

ROTARY CLUB OF KARRINYUP INC

DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
INFORMATION FOR SCHOLARS

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INFORMATION FOR SCHOLARS

The Rotary Club of Karrinyup is passionate about supporting and developing socially conscious leaders of the future through its Diversity Scholarships. The scholarships offer the opportunity to participate in a unique leadership program.

This is not a 'run of the mill' leadership program. This is about supporting innovative people, students, business professionals, Indigenous Australians and individuals with disabilities to develop leadership capacities and to give back to the community. It is about creating opportunities and giving young professionals a helping hand at the start of their careers.

WHO ARE WE?

Chartered in 1974, the Rotary Club of Karrinyup has a long history of active involvement in the local community and abroad with a service above-self philosophy to:

- Build upon past achievements to continue to learn, develop, advance world understanding, goodwill and peace through its fellowship of business, professional and community leaders.
- Enable more fellowship, at the same time helping the community through the five avenues of service to raise the image of Rotary in Western Australia, particularly our local area.
- Follow the Object of Rotary to encourage and foster the ideal of 'service above self'.

Our strength is based upon the strong foundation of a positive club culture and ongoing dedication towards the mission of Rotary. More recently the Rotary Club of Karrinyup has been modernising. As a service club, we operate within committee structures of:

- Earth (Environment) Committee;
- Community Committee;
- Youth Committee:
- Vocational Committee;
- International Committee;
- Public Relations Committee;
- Club Committee;
- Fundraising (Market) Committee and
- · Membership.

Members may, and indeed are encouraged to, serve on more than one committee.

We offer opportunities to develop interpersonal, leadership and project management skills, while enjoying the shared experiences of networking, social activities and mentoring with business and community leaders.

We wish to encourage even greater diversity, including sectors of the community, who do not usually have access to these opportunities. This scholarship is intended for contemporary adults on the threshold of their careers.



We are a club adapting to a new normal post COVID19. We understand the time and financial constraints of modern living and creating an environment of leadership and community in which everyone can contribute.

More than that and most importantly, we have fun!

WHAT WE OFFER

Scholars will have opportunities to engage with and learn from members across the Rotary community. Some of the competencies, which the scholarship might assist in building include, but are not limited to:

- self confidence
- interpersonal skills,
- social and business etiquette,
- public speaking,
- organising and running meetings,
- leadership,
- project management and
- teamwork.

This learning may be achieved through active involvement in the club, networking events and opportunities to attend leadership programs.

We aim to give scholars the ability to deal effectively with people at all levels of society, by enabling them to work alongside men and women, who have already made their mark in business and the community.

HOW DOES IT WORK

Though some exceptions may apply, scholarships are available to individuals, who are over 18 and are either:

- A current undergraduate university student, who has successfully completed first year or a post graduate university student;
- A person in their first full time job earning less than \$60,000 p.a. and studying part time.
- A person studying part time, who is seeking employment in their chosen field with a strong passion to serve the community;
- A person studying part time, who is unable to work and/or working with a disability earning less than \$60,000 p.a.

Awardees in their first year are deemed Associate Scholars with the following privileges:

- Associate membership of the Rotary Club of Karrinyup,
- Financial support for legitimate tertiary education costs,
- Total cost of formal club meetings attended (limit of 12).
- Financial support to attend Rotary District events.



AND the following responsibilities

- Become involved in club activities and projects including the Stirling Farmers Market.
- Briefly report to the club at least once a quarter on the progress of tertiary studies.
- Contribute to the club in some way using vocational skills to support Rotary areas of service and club activities.

The Diversity Scholarships are available for up to two years or as long as the Scholars still meet the requirements. Continuing support is dependent on the scholars' level of engagement with the club and its projects and is reviewed at regular intervals. At the end of the first year the scholarship committee will discuss this involvement with the scholar to determine the next step.

Should a scholar be awarded support for a second year, the scholar will become a **Full Associate Scholar** with the same privileges enjoyed in the previous year.

In addition the scholar:

- Will become a **Member of Rotary Club of Karrinyup and Rotary International** with all the rights and privileges afforded to all Rotarians.
- Will commit to attend no less than 50% of our meetings with the total cost of formal club meetings paid by the club to a maximum of twenty four (24).
- Will remain involved in club activities and projects including the Stirling Farmers Market.
- Will commit to be responsible for some of their own costs, though each individual's situation will be assessed confidentially.
- Will continue to briefly report to the club at least once a quarter on the progress of the tertiary studies.
- Will continue to contribute back to the club in some way using their vocational skills to support Rotary areas of service and club activities.

The club currently meets every Tuesday evening at the Marmion Angling and Aquatic Club (MAAC) in Marmion. The majority of meetings are held during dinner (between 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm) although some other events are held at other times. Project involvement is generally additional to this.

We hope that you are at the beginning of a life-long association with Rotary and the community and look forward to receiving an application from you.

To apply for the scholarship, please complete the Rotary Club of Karrinyup Diversity Scholarship Application Form, which can be downloaded from our website https://karrinyuprotary.org.au

Applications should be uploaded and submitted online using the online RC Karrinyup Associate Scholar Application submission form.

Any queries may be directed to the Scholarship Coordinator karrinyuprotary@gmail.com.