

# GSE Team Profile

## Western Australia District 9455

**District Governor Ian Hutton**  
**GSE Chairman Rebecca Moore**



### **PE Franziska Forrer (40) - Team Leader**

Franziska is a single practicing Architect. Working from her home office she is focusing mainly on design and documentation of small residential developments and renovations.

Franziska grew up in the Lake of Constance vicinity, where she lived until the age of 26. From there, she moved to Lisbon, Portugal to explore further possibilities in her profession. In Lisbon she met her Australian born husband Franco. In 1999 she moved to Australia and established her own office in 2001. In the same year she was invited to join Rotary. She served as Treasurer in the Youth Exchange Committee; during 2006-2009 she took on the role as Chairman. During this time her biggest challenge was the implementation of the Certification process in District 9470. Franziska was also asked to become the Youth Resource Group Coordinator of Zone 8 during 2008-2010. When she heard about the GSE to District 1880 she was very excited as she worked on a few projects in Germany throughout her early career, and is thrilled about the opportunity to share the wonderful and rich German culture with her team.



### **Paul Channon (37) - Area Manager**

Paul is employed by the CBH Group as an Area Manager. The CBH Group owns and manages one of the most sophisticated grain storage and handling networks in the world. Our ports and country receival points in Western Australia provide an efficient safe and competitive service to growers cultivating grain over more than 300,000 square kilometres. Paul is

based in a small country town called Corrigin 230km South-East of Perth. His role within the CBH Group is based around logistical and operational storage and handling of bulk grain commodities, fostering good relationships with local growers and customers, team building, leadership and development of all permanent and casual staff that directly report to him. Paul hopes to gain from the exchange a broader view and experience within another country and also to learn its culture. He also believes that it will enhance and help develop his leadership skills that may hopefully foster long term relationships with host families, organisations and people that he may meet on the exchange. Paul is particularly interested in processing procedures and how bulk grain commodities are processed in Germany, mainly in the Malt Barley industry. Paul is also interested in shipping logistical fields within the country.



### **Dianne Meredith (25) - Public Relations**

Dianne Meredith has a degree in Communications and is currently a Media Adviser with Centrelink, an Australian Government agency that delivers a range of Commonwealth payments and services to the Australian community. While Dianne is responsible for media management across Western Australia she is also part of a virtual team that manages Centrelink's media

across the country. Centrelink is a large organisation that distributes \$86.8 billion annually in social security payments to 6.84 million customers and employs more than 27,000 staff across Australia.

Dianne is also a committee member with the Public Relations Institute of Australia's Young Guns, who provide professional development and network opportunities for emerging public relations and communication practitioners in Western Australia.

Dianne is looking forward to sharing knowledge and information with Public Relations professionals in Germany and gaining an understanding of the German media system.



### **Amanda Mulcahy (26) - Physiotherapist, Policy Officer Healthcare**

Amanda Mulcahy is passionate about healthcare delivery in Western Australia (WA). She works as a Policy Officer representing Allied Health and Health Science Professions in WA Health at the Chief Health Professions Office. She also works as a Physiotherapist at Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital, one of Australia's leading teaching

tertiary hospitals. The hospital has over 600 beds and employs approximately 5,000 staff who treats over 420,000 patients every year. Amanda also sits on the WA Australian Physiotherapy Association Branch Council and has published research into the Physiotherapy Workforce in WA. She is keen to heighten her understanding of strategic priorities for health and the delivery of health care services by broadening her horizons in Germany.



### **Rebecca Pickering (28) - Operational Superintendent**

Rebecca is currently an Operational Superintendent at the Rio Tinto Argyle Diamond Mine, the world's primary supplier of the rare pink diamonds. She is responsible for ensuring the safe and efficient operation of the diamond recovery and tailings disposal facilities with a staff of 20+. Located in the Kimberly region in far north Western Australia the

key challenges include building and strengthening an indigenous work force to match the demographic of the region and operating in an isolated environment with the nearest regional centre over 1000km away. Having recently transitioned into an operational leadership role from a process engineering background Rebecca is particularly excited about gaining exposure to the internationally renowned structure and efficiency of German manufacturing processes and will be looking for learnings to apply back to the diamond processing business.