



ANNUAL REPORT

2024 - 2025

ROTARY CLUB OF MANDURAH DISTRICTS INC. DISTRICT 9423

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT

2024 - 2025

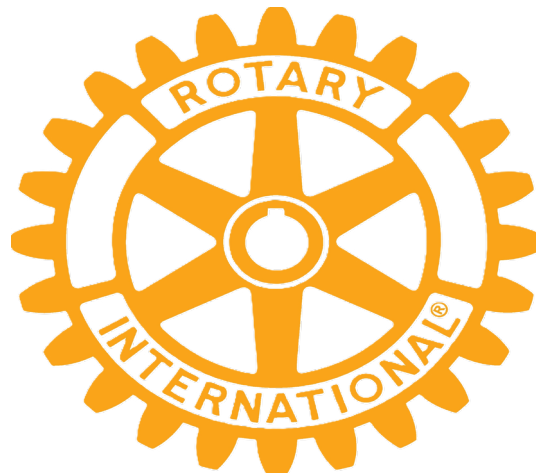
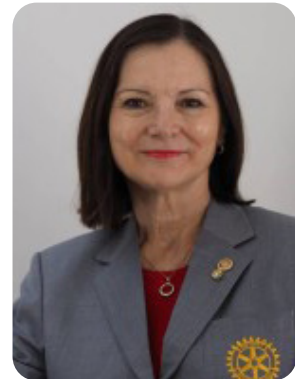
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DISTRICT GOVERNOR

2024 - 2025

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CLUB BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2024 - 2025



CLUB PRESIDENT - PETER SMITH



CLUB SECRETARY - CHRIS DEPIAZZI



CLUB TREASURER - PHIL BROWN



COMMUNITY SERVICE - TREVOR WILSON



YOUTH SERVICE - DEB ATKINS



MEMBERSHIP/PUBLIC IMAGE - MARTIN SADLE



FOUNDATION/INTERNATIONAL - MIKE KIRKE

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2024–2025 year was one of remarkable achievement and deep community connection for Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts Inc.

Guided by our mission to serve both local and international communities, our club raised over \$206,000 and distributed nearly half of those funds to support vital causes.

Our major fundraising events, including the Family Fun Day & Duck Races, Wishing Well, Golf Day, and Swap Meet, not only generated essential income but also fostered partnerships and goodwill across the Mandurah and Peel region.

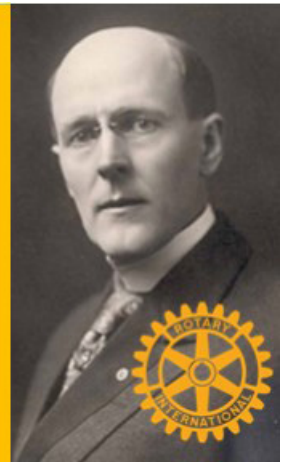
Signature programs like Sail into Life and the Sumba Project showcased Rotary's commitment to inclusion and global citizenship.

This report details the year's financial performance, highlights our collective impact, and celebrates the stories of transformation made possible by our members, partners, and supporters.

*Rotary changes us
and those we serve.*

*I believe we can change the
world one life at a time.*

Paul Harris



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a year it's been for the Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts Inc. As President, I've had the privilege of seeing firsthand the incredible spirit of our club with people coming together with heart, creativity, and a shared commitment to making a difference.

We've had some truly memorable moments.

The Family Fun Day & Duck Races once again turned the Mandurah Eastern foreshore into a joyful celebration, full of colour, laughter, and community connection.

Our Sumba Project, in partnership with the Fair Future Foundations has continued its life-changing work, bringing clean water, solar power, and hope to remote villages on the Indonesia island of Sumba.

One of our proudest achievements was the recognition of our Sail into Life program, which received the Mandurah Sports Award for inclusiveness. It's a testament to what happens when we open doors and create opportunities for everyone.

Our youth programs also thrived students found their voices in the 4 Way Speech Contest and took part in exchanges that broadened their horizons and built lifelong memories.

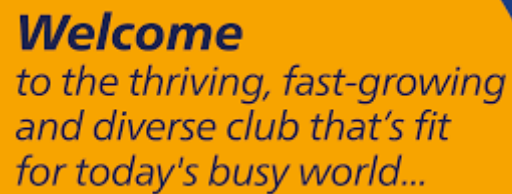
None of this would be possible without the quiet dedication of our members. Whether behind the scenes or out front, they've given their time, skills, and energy to every project.

On the community front, the club took on its first Lift the Lid Walk [Physical Health for Mental Health]. Although short on numbers, it's a project that will no doubt entice more to get out and participate in 2025.

We've also focused on renewing membership, welcoming two new members to the club. At present the club has 26 active members, eight associate members and six Honorary members.

Through our community projects the club continues to strengthen its public image, making sure our club stays vibrant and visible. Financially, we've remained strong, setting the stage for even more impact in the future.

The club has had a wide arrange of guest speakers, across a wide range of topics, community groups, fellow Rotarians, special interests, both personal and those directed at improving our health.



Welcome
*to the thriving, fast-growing
and diverse club that's fit
for today's busy world...*

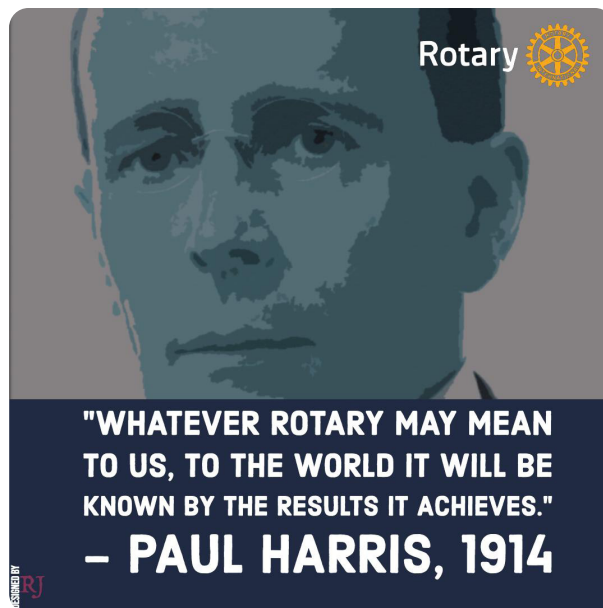
Whilst there are many milestones the club has achieved and the numerous projects and events that have been undertaken throughout the rotary year, I'll leave it up to the respective club services directors to report on their committees achievements.

To every member, volunteer, and supporter—thank you.

You've helped turn Rotary's vision into something real and powerful here in Mandurah.

The seeds we've planted this year are already growing, and I can't wait to see what we'll achieve together next.

Pete Smith
Club President
2024-2025



TREASURER'S REPORT

The financial health of the Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts Inc remains robust, reflecting both the strength of our fundraising and the breadth of our giving.

This year, total income reached **\$206,530.50**, with major contributions from the Duck Race & Family Fun Day, Wishing Well, Parking/Marshalling/ Crab Fest Parking, Sumba Water Project Donations, Swap Meet & Sausage Sizzle, and the Charity Golf Day.

Our expenses, totalling **\$167,220.46**, were carefully managed to maximise our charitable impact, with significant investments in the Sumba Water Project, community distributions, and youth programs.

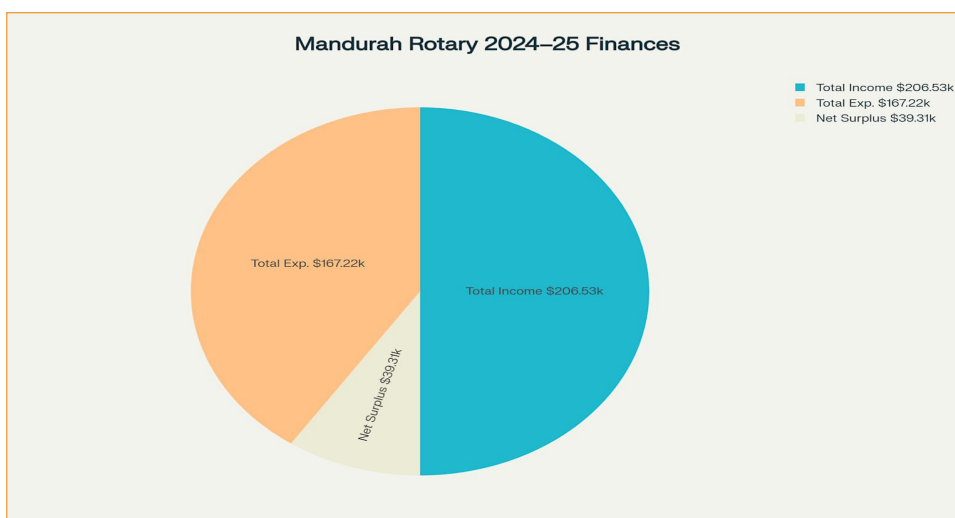
The club finished the year with a net surplus of **\$39,310.04**, ensuring prudent reserves for future initiatives.

Our financial reporting remains transparent and detailed, and I thank the Finance Committee and all event organisers for their diligence and support.

Charitable Impact

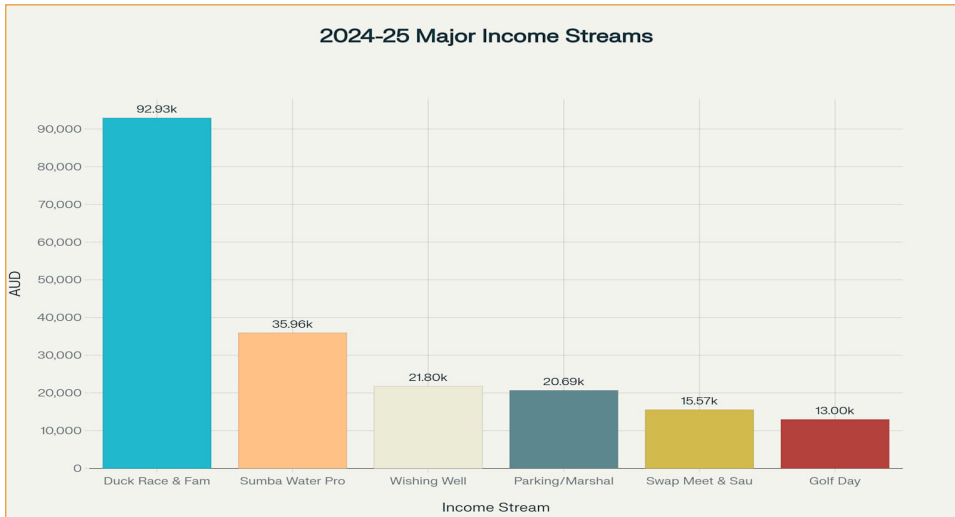
Approximately 46% of income was distributed directly to community groups, youth, and international projects. We maintained prudent reserves and transparent reporting throughout the year.

My thanks to all the committee members and event organisers, and every member who contributed to this year's financial success.



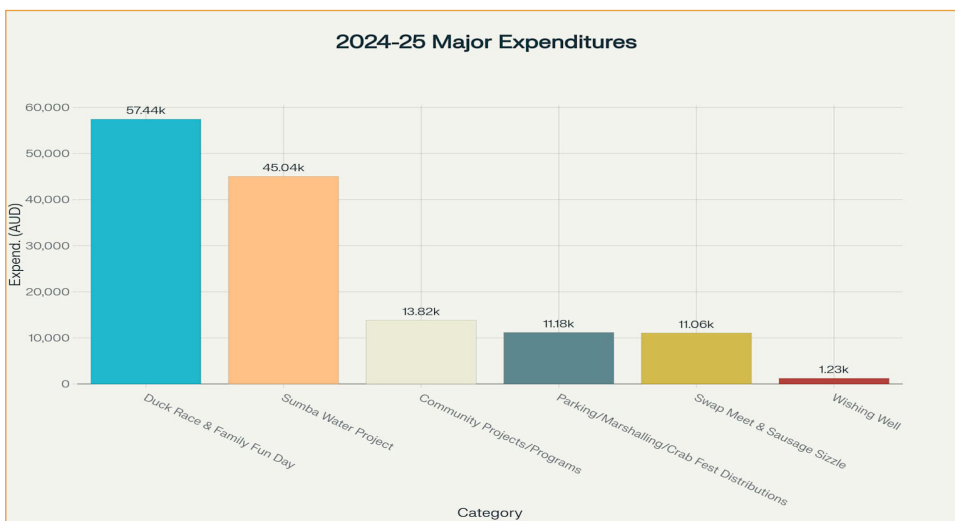
Major Income Streams: 2024–2025

The following chart illustrates the major income streams for the 2024–2025 financial year. Each bar represents a key fundraising activity or project, highlighting the relative contribution of each to the club's overall income.



Major Expenditures: 2024–2025

The following chart presents the major expenditure categories during the 2024–2025 financial year. This visual comparison highlights the relative size of each key area of spending, making it easy to see where the club's resources were allocated.



Distribution of Community Projects & Programs Funding (2024–2025)

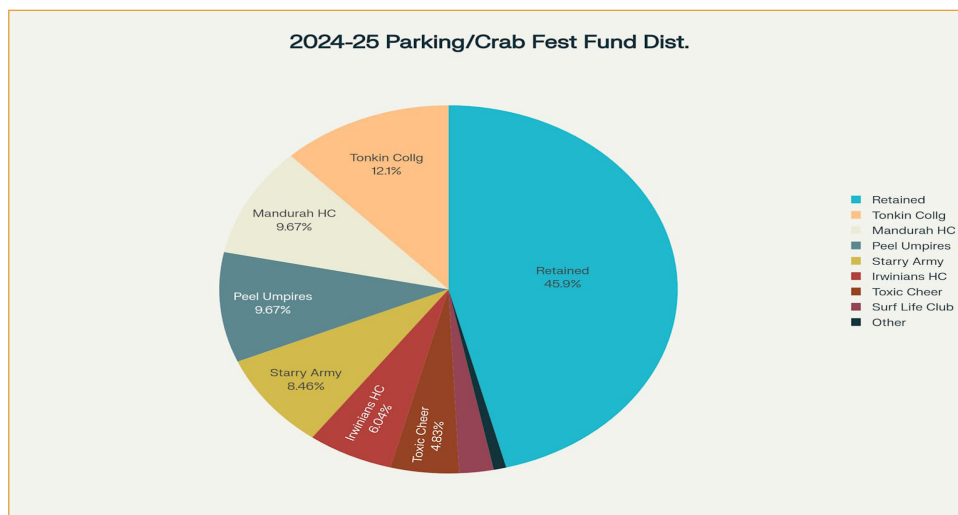
The report details a diverse allocation of funds to a range of community projects and programs during the 2024–2025 financial year. The distribution reflects the club’s commitment to supporting local initiatives, education, health, and social welfare.



Distribution of Parking/Marshalling/Crab Fest Funds (2024–2025)

During 2024–2025 the club distributed funds raised from various Parking/ Marshalling/Crab Fest activities to a number among local community groups and retained for Rotary’s charitable work.

The total income from these activities was **\$20,689.95**, with **\$11,183.63** distributed to beneficiaries and the remaining **\$9,506.32** retained by the club for future projects.



The Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts Inc concluded the 2024–2025 financial year in a strong and sustainable position. The club's total income for the year was **\$206,530.50**, reflecting the success of its major fundraising events and the generosity of donors, sponsors, and community partners.

The club remains financially healthy, with diverse and reliable income streams, prudent expense management, and a clear focus on maximising community benefit. The club is well positioned to continue its mission of service, support new initiatives, and respond flexibly to future opportunities and challenges.

A full breakdown of the club's finances is attached as an Appendix to this report.

Phil Brown
Club Treasurer
2024-2025



CLUB SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 2024–2025 Rotary year has been one of renewed energy, strong participation, and meaningful service for the club. The club has continued to uphold the ideals of Rotary, fostering fellowship among members, strengthening community ties, and delivering impactful projects both locally and internationally.

MEETINGS AND ADMINISTRATION

Club Meetings

Regular meetings were held throughout the year, providing a forum for planning, fellowship, and the exchange of ideas. Guest speakers, project updates, and member presentations enriched the program and kept members engaged and informed.

Board and Committee Meetings

The Board met monthly to oversee governance, finances, and project delivery. Committees for Community, Youth, Foundation/International, Membership, and major events met as required, ensuring effective coordination and decision-making.

Membership Records

Membership was actively managed, with two new members inducted and six resignations, resulting in 26 active members and 8 associates at year's end. The club maintained accurate records of attendance, participation, and member milestones.

Compliance and Reporting

All statutory and Rotary International reporting requirements were met, including timely submission of annual returns, insurance documentation, and grant acquittals. The club's constitution and by-laws were reviewed and remain current.

COMMUNICATION

Internal Communication

Members were kept informed through regular emails, meeting minutes, and updates via the club's digital platforms. The introduction of an electronic membership application streamlined onboarding and improved record-keeping.

External Communication

The club's public image was enhanced through active use of Facebook (now with over 1,000 followers), a refreshed website, and regular engagement with local media. Event promotions, project stories, and community acknowledgments were shared widely, raising Rotary's profile in Mandurah.

Acknowledgments

The Secretary wishes to thank all members for their cooperation in maintaining accurate records, responding to communications, and supporting the smooth running of the club. Special thanks to the Board, committee chairs, and event coordinators for their leadership and commitment.

Conclusion

The Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts Inc has enjoyed a successful and productive year, marked by strong administration, effective communication, and a spirit of fellowship. The club is well positioned for continued growth and service in the year ahead.

Chris Depiazzi
Club Secretary
2024-2025

CLUB MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Membership is the lifeblood of Rotary, and this year saw both renewal and reflection.

Two new members joined our ranks, Rad Williams and Ivor Jezdik, who will bring a fresh perspectives and energy to the club.

Six members departed, leaving us with 26 active members and 8 associates.

Our club's female membership stands at 25%, a reminder of the ongoing need for diversity and inclusion.

The introduction of an electronic application process has streamlined onboarding, and our public image has grown, with Facebook followers surpassing 1,000.

Our club remains committed to fostering a welcoming environment where every member can contribute meaningfully to the Rotary's mission.



PUBLIC IMAGE

Facebook continues to be the main medium of communication for the club to the broad community regarding our Projects and Programs.

There are now over 1K followers of our club Facebook page.

Our website has been improved during the year and needs to be maintained.

Martin Sadle
Membership/Public Image Director
2024-2025



COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Another Rotary year has come and gone.

I would like to first and foremost, thank every member of the Club for their participation in any and all service that has benefited our local community. Many local clubs and organisations have worked with us on our projects and have directly benefited from the financial return for their efforts.

Activities like the CRABFEST parking and similar ventures have enabled them to meet their financial goals, and our Club to offer financial assistance to other community groups as well.

The club joined with the Rotary Club of Pinjarra to run another very successful Charity Golf Day followed by a Dinner for participants and workers, with a good time had by all that attended.

The event raised considerable funds for the both clubs which then finds its way back into community projects.

The club ventured out into a new project during 2024, the Lift the Lid Walk - Physical Health for Mental Health. This was the first time the club had run such an event, and thanks goes to Bridget Jones for being instrumental in organising the day. With a few lessons learnt, the 2025 event will be a great success.

The DUCKRACE and FAMILY FUN DAY rose to new heights this year with close to 100% attendance by members and their families PLUS a friend or neighbour that they could rope in. There were more stall holders and more ducks involved in an event that drew a record crowd.



With the new sponsorship of Mandurah City Council we are well positioned to become a new and exciting attraction to Mandurah that can only increase with every passing year.

It was unfortunate that the wind and tide didn't fully co-operate with the main event this year and the ducks had to have impartial outside help to make it to the finish line in a reasonable time, it nevertheless drew a large crowd with no-one knowing who the winning duck would be. In a crowded race.

The Club's BBQ trailer provided the hungry masses with a constant supply of tasty 'Sausage in a bun' and super cold soft drinks and icy bottled water throughout the whole event.

The Club has been active in presenting Rotary and Rotary projects, particularly Sail into Life, at Wellness Wednesday, Lakelands Volunteer Expo and the John Tonkin Special Education Unit's Disability Expo which was held this past year, at the Mandurah Aquatic & Recreational Centre

An exciting, but unplanned feature, of this event was the evacuation of the Expo by all attendees and stall holders due to a problem in the Swimming pool area which necessitated the call-out of the fire brigade.

After the 'all clear' was given we all trooped back inside and carried on as though nothing had happened.

The Club's BBQ trailer has been constantly put to good use with outings at Sunday Swap Meets and, by invitation from local schools for, sports days and parent-student afternoons.

Mandurah City Council invited us to provide a sausage sizzle for a youth 'Beats under the Bridge' afternoon which proved popular with young and old alike.

One of the aims of the Club this year has been to make the Club more visible in our community and I believe that we have succeeded in being 'seen' through the activities of our members as they engage in community service.

These are but a few of the activities that the Club and its members have engaged in this year, contributing hundreds of hours of altruistic service and providing valuable support funding to, Clubs, groups, and the Mandurah community.

I thank President Pete for his wise leadership of the Club and my fellow Board members and Club members for contributing to a very successful year.

Trevor Wilson
Community Service Director
2024-2025

"It has been my privilege to serve as the Community Service Director for the past 4 years and I now hand over to Bridget Jones and I ask all members to give her the same support that you have given me".

"WE MUSTER PEOPLE WITH SIMILAR INTERESTS, WHO CREATE SOMETHING TOGETHER THAT'S MUCH GREATER THAN WHAT THEY COULD CREATE INDIVIDUALLY."



YOUTH SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The 2024–2025 Youth Report highlights a vibrant and impactful year for the club's youth programs.

The club's commitment to empowering young people is evident through its support of leadership camps, public speaking competitions, international exchanges, and school awards.

With a dedicated committee and strong member involvement, the club provided life-changing opportunities for local students, fostered international understanding, and celebrated the achievements of youth across the Mandurah community.

Committee: Deb Atkins, Steve Barlow, Adrian Russell, Anna Dunlop, Carl Preisler-Hansen.

RYLA

The Club sponsored two participants for the camp in January 2025. Chantall Barlow and Isabelle Worthington both said that the experience was life changing and that they were very grateful for the opportunity. They both did a presentation to the club on May 13th, 2025, which was well received by the members and Chantall and Isabelle's families.



RYPEN

Eliane Schar our exchange student and Keelie Leek were sponsored by our club for the September 2024 RYPEN camp. Unfortunately, I was unable to get any feedback from Keelie, but Eliane very much enjoyed the experience, found it very worthwhile and made a whole lot of new friends. Eliane put together an excellent presentation in March for our members.



On behalf of the Youth Committee, thank you to the members for supporting both RYLA and RYPEN in 2024-2025



4 WAY SPEECH CONTEST

We had 6 students competing in the 2024 competition. All students were of a very high standard. The student from Coodanup College won the club heat and place third in the district final.



2024 4 Way Speech Contest
Winner and Runner Up
Jordan Hull and Dallas Mabbs

This was the first year a public school has entered the competition.

Thank you to John Kevan who did coaching and mentoring at Coodanup college

The club also hosted the district final which was attended by 70 guests.

This year's competition is to get underway at the club heat to be held July 29th, 2025.

rotary youth exchange

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE-INBOUND

Ceci Firetti departed Australia in July, 2024, after a fabulous 12 months in Mandurah.

Ceci's parents sent letters of thanks to her host families. A heartfelt thank you to the Worthington, Barlow, Winton and Brown families. A special thank you to Merice Brown who was Ceci's mentor.

Thank you, Mandurah Catholic College, for welcoming Ceci into their school.

Ceci had visited and seen quite a bit of WA including the Northwest. She put together a power point presentation for the members highlighting her amazing experience in Mandurah and Australia.

Ceci became an avid Eagles supporter.

On July 23rd, 2024, we welcomed our new inbound exchange student, Eliane Schar from Switzerland.

Eliane has had a wide and varied experience here in Mandurah, the South West and North WA. She celebrated her 16th birthday with us and has been an absolute delight to host.

Eliane has made the most of her time here and will be returning to Switzerland on July 11th, 2025.

A farewell function was held on July 1st, 2025.

Thank you to Deb and Kev Atkins and Steve and Bernice Barlow and Merice and Phil Brown for hosting Eliane during the year.

Again, a heartfelt thank you to Merice Brown who mentored

Eliane like Ceci became a West Coast Eagle for life.



Our next inbound student is Ainara Ordoqui-Avila from Spain who will be arriving July 31st, 2025.

We are seeking host families to help support Ainara during her stay.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH EXCHANGE -OUTBOUND

We received and interviewed three applicants for exchange for 2025-2026.

The successful applicant was Madi Singleton from Mandurah.

Madi attends Coastal College and is in year 10.

Madi left for Sweden in January 2025 and has been in touch to say she is having the experience of her life and is very grateful for the opportunity.



PEEL WEEK

The exchange students who didn't go on the Sydney trip were brought to Mandurah for Peel Week from 25/11/2024 to 30/11/2024. The students were hosted for the week by Deb and Kev Atkins and Steve and Bernice Barlow.

The students were involved in a range of activities sponsored by Rotary Mandurah Districts and Rotary Pinjarra and supported by friends of Rotary.

School Citizenship Awards

\$100 citizenship donations were made to 30 schools in Mandurah. Members, partners and associates presented at 22 school assemblies. Vocational

Thank you to everyone who presented.

Deb Atkins
Club Youth Director
2024-2025



International Youth Exchange Students at the Rotary District Conference 28-30 March 2025, the Heart, Margaret River



FOUNDATION/INTERNATIONAL DIRECTOR'S REPORT

INTERNATIONAL & FOUNDATION

The Sumba Project, under the dedicated leadership of John Kevan, continues to be a source of pride and impact for both its recipients and the club.



During 2024-2025, two groups of club members traveled to Sumba to witness firsthand the remarkable outcomes of the project, further strengthening the connection between the club and the communities it serves.

The project's ongoing success is reflected in the steady stream of donations being received from a wide range of supporters. This is a testament to the tireless advocacy of John and his team.

A notable sub-project, the Solar Buddy Lights initiative, was also successfully completed this year. Six hundred lights were delivered and distributed to Sumba, with club members actively participating in quality assurance checks prior to shipping. Alongside the lights, children's clothing and medical supplies were also sent, broadening the project's positive impact.



The Peace Poles project, which initially received a District grant, faced implementation challenges and could not proceed as planned. With the assistance of John Kevan and agreement from the District, the grant was repurposed to support the Sumba Bed Nets (mosquito nets) Project, ensuring that the funds continued to serve a vital need. The Peace Poles initiative will be reconsidered for the coming year.

COMMUNITY GRANTS

This year, the club approved grants totaling **\$12,600** to support ten community groups, reflecting its ongoing commitment to local service. The grant process remains active and will continue throughout the year, ensuring that support is available to a diverse range of community initiatives as new needs and opportunities arise.

Additionally, a formal process has been established for the nomination and consideration of Paul Harris Awards, ensuring that outstanding service within the club is recognised in a structured and meaningful way.

Mike Kirke
Club Foundation/International Director
2024-2025

CHRISTMAS WISHING WELL

The Christmas Wishing Well project enjoyed another successful year, raising **\$21,820** for the club's charitable efforts.

This achievement was made possible by the many club members who contributed their time and effort to the construction of the wishing well and the daily collection of donations.



While the project faced several challenges related to its location, these will be carefully reviewed in preparation for the 2025 event.

Notably, significant structural improvements were made to the wishing well itself, which will simplify assembly and enhance the project for years to come.



On behalf of the members and friends of the Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts, I would like to thank Mandurah Cruises for their support and encouragement, and to the Mandurah Cruises staff who encourage the public to donate to support our community groups each year.

We also thank all of the Port Mandurah residents who share the Christmas spirit by presenting a magnificent display of Christmas lights for us all.

Mike Kirke
Club Foundation/International Director
2024-2025



THE SUMBA PROJECT

This project began as a pilot in June 2003, with a budget of \$25,000. Since then, the **ROTARY SUMBA PROJECT** has received nearly \$160,000, with more donations and grants scheduled in coming months. The humanitarian work being carried out by Dr Alex Wettstein and dedicated staff and volunteers from the Fair Future Foundation, operating in the remote villages of East Sumba, is saving lives, in so many ways. Most of these villages do not have clean water or electric power.



Rotary funding has been supporting the construction, of twenty concrete water tanks, kilometres of pipelines, and the installation of toilets and septic tanks by villagers living in remote areas. Health education posters, showing the need to wash hands, eat nutritious food, and prevent malaria, as well as social public health messages have been very effective.

Frequent medical intervention programs, involving hundreds of villagers at a time, enable the testing, medication and tracking of malaria, and the treatment of infections and wounds. Medicines are also distributed at this time. Rotary is supporting the training, supply of resources and medicines for twenty-five Health Agents, to provide a first response medical service in their villages. Malaria is still rife in many regions; dengue and TB are also prevalent.

The Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts is partnering with the Fair Future Foundation in Sumba, Indonesia. Rotary Clubs in Australia, individuals and corporations are supporting Water Connections, and Sanitation, Malaria Prevention & Health Education projects, providing 2,424 SolarBuddy lights, a unique Primary Medical Care program, the supply of bed nets and the construction of a laboratory.

In May 2025, a 'needs assessment study' was undertaken by trained volunteers, in the remote Umalulu region. This was supported by Rotarians Against Malaria. The questionnaire data from a villager's interview was transmitted on a mobile app, directly into the study data base. This enabled the supply of bed nets, malaria testing and medical treatment to be quantified immediately, and delivered efficiently.



Dr. Alex Wettstein and his wife Ayu



Rotarians from this club made visits to East Sumba to inspect the project work being funded by Rotary. Peter Smith, Adrian Russell, Bridget Jones, Mandi McGrath, Trevor Wilson and John Kevan have been involved at various times in this challenging endeavour. They witnessed the logistical planning



of medical interventions, provision of transportation and meals, visited schools and medical centres, and participated in the distribution of SolarBuddy lights, posters and hundreds of bed nets. By the end of June 2025, over 600 SolarBuddy lights had

been distributed.

In Mandurah, other club members carried out quality checks on 400 SolarBuddy lights, collected and sorted of children's clothes, and purchased medical equipment, then taken to Sumba by the travellers. Our thanks to Melodie Kevan, Diane Russell, Murray Love, Merice Brown and Sue Kirke. Thanks also to Phil Brown for maintaining project financial control and completing the international funds transfers. It



was a great team effort.



During a visit in June 2025, the Rotarians met with the Regent (Governor) of the East Sumba Regency who praised the support Rotary is giving to the Sumbanese community. They also met with directors and senior staff of the Waingapu Hospital. Following a

tour of the complex, ways to assist this under resourced facility, that services the whole island having a population of over 900,000 people, were agreed. Lab without Walls will support Rotary in this work.

Ongoing support from many other Rotary Clubs, individuals and Lab without Walls is gratefully acknowledged. Villagers now construct their new village facilities, making a better life for their families. Some become Health Agents, and many are wanting to learn about growing their food, nutrition and the correct use of bed nets. It is so encouraging to be making a difference.



Directors, staff and volunteers of Fair Future Foundation, led by Dr. Alex Wettstein and wife Ayu are commended for their ongoing dedication in implementing these programs that definitely save lives, and provides hope for the future. This is why Rotarians are supporting them.

UNITE FOR GOOD

Report prepared by:
Past District Governor John Kevan
Project Manager
Rotary Sumba Project
30 June 2025



SAIL INTO LIFE



Committee: Deb Atkins (Chair), Phil Brown, Lex McKay, Rob Davis ,Alan Oakes

The season kicked off on 27th October 2024 and ran until 6th April 2025.

The sailing days were well attended by participants, carers and volunteers.

We had up to 24 participants on Sunday mornings, and generally enough volunteers to cater to this number.

The two new boats and the unnamed boats have all been named and christened.

DEBORAH JAYNE, LEX MCKAY, BETH AND CLARE

The program was nominated for the Mandurah Sports award in the Inclusive Category, which we won.

This was a very proud achievement for all the hard working committee members and volunteers.



This year was the first time we entered our program into the Mandurah Christmas pageant.

Thank you to Murray Love who towed the SIL boat behind "Rupert".

A very big thank you to the committee, the Rotary Youth Exchange students and volunteers who helped decorate the boat and participate in the pageant.



We were invited by the City of Mandurah to promote our program at the regular monthly community morning tea. I went along and did a 15-minute presentation. We had new participants join the program as a result of this.

Phil took one of our access dinghy's to the Duck Race and Family fun day. This raised the profile of our program and sold a number of Duck Race tickets.

We attended the Disabilities expo at MARC to promote the program and Rotary in general. Thank you to the Mandurah Districts members who manned our stand and talked about the program.

The committee made the decision to replace all our life vests with auto inflate vests. These vests are a much safer option for our participants, especially those with mobility issues. This coming year will also see us revamp, update and reprint our brochures.

Trevor Wilson and I were invited to promote the program on community radio out of Rockingham. We had a 10-minute question and answer spot.

On Sunday April 13th, we invited participants, carers, families and volunteers to a wind-up party. We were treated to a complimentary light lunch donated by the Mandurah Offshore Fishing and sailing Club. We are very grateful for the support MOFSC gives us.

Our next year will focus on growing the program and mentoring younger volunteers to take on the main roles and responsibilities.

Deb will be stepping down from the chairperson position after 4 years.

Rob Davis will take up the reigns from October.

Thank you to my committee, members of Mandurah Districts and Pinjarra, and all the volunteers who give their time to support this program.

Deb Atkins
Chairperson
Sail Into Life Committee
2024-2025



ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

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THE ROTARY CLUBS OF PEEL 
The Alcoa Ambrose
Charity Golf Day
.....★★★.....
21 Nov 2024
Mandurah Country Club



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All proceeds raised contribute toward local, international and community projects

Contact Graeme Jenkins
MB: 0407 478 044
Email: graeme.jenkins@bigpond.com

11:00 am Registration & Sausage Sizzle
12:00 pm Shotgun Start
5:30 pm Dinner, Charity Auction, & Trophy Presentations

Course Guidelines
Collared shirt, dress shorts or slacks
Soft spike or flat soled shoes (no metal spikes)

On November 21, 2024 we co-hosted hold the Annual Charity Golf Day with the Rotary Club of Pinjarra.

A total of 22 Teams participated in the event, playing the Four-ball Ambrose rules.

At the end of the day a total of \$26,000 was raised, which was distributed between our club and the Pinjarra Rotary club. Our club then donated \$3,000 to Passages Peel, who have been a major benefactor of the golf day for many years.

As always, we had a very successful day and evening, which started with a Sausage Sizzle cooked by the Lions club.

At 12:00pm all teams commenced their rounds from a shotgun start. Each team of four is assigned a different starting hole (e.g., Hole 1, Hole 2, Hole 3, etc.), and at the designated time, (shotgun blast), all the teams commenced play simultaneously from their assigned holes.

Play then continued throughout the course [in order from their starting point], until the completion of the competition.

It's interesting to see each year how fast the 'Roos' around the course can see the class of the players so they know if they are safer in the 'Ruff' or on the Fairways

The day finished with a very entertaining Dinner and Auction.

Unfortunately, as with most years, no-one bagged the hole in one at the first to win the prized car,

GOLF DAY WINNERS & LOSERS



AND THEN THERE ARE THE VOLUNTEERS



A Huge Thank-you to Everyone

Martin Sadle
Charity Golf Day Committee Member
2024-2025

SWAP MEET & SAUSAGE SIZZLE

The Community Swap Meet held on Sunday mornings at the Halls Head Shopping Centre car-park continues to be another [come fair weather or foul] fund-raising project where club members brave the early morning starts to bring joy and a well cooked sausage to stall-holders and shoppers alike.

On an average Sunday, there are between 24 to 30 stall-holders, many of them well and true, 'dye in the wool', second-hand traders.

For this financial period the club raised **\$10,588.86** from stall-holder bay hire, insurance levies, and 'sausage in a bun' sales.



Expenses were carefully managed, totaling **\$8,611.80**, and the event provided a net profit of **\$1,977.06** towards the Charity Account.

Some expenditure was needed to upgrade the BBQ Trailer [new hot plates and a complete overhaul]. As well as the purchasing of a new Rotary Marquee, designed with comfort in

mind.

Pete Smith
Swap Meet Manager's 'Apprentice'
2024-2025

FAMILY FUN DAY & DUCK RACES

The Family Fun Day & Duck Races held on Easter Saturday, 2025, at the Eastern Foreshore, Mandurah Terrace, proved to be once again the highlight of our fundraising calendar, drawing record crowds to the foreshore.



This year we were supported in our stall-holder and vendor management by Megan Walsh [Peel Produce Market] who brought her expertise and wealth of knowledge in setting up such events.

This year we had generous support of the City of Mandurah, Lotterywest, Community Bank Halls Head/Bendigo Bank, with grants ranging from **\$6,000** [Lotterywest], **\$5,000** [City of Mandurah], and **\$3,000** [Community Bank Halls Head/Bendigo Bank].

Sponsorship for prizes was provided by two local businesses, Peel Tyre Service and Mandurah Scrap Metal/Containers for Cash, who contributed **\$3,000** in total towards the 2nd prize total.



This amount, coupled with the generous prize donation from our club of **\$10,000** for the 1st Prize and **\$2,000** towards the 2nd Prize of **\$5,000**.

As usual Swales Jewellers provide the 3rd Prize of **\$2,500** worth of jewellery.

The Corporate race prizes were also generous donations from West Coast Radio, **\$5,000** of 'Business Media Advertising', the Pirate Ship, **\$2,000** [2-hour 45 person cruise], Boutique Massage Studio [our very own Bridget Jones] **\$1,000** Massage Voucher, and a new prize sponsor for this year, Broomstickchick Photography, with a **\$1,000** Fine Art Canvas Print.

On the day, the sun came out and brought all the families down to the foreshore for a fun packed day of live music and entertainment.



Arts and craft stall lined the foreshore, as did the Mens Shed, with their wooden craft and the 'Putt Putt Golf', King Carnival again provided amusement rides, as well as providing another bundle of stuffed toys ducks and toys for prizes on the 'Chocolate Spinning Wheel'.

And the day wouldn't be complete without the club's BBQ sausage sizzle being the 'go to' take-away venue.

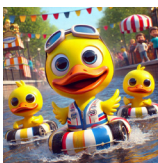


In total, the club sold 122 Corporate raffle tickets [\$50], and 12,266 [\$5] raffle ticket, which totaled **\$67,400.00** in ticket sales, with **\$33,725.00** worth of tickets sold by community groups.

And yet another record was set for ducks in on the water in the main race [12,266], up by over 1,000 in 2024.

For the whole day's event the club raised **\$92,928.99** and distributed over **\$17,000** back to community groups.

Through the tireless efforts for the Family Fun Day & Duck Races committee, Phil Brown, Martin Sadle, Deb Atkins, Carol Deuter, Chris Depiazzi, and the later contributions from Mike Kirke [Race Organisers], and the club members and volunteers [Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club & St Johns Ambulance] who all contributed to another 'gaucker' of a day.



Pete Smith
Family Fun Day & Duck Race Committee Chair
2024-2025



CLUB ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year the club welcomed a number of guest speakers, and attended several local business and schools as part of the vocational program.

VOCATIONAL VISITS

In July, club members visited Midway Community Care, thanks to Gareth Talbot, CEO, and his staff for hosting the evening, and allowing us to view the facilities, and how Midway helps support people in the community with disabilities.

In October, the club visited TAFE - Saltbush Restaurant, for a look into the world of catering, as the restaurant is a full-time learning institution for young people. The food, beverage and service was extremely well put together. This also dovetailed into a visit from a previous exchange student, Damien Altieri from Argentina, who was returning after 30 years to attend Mandurah High School, 30th year Graduation Anniversary.



We kicked off 2025, with a visit to Wedgetail Brewery on January 29th. The 'Tour de Brew' was a very rewarding insight to how a 'micro' brewery operates.



And in May, we visited Frederick Irwin Anglican School, Halls Head Campus to a look into today's modern learning facilities for tomorrow's leaders. For some members it was a bit of a nostalgia trip to see some old wooden desks with the lift up lids [minus the ink wells].



Thanks to Tracey Grey & Sue Kirke for hosting, and Mike Kirke for organising.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Whilst we had a long list of guest speakers, here they are [in no set order].

- Emma, Marlie & Bella on their RYPEN Experience in 2024
- In August, our District Governor, Pat Schraven was welcomed to the club night, along with our cross border brethren from the Pinjarra Rotary Club.
- Wendy Wiley, Soroptimists International Mandurah, came and spoke about their 2025, Back to School Project.

- Wesley Sim, Shelterbox, came and spoke to club members about the very important work this organisation does, in partnership with Rotary, in supporting disaster relief.
- Kelly Mansfield a representative of Bridge Builders spoke about their 'Crisis and Emergency Relief Program'
- Veronica Smith, spoke on her involvement with philanthropy and charity work in Mandurah
- Elaine Schar [our resident exchange student], gave a presentation to club members and guests on her family and home town in Switzerland
- A fellow Rotarian, Hudson Al Barcoma gave the club member an update on the Solar Case in the Philippines, and what new projects Global Nurses & Midwives Rotary Club are currently promoting
- Dr. Ryan Kennedy, Origin Family Chiropractic, enlightened club members on the benefits of 'Enhancing Your Healthy Lifestyle
- Rosie Bell & Julie Glover, WA Mums Cottage, presented to the club the important work they do in supporting disadvantaged families and women in crisis
- Back for another round, Elaine enriched the club with her experience at the RYPEN Camp
- Cycling Without Age came along and presented to the club, 'Trishaw Rod', [who through the generous support of the club and one of our ex-club members, Nathan Atkinson], another mobility utility to add to their ranks.
- We had a RYLA presentation from Isabelle Worthington & Chantall Barlow [both sponsored by the club]. Their joint presentation was how this worthwhile and 'out of your comfort zone' experience helped them in developing an young adults
- Kate Barrett-Lennard, gave a very insightful presentation on the life of Keli Lane
- And no season would be complete without a visit from our 'then' Member of Parliament, The Honorable David Templeman MLA, on 'My Years in Parliament'. David had no end of quips and tales to keep club members glued to his 'every' word.

On top of our guest speakers, we also had input from club members by way of 'spot' and 'planned' quiz nights, and training sessions, thanks to John Kevan & Martin Sadle, for new [and not so new] club members.

PRESIDENT'S CLOSING

The 2024–2025 year has shown the true power of service, partnership, and community spirit.

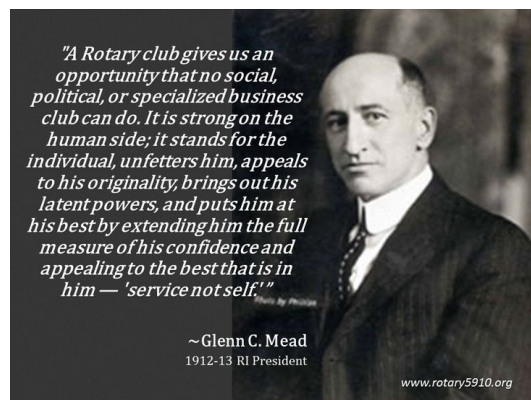
The Rotary Club of Mandurah Districts has delivered on its mission, distributing nearly half of all funds raised to local and international causes.

Our major events, inclusive programs, and youth initiatives have built a legacy of impact and hope.

As we look ahead, we remain committed to “Service Above Self,” ready to embrace new challenges and opportunities in the year to come.

I want to thank all of the board members for steering me through the first year in the position of Club President.

I want to thank all of the club members for supporting the Board of Directors as they have navigated through this year, without club member support, the efforts put into all of the community projects, community fund raising events, the tireless, selfless hours of volunteer work, both in our local community, throughout the State and Australia, and Overseas, it truly reflects on our club as being a leading entity in the Mandurah and Peel Region for charitable work.



The next 12 months, I want to encourage those club members who have not taken up a leadership role [there are still some vacancies], to look deep inside and accept the challenge for what a rewarding and worthwhile role it is to be a leader in this esteemed club, Mandurah Districts Rotary.

And now I would like to introduce you to your club executive officers for 2025-2026:

Club President - Pete Smith

Club Secretary - Chris Depiazzi

Club Treasurer - Phil Brown [Phil will also hold the portfolio of Club Service/ Administration until a President Elect has been nominated]

Vocational Director - Trevor Wilson

Foundation/international Director - Mike Kirke

Community Service Director - Bridget Jones

Youth Service Director - Vacant

Club President Elect - Vacant

Club President Elect Nominee - Bridget Jones

Pete Smith

Club President

2025-2026

ROTARIANS IN ACTION



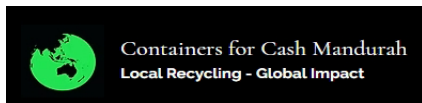


A WORD FROM OUR SPONSORS & SUPPORTERS

THE CHARITY GOLF DAY



FAMILY FUN DAY & DUCK RACES





Rotary

Acquaintance
Fellowship
Connections Ideas Opportunity

Expertise
Action Fair Respectful Ethical
Integrity
Accountability Honor

Understanding International
Diversity Youth
Peace
Membership Commitments United

Community Education Health
Vocational
Service

Economy Club Scholarship Friendship

Relationships Development
Leadership
Sincere Responsible Professional

APPENDIX A

**Mandurah Districts Rotary Inc
Profit & Loss by Class
July 2024 through June 2025**

	<u>Charity</u>	<u>Duck Race</u>	<u>Wishing Well</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Income				
Cash for Containers - Donations	97.90	0.00	0.00	97.90
Community Services Fundraising				
Lift the Lid - Entry Fees/Merch	150.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Lift the Lid - Sausage Sizzle	24.00	0.00	0.00	24.00
Lift the Lid Walk - Sponsor	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Total Community Services Fundraising	<u>1,674.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,674.00</u>
District Grants	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Donations Received				
Donations Received - Other	485.30	24.15	0.00	509.45
Total Donations Received	<u>485.30</u>	<u>24.15</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>509.45</u>
Duck Race/Fun Day				
Childrens Activities	0.00	403.70	0.00	403.70
Chocolate Wheel	0.00	2,434.19	0.00	2,434.19
Duck Race/Fun Day \$5 Ticket Sal				
Community Group Sales	0.00	33,725.00	0.00	33,725.00
Online Sales	0.00	15,150.00	0.00	15,150.00
Rotary Sales	0.00	12,455.00	0.00	12,455.00
Total Duck Race/Fun Day \$5 Ticket Sal	<u>0.00</u>	<u>61,330.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>61,330.00</u>
Duck Race/Fun Day \$50 Ticket Sa	0.00	6,100.00	0.00	6,100.00
Duck Race/Fun Day Sponsors				
Duck Race/Fun Day SponsolnKind	0.00	1,050.00	0.00	1,050.00
Duck Race/Fun Day Sponsors - Other	0.00	17,000.00	0.00	17,000.00
Total Duck Race/Fun Day Sponsors	<u>0.00</u>	<u>18,050.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>18,050.00</u>
Sausage Sizzle	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,611.10</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>4,611.10</u>
Total Duck Race/Fun Day	<u>0.00</u>	<u>92,928.99</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>92,928.99</u>
Golf Day	13,000.00	0.00	0.00	13,000.00
Nestle Coffee Sales	2,300.00	0.00	0.00	2,300.00
Parking/Marshalling	20,689.95	0.00	0.00	20,689.95
Sausage Sizzles	4,983.40	0.00	0.00	4,983.40
Sumba Water Project Donations	35,956.00	0.00	0.00	35,956.00
Swap Meet Income				
Bay Hire	5,691.00	0.00	0.00	5,691.00
Insurance Levy	1,317.95	0.00	0.00	1,317.95
Sausage Sizzle	3,579.91	0.00	0.00	3,579.91
Total Swap Meet Income	<u>10,588.86</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>10,588.86</u>
Wishing Well Income	0.00	0.00	21,801.95	21,801.95
Youth Exchange Emergency Fund				
Cecilia Firetti 2023/24	-500.00	0.00	0.00	-500.00
Eliane Schar 2024/25	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Total Youth Exchange Emergency Fund	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Income	<u>91,775.41</u>	<u>92,953.14</u>	<u>21,801.95</u>	<u>206,530.50</u>

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Gross Profit	91,775.41	92,953.14	21,801.95	206,530.50
Expense				
4 Way Test Speech Contest	559.95	0.00	0.00	559.95
Administration costs	4,500.00	0.00	0.00	4,500.00
Bank Fees				
CBA MSF	2,282.21	354.83	0.00	2,637.04
Total Bank Fees	<u>2,282.21</u>	<u>354.83</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2,637.04</u>
Chamber of Commerce	275.00	0.00	0.00	275.00
Club Runner	1,049.73	0.00	0.00	1,049.73
Community Projects/Programs				
Dignity Bags	38.70	0.00	0.00	38.70
Food Bank	1,201.00	0.00	0.00	1,201.00
Foster Share Shed	69.56	0.00	0.00	69.56
Halls Head College Ed Support	1,270.00	0.00	0.00	1,270.00
Lift the Lid Walk	910.73	0.00	0.00	910.73
Mandurah Enviromental Heritage	1,127.00	0.00	0.00	1,127.00
Mandurah Family History Societ	1,100.00	0.00	0.00	1,100.00
Mandurah Legends	857.40	0.00	0.00	857.40
Ocean Road Primary School	1,354.00	0.00	0.00	1,354.00
Passages Peel	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Peel Wellness Wednesday	30.00	0.00	0.00	30.00
Rise Walk Shine	1,003.15	0.00	0.00	1,003.15
Sail into Life Program				
Sail into Life Program - Other	95.76	0.00	0.00	95.76
Total Sail into Life Program	<u>95.76</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>95.76</u>
Sorptimist Int of Mandurah	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
Community Projects/Programs - Other	259.05	0.00	0.00	259.05
Total Community Projects/Programs	<u>13,816.35</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>13,816.35</u>
Dinner Costs	425.00	0.00	0.00	425.00
Duck Race Distribution				
Community Groups	0.00	16,407.50	0.00	16,407.50
Mandurah SLSC	0.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Total Duck Race Distribution	<u>0.00</u>	<u>17,407.50</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>17,407.50</u>
Duck Race Expenses				
Ambulance	0.00	924.00	0.00	924.00
Audio Expense	0.00	7,300.00	0.00	7,300.00
Childrens Activities	0.00	308.97	0.00	308.97
Chocolate Wheel Expenses	0.00	49.00	0.00	49.00
Equipment Hire/Purchase	0.00	5,199.60	0.00	5,199.60
Permits & Fees	0.00	264.00	0.00	264.00
Printing and stationery	0.00	5,014.56	0.00	5,014.56
Radio Broadcast/Roving Mic	0.00	500.00	0.00	500.00
Royal Life Saving Society	0.00	608.52	0.00	608.52
Sausage Sizzle Purchases	0.00	1,793.75	0.00	1,793.75

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Square/On Line Fees	0.00	333.30	0.00	333.30
Thankyou Function/Expenses	0.00	2,381.33	0.00	2,381.33
Total Duck Race Expenses	0.00	24,677.03	0.00	24,677.03
Duck Race Prize Cost/Distribute	0.00	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Guests/Guest Speaker Dinner Cos	573.50	0.00	0.00	573.50
Membership Development Costs	20.00	0.00	0.00	20.00
Parking/Marshalling/Crab Fest				
Irwinians Hockey Club	1,250.00	0.00	0.00	1,250.00
John Tonkin College	2,500.00	0.00	0.00	2,500.00
Mandurah Hockey Club	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Mandurah Surf Life Saving Club	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Peel Football Umpires Assoc	2,000.00	0.00	0.00	2,000.00
Starry Army Fundraising Inc	1,750.00	0.00	0.00	1,750.00
Toxic Cheer & Dance	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
Parking/Marshalling/Crab Fest - Other	183.63	0.00	0.00	183.63
Total Parking/Marshalling/Crab Fest	11,183.63	0.00	0.00	11,183.63
Postage	181.00	0.00	0.00	181.00
RAWCS				
QLD/NSW Filod Appeal	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
Total RAWCS	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
RI Foundation Contributions				
Polio Plus Fund	1,000.00	0.00	0.00	1,000.00
RI Foundation Contributions - Other	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
Total RI Foundation Contributions	4,000.00	0.00	0.00	4,000.00
RYLA Expense	1,985.00	0.00	0.00	1,985.00
RYPEN Expense	855.00	0.00	0.00	855.00
Sausage Sizzles Purchases	2,446.05	0.00	0.00	2,446.05
School Citizenship Awards	2,700.00	0.00	0.00	2,700.00
Sumba Water Project	45,035.44	0.00	0.00	45,035.44
Swap Meet Expenses				
BBQ Trailer				
Trailer Rego/License	87.00	0.00	0.00	87.00
BBQ Trailer - Other	2,619.57	0.00	0.00	2,619.57
Total BBQ Trailer	2,706.57	0.00	0.00	2,706.57
Swap Meet Equipment	3,261.70	0.00	0.00	3,261.70
Swap Meet Insurance	1,513.83	0.00	0.00	1,513.83
Swap Meet Expenses - Other	1,129.70	0.00	0.00	1,129.70
Total Swap Meet Expenses	8,611.80	0.00	0.00	8,611.80
Vocational Projects/Programs				
Dinner Costs - Visits	166.73	0.00	0.00	166.73
Total Vocational Projects/Programs	166.73	0.00	0.00	166.73
Wishing Well Expenses				
Set-up Expenses	0.00	0.00	1,234.82	1,234.82

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Total Wishing Well Expenses	0.00	0.00	1,234.82	1,234.82
Youth Exchange Expense	3,879.89	0.00	0.00	3,879.89
Total Expense	<u>108,546.28</u>	<u>57,439.36</u>	<u>1,234.82</u>	<u>167,220.46</u>
Net Income	<u><u>-16,770.87</u></u>	<u><u>35,513.78</u></u>	<u><u>20,567.13</u></u>	<u><u>39,310.04</u></u>