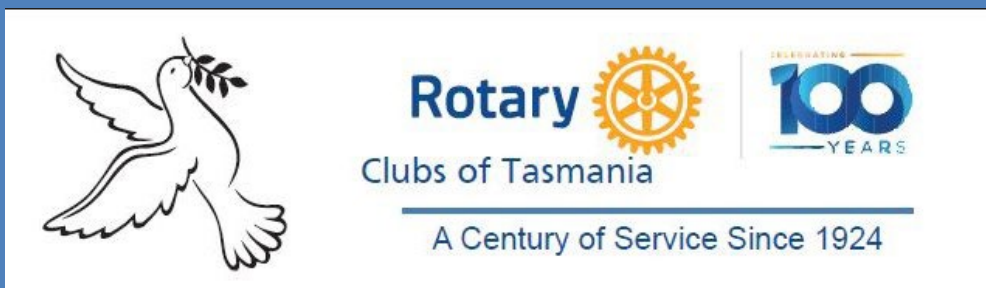




100 Peace Poles – 100 Years



Celebrating the Centenary of the Rotary Tasmania in 2024

100 PEACE POLES ~ 100 YEARS OF ROTARY IN TASMANIA

The Peace Pole program had its beginnings in 1955. You can now find Peace Poles in close to 200 countries with more than 200,000 placed around the world.

To recognise the centenary of Rotary in Tasmania, Rotary Clubs and Rotary members are aiming to donate 100 Peace Poles to schools, community groups and not for profit organisations.

Peace Poles are set into the earth, with the Universal Peace Message 'May Peace Prevail on Earth' written on each side in four languages. They symbolise our common wish for a world at Peace. They stand as a silent vigil, reminding us to think and act in the spirit of Peace.

In Australia, the Rotary Peace Pole project began with an idea of Rotary member Michael Rabey and the Rotary Club of Canberra Burley Griffin. The idea was one of several initiatives to celebrate the centenary of Rotary in Australia and New Zealand in 2020-2021.

Rotary Tasmania is continuing this legacy by inviting Rotary Clubs, to approach schools at all levels, local and state Government bodies, community organisations and businesses in Tasmania to join together and celebrate the 100 years of Rotary in Tasmania through 2024. Importantly the aim is help spread the message of Peace across our State and throughout the world. It is a reminder that Peace begins in our hearts, our homes and our communities.

100 WORLD PEACE DAY CEREMONIES IN TASMANIA

Once the Peace Pole is installed then an invitation is distributed to participate in the Peace Pole ceremony. We suggest a short ceremony at the Peace Pole where the Rotary Club would send members to deliver a Peace message to students, the organisation or community group. In addition, the Universal message 'May Peace Prevail on Earth' could be recited in each of the four languages selected to go on the Peace Pole. An example of a Peace Pole ceremony for schools and organisations can be found on page 7 of this handbook.

The words of the Chinese Philosopher Laozi could also be recited. The words were used by the Rotary International President Herb Brown in 1995/96 as part of his theme on Peace. The Words of Laozi are included in the Reflection (page 8).

Words of Laozi

If there is to be Peace in the world,
there must be Peace between nations.
If there is to be Peace between nations
there must be Peace between cities.
If there must be Peace between cities,
there must be Peace between neighbours.
If there must be Peace between neighbours,
there must be Peace in the home.
If there must be in the home,
there must be Peace in the heart.

Yearly ceremony at the Peace Pole

Each year the United Nations [International Day of Peace](#) is observed around the world on 21 September. A special message is made available by the United Nations Secretary-General leading up this day of observance. A Rotary member could be invited to recite this Peace message at the Peace Pole each year.



ORDERING AND COST

The Peace Pole plaques are ordered through the Rotary Centenary Peace Pole Sub Committee – peacepoletas@rotary9830.org.au .

Each pole has a Rotary descriptor plaque recognising 100 years of Rotary in Tasmania plus the donor Rotary Club's name. Poles are numbered from 1 through 100.

Up to seven chosen languages are often based on the cultural heritage of the owner or group or focused on the historical or current conflict regions of the world.

If timber poles are preferred, clubs are required to source locally. The poles are 90mm x 90mm x 2400mm in length. The preferred material is 'Merbau' timber.



Poles can be sourced at a timber or hardware store (e.g. Bunnings) or maybe collaborate with your local Men's Shed.

To complete the timber Peace Pole the top is to be cut on a 45 - degree angle on each side. The Pole should preferably be painted with white enamel (with a tannin resistant undercoat) or stained with marine varnish. However it can be painted to blend in with any associated surrounding infrastructure.

The plaques are then attached to the Pole using stainless steel screws. This work could be done by Rotary members or by a school woodwork class or a Men's Shed.

PRICING

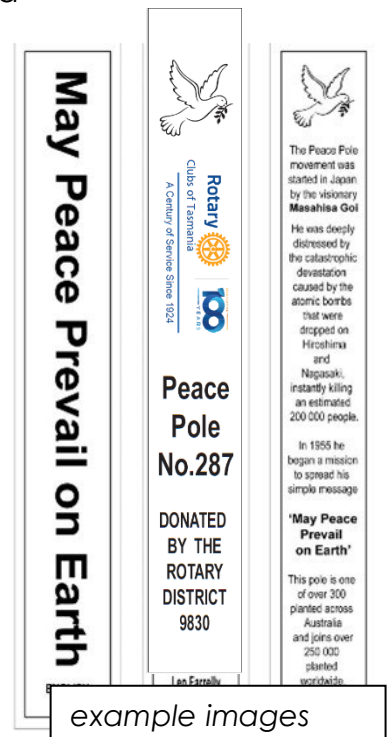
- Merbau Timber - \$60 each (Indicative)

N.B. Clubs to purchase from Bunnings or other hardware store

Should PVC (recycled) or aluminum poles be chosen, these will be sourced through Rotary Tasmania.

- PVC (recycled) - \$120.00 each
- Aluminum - \$150.00 each

N.B. To the above pole pricing please add the price for each plaque – see below.



example images

The completed Peace Pole will have a minimum of four or up to a maximum of six plaques in various languages (plus a Rotary Tasmania Centenary and donor (Club) plaque. A Peace Pole explanation decal is also attached. See example images.

Language Plaques:- - \$30.00 each

All prices are plus GST plus freight from Devonport.

Clubs should allow for approximately 2 bags of quick set cement per installation. (Cement not included in above pricing)



PLACING AN ORDER

To order a Rotary Peace Pole(s) or to make an enquiry please email PeacePoletas@rotary9830.org.au

Please include the languages you would like the words - May Peace Prevail on Earth - one being English.

Delivery is normally within 2 – 3 weeks from order.

CREATING A PEACEFUL PLACE

We suggest you place your Peace Pole in an area that provides an opportunity for children and adults to reflect and feel at Peace. You may like to plant a tree alongside it, such as a native with shade, and add seating close by, possibly a bench or large rock.

You could add a QR code to the pole, which when scanned, will take observers to examples of how you or others are promoting Peace. It could link to a Rotary website where everyone can learn about the many humanitarian and Peace projects being done across the State and the world. Observers will realise how citizens young and old are actively promoting Peace within their communities.

Details of a QR Code are available upon request



SPONSORSHIP

We urge Rotary Club's to approach businesses or individuals who may like to sponsor a Peace Pole in your community.

BENEFITS

If 100 Rotary clubs, schools, businesses or community organisations get involved, that could mean thousands of Tasmanians of all ages would receive the Peace message.

The 100 Peace Poles centenary project promotes the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and Peace. It provides a unique opportunity for Rotary Clubs to connect with schools, Governments at all levels, businesses and organisations in their local areas. It offers the opportunity for ongoing engagement and participation with one another such as connecting each year for a Peace ceremony on the International Day of Peace on 21 September.



Peace Pole Ceremony - "May Peace Prevail on Earth"

Suggested for schools and suitable for any Community Group

Welcome MC

We are gathering today to reaffirm our commitment to Peace locally and globally and especially in our relationship with each other and in our community.

Acknowledgement of Country by student

For thousands of years Aboriginal people have walked this land, on their own country as custodians to their earth mother.

Their unbroken relationship with the land and sea was and remains to be at the centre of their lives.

We acknowledge the-----people, those of the past, the present and the future, and, with gratitude and respect, we recognize their continued relationship, custodianship and their bond of this land and sea throughout the ages.

Opening comments

Peace Pole Info/ History MC

We will share some Peace Pole information and history.

To mark the Centenary of the Rotary in Tasmania, we have set a goal to spread the message of Peace with 100 Peace Poles donated to 100 schools and organisations. This goal has been achieved through collaboration with schools, organisations, businesses and Rotary clubs around Tasmania.

Student 1

The Peace Pole program which had its beginnings after the Second World War in 1955, was developed by the World Peace Prayer Society Founder, Masahisa Goi. Now, more than 250,000 Peace Poles stand in approximately 200 countries around the globe, symbolising the common wish for a world at Peace.

Student 2

Peace Poles are marked with the message "May Peace Prevail on Earth" in multiple languages, standing in silent vigil for Peace and acting as a reminder for all to think and act in the spirit of Peace.

Student 3

This Peace Pole stands as a constant reminder of the need for Peace. Each year we hope that the school will continue to hold this annual ceremony at our Peace Pole. In doing so we join with Rotary and other Peace Pole schools as messengers of Peace to all of Australia.

Reflection

Student 4: If there is to be Peace in the world, there must be Peace between nations.

Student 5: If there is to be Peace between nations, there must be Peace in the cities.

Student 6: If there is to be Peace in the cities, there must be Peace between neighbours.

Student 7: If there is to be Peace between neighbours, there must be Peace in the home.

Student 8: If there is to be Peace in the home, there must be Peace in the heart

Student 9: These words were written by the Chinese philosopher Laozi over 2500 years ago. Laozi teaches that we should live a simple life that is filled with goodness and integrity. Even though he wrote this message thousands of years ago it is one that is very important and still valid for all of us today. These words were also used by the Rotary International President Herb Brown in 1995/1996 as part of his theme of Peace for his presidential year.

Message for the International Day of Peace Ceremony from the Secretary General of the United Nations read by Rotary member.

A Rotary Club member could be invited to read the Peace message. This message is made available by the United Nations each year leading up to the International Day of Peace which is held on 21 September each year.

The Peace Pole Message “May Peace Prevail on Earth”

Four students each read one side of the Peace Pole, to be read in language as displayed on the Peace Pole

Student 11 Side One Language English

Student 12 Side Two Language

Student 13 Side Three Language

Student 14 Side Four Language

National Anthem

All sing the National Anthem to conclude the Peace Pole ceremony.

MC

Thank you for participating in our ceremony today and a special thanks to <add names>

We are called to remember to always act from a place of Peace and Kindness.

May Peace prevail on earth.



Peace pole order Template

		(Tick)	Pricing	
Peace Pole Material	Merbau Timber	Club Supplied		
	PVC	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$120.00	
	Aluminium	<input type="checkbox"/>	\$150.00	
Name of Rotary Club				
Name of Club contact				
Phone Contact				
Email of contact				
School name or pole installation site				
Address of school or installation site				
Languages requested. (Include any preferred wording or indigenous translations)		Plaque		
1		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
2		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
3		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
4		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
5		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
6		<input type="checkbox"/>	\$30.00	
Mandatory Rotary and Pole Signage		Included	\$0.00	
Delivery address				
Delivery recipient's - name				
Delivery recipient's - phone number				
Delivery recipient's - email				
Special instructions				
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		GST \$		
		Grand Total \$		

Payment Details

Payment via EFT at time of order:
 Acct Name : Rotary International District 9830 Inc.
 BSB: 067-105
 Acct: 1034 1207
 Reference: Peace Poles + Club name