



New President for Gawler Rotary

The 2023-24 Board Steve Barilla, Angela Moore, Anthony Barilla, Kathy Heinrich, John Lyons, Kim Potger, Michael Jacob, Margaret Leversedge, Beth Hudman and Mark Smeaton. PHOTOS: Supplied

BRIAN BURT

ABOUT 80 people attended the induction of John Lyons as the new Gawler Rotary President on Monday, July 3.

Several Rotary members and guests from neighbouring Rotary Clubs attended and enjoyed a good night out despite the inclement weather.

An auction of wines kindly donated by past president Chris Edmunds and his wife Roz raised \$1754 towards Rotary projects.

Outgoing President Kathy Heinrich presented Rotarian Ian Nys and past president Leanne Clinch with Paul Harris Fellow Awards.

Paul Harris Awards are the highest honour that can be bestowed on a Rotarian and recognise sustained outstanding service.

In her final report, Kathy outlined the year's events and thanked all who

contributed to an outstanding year.

Kathy then inducted Rotarian John Lyons as the 68th President of the Rotary Club of Gawler.

John introduced the Board for 2023-24 and then presented past president Dr Bruce Eastick with a Life Membership Certificate.

Dr Eastick is the last surviving Charter Member of the club which received its Charter from Rotary International on April 24, 1954.

He served as President in 1960-61 and has given almost 70 years of outstanding service to the Rotary Club of Gawler, Rotary International, Gawler and Districts and the State of South Australia.

In closing, President John introduced Rotary International President Gordon McNally's theme for 2023-24 which is 'Create Hope in the World'.

This is particularly appropriate given current local and world problems.



Newly inducted President John Lyons with Immediate Past President Kathy Heinrich.