







Australian Rotary Health Latest News

Hat Day Enthusiasm!









With Hat Day almost **3 weeks away**, we have seen a lot of Hat Day enthusiasm already on Instagram and the registrations keep pouring in!

Did you know that 1 in 5 Australians suffer a mental illness every year & about half of us experience a mental illness in our lifetime?

Australian Rotary Health is a charity working with these Aussies in mind, funding mental health research for better prevention strategies, interventions and possibly even a cure for mental illness.

Help 'Lift the Lid on Mental Illness' by hosting a Hat Day fundraising event on October 10 (World Mental Health Day) or make a donation anytime during October.

If you need a Host Kit mailed to you or have any enquiries, contact Promotions & Mental Health Research Manager Jessica Cooper on jessica@arh.org.au or **(02) 8837 1900** to find out more.

Register for Hat Day

Donations & Merchandise

Read Our ARH Spring Update 2019



Our Spring Update 2019 is now available to read on Issuu!

If you would like a hard copy, email: admin@arh.org.au or call: (02) 8837 1900.



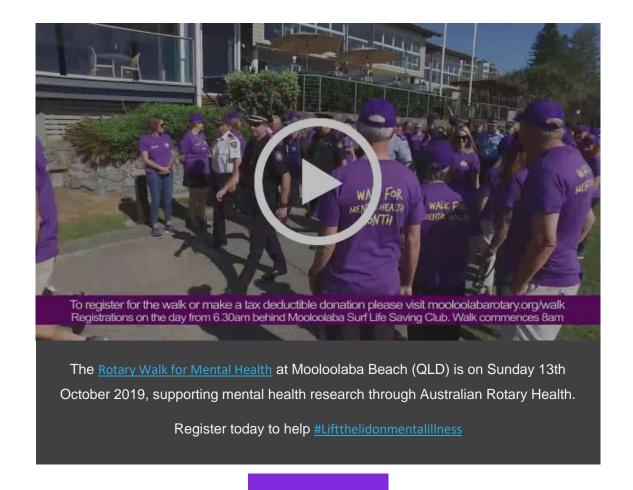
Ride for Medical Research Continues Supporting ARH after 34 Years



After raising more than \$1.1 million dollars from their bike ride events for Australian Rotary Health research over the years, Rotary District 9810 are showing no signs of slowing down as they prepare for the 2020 Ride for Medical Research 'Silos, Plains, Lakes & Art Tour.'

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Rotary Walk for Mental Health 2019



Register Here

The Bowden Brothers Supporting ARH on Tour



<u>The Bowden Brothers</u> had a full house at their 'Steady and Strong' album launch concert on the 7th of September and raised \$1,000 for the Australian Rotary Health Indigenous Health Scholarship program!

They will continue to collect donations on their Red Centre tour - next stop is Tennant Creek.

Event Details Here

Mum's Desperate Attempts to Help her Son Targeted by Vicious Bullies



Changing classes to get him away from his 'frenemy' only gave Max a temporary reprieve.

"I spoke to other parents experiencing similar problems and one told me about the <u>Cool Kids - Taking Control</u> program," she says. She mentioned it to her son's psychologist and they endorsed the program.

Australian Rotary Health is currently providing funding to Dr Sally Fitzpatrick from Macquarie University to test the Cool Kids - Taking Control program and the research team are now recruiting families to be involved in the study.

Read Article

Diet, Gut Microbiota and Mental Health



A new research study funded by Australian Rotary Health will explore how diet influences gut microbiome and how this may impact our mental health.

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Personalised Treatment Options for Bowel Cancer Patients



As a surgeon, <u>Dr. Atandrila Das</u> became frustrated by the number of cancer patients who did not respond well to the 'standard cocktail' of chemotherapy agents. Now, with a PhD Scholarship from Australian Rotary Health, she hopes to improve patient outcomes by providing personalised treatment options.

Article Here

World Suicide Prevention Day















World Suicide Prevention Day was on **September 10** and it was a time to remember those lost to suicide, encourage those who are contemplating suicide to reach out, and acknowledge the people out there contributing to suicide prevention (including our amazing researchers!)

For help call Lifeline: 13 11 14.

Here are some ARH research projects focussed on preventing suicide...

Hearing the Stories of Suicide Survivors



A new research project funded by Australian Rotary Health will seek a solution to suicide by listening to the stories of those who have attempted to take their own life and finding out what helped them to survive.

Read More

Contributors to Thoughts of Suicide in Young Australians



When statistics show that more than eight people die by suicide in Australia each day and around 65,300 attempt suicide each year, research into how to prevent suicide is more critical than ever.

Australian Rotary Health has awarded funding to researchers across the country who have a passion for learning more about suicide and how to best support people who are suicidal.

<u>Dr Tonelle Handley</u> from the University of New South Wales is one of these researchers and was awarded the Geoffrey Betts Postdoctoral Fellowship from 2014-2016 to look at contributors to thoughts of suicide across diverse groups, with a particular focus on young Australians.

Read More

Donate to Suicide Prevention Research

Women's Health Week







<u>#WomensHealthWeek</u> is a week dedicated to all women across Australia to make good health a priority.

During the week of **2-6 September**, **2019**, we acknowledged these four Australian Rotary Health funded researchers for their contribution to women's health.

<u>Angela Clapperton</u> is investigating suicide & increasing episodes of non-fatal intentional self-harm among young women in Victoria.

<u>Associate Professor Helen O'Connor</u> is working on reducing body dissatisfaction and internalised weight stigma in young women with obesity.

<u>Lucy Marsh</u> is looking into the prevalence of, and risk factors for, depression in young Australian women.

<u>Rebecca Blackmore's</u> research focusses on perinatal mental health in women of refugee background.

Research Findings Throwback



From 2015-2017 we awarded an Ian Scott PhD Scholarship to Reneta Slikboer from Swinburne University of Technology.

Reneta's project focussed on reward sensitivity theory in Trichotillomania - a psychological disorder that leads people to compulsively and uncontrollably pull out their own hair.

#Liftthelidonmentalillness

More About Reneta's Research

Donate to Research

Indigenous Health Scholar Spotlight: Alyssa Lampton



"Becoming a registered nurse is the first step towards how I can use my role to give back to my community and other communities. Being an aboriginal woman, I see the health issues that are affecting our culture. I see it in my family, and I see it in the community around me, I want to be able to be that one person that has opened their eyes to how they can help themselves in order to better their health."

- Alyssa Lampton, Indigenous Health Scholarship

Sponsored by: Rotary Mareeba

More About Alyssa

PhD Opportunities Close Next Month



Australian Rotary Health is offering 16 PhD Scholarships in a range of health areas.

One of these scholarships is the 'Joan E Swanson' PhD Scholarship, investigating Migraines.

Applications close Monday October 21st, 2019.

Opportunities Here

Upcoming ARH Events

A Celebration of Quilts



The Patchworkers and Quilters Guild of Victoria is hosting 'A Celebration of Quilts' on **September 21-22**, **2019**. The event will be supporting Australian Rotary Health and Wellways.

Details Here

Downton Abbey Charity Movie Night



You are invited to spend an evening at Downton Abbey with the Rotary Club of Berwick on Saturday 21st September. \$10 of every ticket will go to the Australian Rotary Health program Lift the Lid on Mental Illness.

Find Out More

Bowden Brothers Band Tour

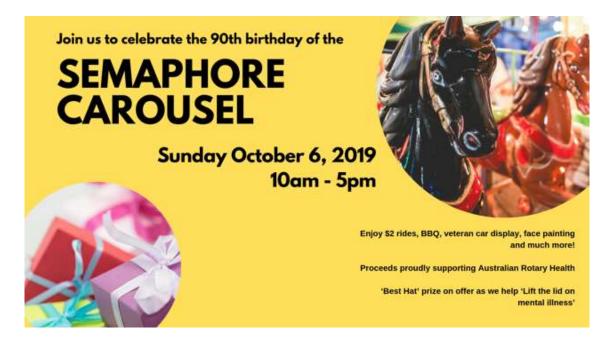


See the Bowden Brothers this **Friday September 20** or **Saturday September 21** to support Australian Rotary Health Indigenous Health Scholarships.

Friday Event Details

Saturday Event Details

Semaphore Carousel Turns 90



Join the Rotary Club of Henley Beach and five of their partner clubs on **Sunday October 6** at the 90th birthday of the Semaphore Carousel.

This year they are fundraising for the Australian Rotary Health Lift the Lid on Mental Illness campaign, supporting mental health research.

Learn More

Rotary Club of Hawthorn Fundraising Hat Day Luncheon



- Dress to Impress -

Guest Speaker
Leigh Woodgate
'The Woman from Snowy River'

The Rotary Club of Hawthorn are celebrating Hat Day on **Tuesday October** 8 at their fundraising luncheon!

Leigh Woodgate "the Woman from Snowy River" will be guest speaker for the event, sharing her inspirational personal story of Winning Against the Odds.

More Info

Breakfast with the Auditor General Access to Adult Mental Health Services in WA



To recognise National Mental Health Week, the Rotary Club of Crawley (WA) and Australian Rotary Health invite you to join us for a breakfast on **Wednesday October 9** with the Western Australian Auditor General, Caroline Spencer.

Further Details Here

Hat Day 2019 to Lift the Lid on Mental Illness



Your support on **World Mental Health Day (October 10)** or anytime during **Mental Health Month** in October, can help us to fund more mental health research, and ultimately improve many lives.

You can help #Liftthelidonmentalillness by:

Hosting a Hat Day event

- Fundraising at your local Bunnings store or train station
- Asking your local coffee shop to donate \$2 from each cup of coffee sold

To register your event or find out more, head to hatday.com.au or contact the ARH office on (02) 8837 1900 or jessica@arh.org.au

Hat Day Website

ARH Golf Day 2019



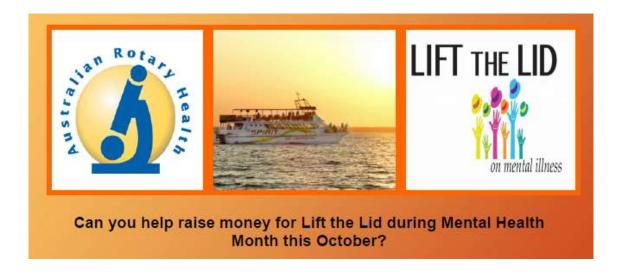
Support mental health research on World Mental Health Day (Thursday October 10) by joining us at our 'Golf for Research' event. There will also be prizes for the best hat!

Sponsorship opportunities available or \$400 for a team of four players.

Contact Terry for details: terry@arh.org.au

Learn More

Lift the Lid Sunset Cruise



The Rotary Club of Litchfield/Palmerston Inc. invites you to support Lift the Lid on Mental Illness by joining them on a 3 hour sunset cruise on board the Spirit of Darwin on **Saturday October 12.**

Your support will help to raise much needed funds for mental health research.

Event Details Here

Lift the Lid Ball 2019



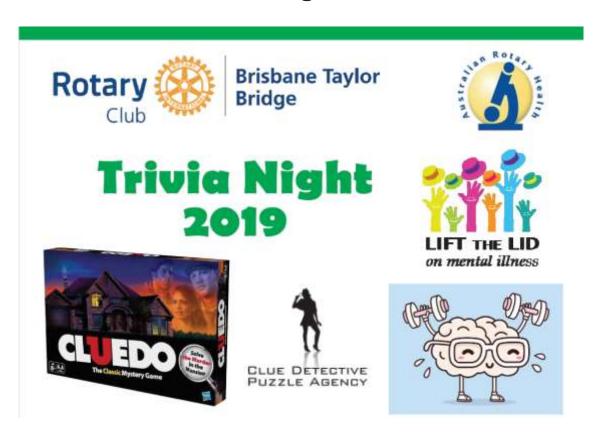
The Lift The Lid Ball is on again during National Mental Health Week on **Saturday October 12** and this year the event is focused on Youth Suicide Prevention and Research.

With all proceeds going to Australian Rotary Health and their endeavour into Mental Health Research, our hope is to reach as many people affected by mental illness and its consequences.

Mental Health Research Grant recipient Professor Gin Malhi will be one of the guest speakers.

Details Here

Rotary Club of Brisbane Taylor Bridge Trivia Night 2019

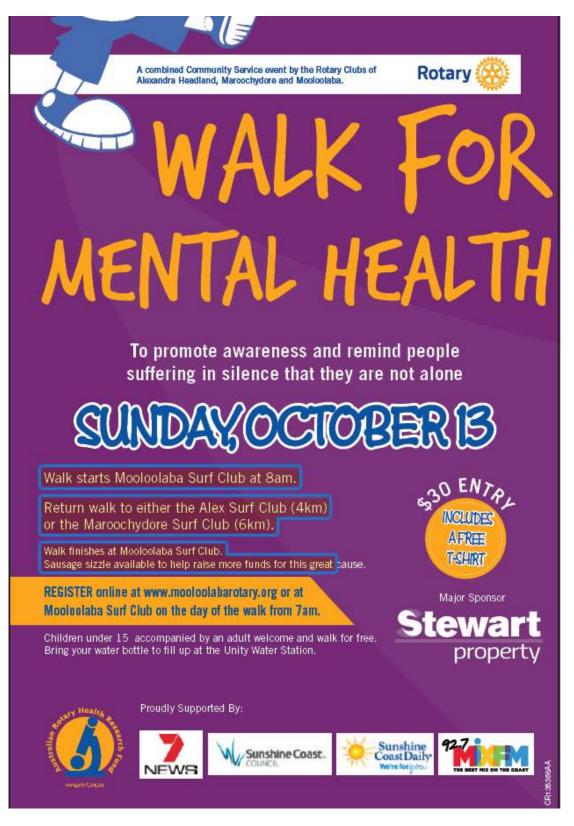


The Rotary Club of Brisbane Taylor Bridge (QLD) is partnering with Clue Detective Puzzle Agency this year, to raise money for ARH mental health research.

Come to their annual trivia night on **Saturday October 12** as your favourite Cluedo character or detective.

Find Out More

2019 Walk for Mental Health



The annual Walk for Mental Health is on again this year on **Sunday October**13, raising funds for mental health research through Australian Rotary Health.

Register today!



Health and Wellbeing Expo



Australian Rotary Health, the <u>Rotary Club of Ulverstone West</u>, and <u>Rotaract Club of Central Coast TAS</u> invite you to this year's Health and Wellbeing Expo on **Friday October 18.**

Free health checks and support advice will be available from a wide range of exhibitors.

Find Out More

Dirt N Dust Run



The Rotary Club of South Bunbury are holding their Dirt N Dust Run event this year on **October 23-27**, to raise money for mental health research through Australian Rotary Health.

Find Out More

Bulldust N Back Trial



The BulldustNBack Trial is a 4-day motoring adventure, exploring the WA outback, attracting participants of all ages who are interested in having fun! AND it's all to raise money for Kids with Cancer and Mental Health.

More Info

2020 Ride for Medical Research



Registrations are now open for the 2020 Ride for Medical Research – the 34th annual bike ride in support of Australian Rotary Health.

Find Out More

42nd AGFR Golf Tournament



For any golf enthusiasts out there, this may be the event for you.

This year the 42nd AGFR Golf Tournament is held at the 13th Beach Golf Course, Barwon Heads (VIC) on **19-24 April**, **2020**.

Profits from the event will be donated to Australian Rotary Health in support of mental health research.

Find Out More

Send all news or event items to: news@arh.org.au

One in seven young Australians experience a mental health condition



13.9% children and adolescents aged 4-17 years experienced a mental disorder between 2013-14, which is equivalent to an estimated 560,000 Australian children and adolescents.

Help <u>#Liftthelidonmentalillness</u> for our youth by supporting youth mental health research today.

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