kind Representative 9810  
RAWCS