Exchange student Ava speaks at Rotary meeting

THE Rotary Club of Gawler heard from German Rotary exchange student Ava Koenzen at its February meeting last week.

Ava, who is attending Trinity College, is a Rotary exchange student sponsored by Hilden Haan Rotary in Germany.

She was introduced to the Rotary Club of Gawler at its February meeting on Monday, February 11, by her host mother, Gawler Rotary member Marie-louise Lees, and she delivered a guest speech.

Ava was hosted by Clare Rotary for the second half of 2018 and attended Clare High School.

"Ava has already travelled widely in Australia and has embraced Rotary's motto, 'Service above self', with refreshing enthusiasm," Gawler Rotary member Brian Burt said.

The Rotary club also heard from Sandra Jacob, from Brereton's Jewellers in Murray Street, as the Gawler business speaker on the night.

Sandra's uncle, Gordon

German Rotary exchange student Ava Koenzen (right) with her host mother, Rotary Club of Gawler member Marie-louise Lees, pictured at the Australian Scout Jamboree last month.
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Brereton, purchased the Murray Street watchmaker/jeweller business from Charles Coates in 1954, six years after starting up as a watchmaker himself.

Sandra's father, Ken Brereton, became a partner in 1966 and took over the business when Gordon retired.

"Today, Brereton's Jewellers is a thriving business with an excellent reputation for quality products and service," Mr Burt said.