

Our Vision
Our Future



District 9670 Conference 2014

28th - 30th March

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PROGRAM

Friday 28th

Day Activities
Golf & Lawn Bowls,

City Tours
Nobbys Lighthouse, Fort
Scratchley, City Tram
Tour.
Newcastle Harbour Tour

Night Activity
Hunter Stadium
Marching Band
& Entertainment
Spectacular

Saturday 29th
Wests Club
A full program of great
Guest speakers and
Rotary Highlights.

6pm
Pre-Dinner Drinks and
Dinner Dance at Wests
Club

Sunday 30th
Ecumenical Service
followed by more
Challenging Speakers
and Rotary Highlights.

1.00pm
Conference Closes



DG Brian Atkins

As a very proud Novocastrian I warmly invite all Rotarians and their families to share the excitement of Rotary and enjoy a Sea Change in Newcastle at "Our Vision, Our Future" District 9670 Conference at Wests Club New Lambton on 28, 29, 30 March 2014.

In the ever changing world of Rotary our Newcastle Conference will be dynamic, inspirational and affordable.

As part of your conference registration you will enjoy being part of the Rotary Spectacular Mini Tattoo at Hunter Stadium on the Friday night. We will be inviting the public to join us to witness the marching bands and entertainment spectacular, a first for our District Conference.

The conference has a great venue with outstanding guest speakers at our plenary sessions. On Saturday evening at the Celebration Dinner we will present for your entertainment Ultra Swing Lounge, a big band with a big sound.

I encourage you to register early, lock in your accommodation, share the spirit and fellowship of Rotary at the Newcastle Conference.

For more details please check the website, the Conference Newsletter or contact Conference Chair PDG Ted Atchison.

Speakers Corner

Professor Michael Nilsson - CEO Hunter Medical Research Inst.

Professor Michael Nilsson, MD, PhD is an internationally well-established neuroscientist with two decades experience within the fields of astrocyte biology, brain plasticity and recovery after stroke.

His continued research involves studies of astrocyte functions in brain plasticity and repair after stroke. The role of enriched environment in plasticity and regeneration has also been a main focus and constitutes an important platform for ongoing studies. He has initiated, planned and established pioneering translational research programs that combine basic and clinical research in rehabilitation neuroscience involving studies on the effects of cardiovascular exercise, music and rhythm on cognition.

Ms Dawn McLoughlin - Dawn has over 40 years experience in large and small business in management roles, human resources, recruitment, marketing and business development. Dawn is the founding and current President of Hunter Youth 2020 and the driving force behind the Hunter Foyer Project. She is passionate about providing homeless or at-risk - of homelessness youth with opportunities to become good community citizens and to live full and healthy lives. She believes that our youth are our future and projects to support youth are best delivered by a "whole of community" collaborative approach.

Ms. Michell Davies - Co-Founder ROADwhyze (Hunter)

Michelle is a mother of three, Business owner and Personal Trainer. She lost her two teenage sons in a fatal car crash at Morpeth in 2005. Her sons died as a result of speeding . It is for this reason that Michelle started to support road safety initiatives.

The 4 hour ROADwhyz program is delivered in local high schools. Michelle shares her own personal story with the teenagers, she does not speak at them and tell them what they should or shouldn't do, she simply tells them what is left after such behaviour.

ROADwhyz is this years DG's Partners Project.

Mr. Mark Wallace - Editor Rotary Down Under

After 37 years in print journalism, including 20 at The Canberra Times, he became Editor of Rotary Down Under in July, 2011.

As Public Relations chair of District 8680 and Then AG in District 9710, he spends much of his time talking to clubs all over Australia on Rotary's public image and the role each Rotarian plays in that image. Marks topic is "The Future of Rotary".



**How to Register, Registration Forms &
Accommodation details available on website**

