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Munding
an Aboriginal word
meaning Spinifex or
Long Grass

Burra
meaning People or Tribe

The origin of the
Townsville suburb
Mundingburra

**UNITE
FOR
GOOD**



RI President
Francesco Arezzo

District 9560 Governor
Greg Marlow

Club President
Alan Nelson

RCoM Vision Statement

"To become more visible within the community with a focus on diversity of gender and culture as a community service club whilst embracing the avenues of service of Rotary International".

"The 4 Way Test"

Of the things we think, say or do.

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

July: Theme – Maternal and Child Health Month

Edition 03 – 17th July 2025

Club Forum

6pm for 6.30pm – Bowls Club

President Alans Address

Last week saw the first meeting of the new Rotary. Sadly, this also saw the passing of a remarkably gifted and dedicated Rotarian PDG Robert Tardiani. Not doubt, Sue and their family are upper most in our thoughts.

I've known Robert long before my time in Rotary from my time with the Australian Taxation Officer. As a legal officer, I work closely with the accountants and legal and finance professions through various fora and media.

Robert was always the consummate professional which a superb legal technical knowledge, dry wit and a deliberate delivery that was profoundly engaging and descriptive. All enhanced by a little look of mischief in his eyes and an impish grin. Robert's DG year 2017-18 that coincided with my first term and club president.

Robert has been battling cancer for a while and yet this didn't stop him from being the fierce champion and supporter of the Townsville School Interact Club. Truly, the mark of the man.

I'm sure we are all blessed with fabulous memories of Robert which we will treasure.

To Sue and their family, I offer our condolences, love and support through his difficult time.

Robert's Funeral details

21st July at 10am

Morley Chapel at the Lakes.

If possible, please wear Rotary shirt to form an honour guard

Our speakers last week were, Pastor Laufili Ah-You, and Trish Harrington from Adventist Relief and Development Agency (ADRA)

Pr Laufili spoke of the role reach and focus of ADRA. In many ways this overlaps with the areas of focus of Rotary. Trish spoke about the ADRA Community Pantry Townsville that helps feed a significant number of people in our community. For \$5 people get to fill 3 grocery bags with food of their choice.



Trish explained they need additional warehousing to assist with meeting the demand.

With NQ Food relief being absorbed by Food bank, which is Brisbane base we are looking to redirecting that we used to direct to NQ food relief. They will discuss this at the next meeting.

Importantly, we need someone to step up to fill Bill Barber's shoes with the set up and take down and clean-up of the two Bunning BBQs while he is taking a much-deserved holiday.

We also need someone to step up to wrangle club volunteers and community partners during Bill's break.

There is genuine time pressure here so reach out to Bill for further information

We also need members to raise their hands to be on the Rotary fields committee. These events need to happen, and many hands make light work. Speak with Michael and Katrina, please.

I'd like to thank John Hall for agreeing to assist with the program and rostering for club meetings. John brings a wealth of knowledge and skill to the job. If you know a potential speaker, please email him on: jmiljjmc1@bigpond.com

Next week's meeting is a club forum. Please bring your thoughts, ideas and wish lists.

Yours in Rotary, Alan

Forward Roster Duties Plan

If you are unable to fulfill your rostered duty it is **YOUR** responsibility to find a replacement. Please notify **Jaye** of any changes.
Meeting apologies to Attendance Officer: @ katanya.lee@carter-spencer.com.au or text to 0409 536 169 by 10 am on Mondays.

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
17 th July	R Degenhart	P Gordon	I Jones	I Corney	M Day	K Davis
24 th July	D Nutt	P Gordon	R Lacaze	M Day	A Bosch	M Whitworth
31 st July	J Beutel	P Gordon	S Smith	Kat Lee	B Muguira	K Mckenzie
7 th Aug	G Luckel	P Gordon	P Holmes	K Davis	K Davis	G Luckel
14 th Aug	I Jones	P Gordon	G Luckel	D Nutt	R Deganhardt	B Robinson

Facts & Figures

Total Member Count: 45
Number Used for Attendance: 42
Leave of Absence: 2
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 22
Total Credits for Last Week: 3
Percentage Attendance for Last Meeting: 59.52%
Apologies: T Leow, G Kenna, J Beutel, L Svanosio, M Whitworth, J Baker
Visiting Rotarians:
Club Guests: Pastor Ah-You & Tricia Hatfield from ADRA
Community Pantry
Guests: Nil

Important Dates – 14th July to 20th July

Member Birthdays

Neil Andrews – 4th July

Spouse/Partner Birthdays

Nil

Wedding Anniversaries

Robyn & Neil Andrews 11th July – 44 years

Judy Burchett & Peter Holmes 12th July – 11 years

Rotary Membership Anniversaries

Nil

Takings

Registration	\$415.00
Sergeant	\$31.40
Raffle	\$48.00
Joker	\$53.00 (Joker Jackpot \$613.90)

Partners & Guests are welcome to any meeting
Meeting Times: 6pm for 6.30pm Start



Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
March	<i>July: Theme - Maternal and Child Health Month</i>	
17 th July	Club Members Forum	Cutheringa Bowls Club
24 th July	To be Advised	
31 July	To be Advised	

Townsville Rotary Market Roster

27th July	Willows Market	Helper 1 @ 6.30am -12N	19 th July - Saturday	Bunnings Domain
			3 rd August - Sunday	Bunnings Domain

BBQ Dates

“The Object of Rotary”

Is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

Second: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

Third: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

Fourth: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace, through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

- advised of the sad news of Robert Tardiani's passing
- requested that Past President Peter Kay conduct a presentation of the George and Doreen Kimlin award for the Club Rotarian of the Year.



Past President Peter Kay presented Bill Barber with the award being the recipient of the shield/award – **Rotarian of the Year.**



PP Peter Kaye presenting the award

President Alan then continued his address and advised:

- next week was a club forum – an opportunity for members to raise concerns and/or suggestions
- that the President Elect's position was still currently vacant and requested that all members consider this position



Meeting Review

Adventist Relief and Development Agency (ADRA) Presentation

Chairman Ryan Lacaze opened the meeting, and proceeded with the Four Way Test.

Registration was delivered by Phil Gordon highlighting and welcoming the following guests:

Guest Speakers: Tricia Hatfield and Pastor AhYou ADRA (Pantry Cupboard).

President Alan Nelson:

- welcomed all members and guests

- committee were still seeking assistance with the Admin position – Jaye Beutel has done a fabulous job but needs to be relieved of his duties – please consider – all members would still need to be of assistance with identifying suitable guest speakers
- John Hall has agreed to do the Admin role for a short-term solution

Reports:

Marketing – **Katrina Davis** advised

- that the NQ Field Day committee comprised of 4 ROM members with the Chair being the only other committee member being from another club – assistance was still desperately required

Ron Degenhart stated:

- that Jan and he were attending the Interact Club Meeting
- Interact Club Members were still very interested in travelling to Timor Leste
- Interact Club is still collecting mobile phones to assist the students in Timor Leste.



Ron Degenhart

Bill Barber:

- thanked everyone for the support he had received throughout the year
- advised he was going on 5 weeks holidays and during this time there are 2 sausage sizzles
- requires someone to replace him during this time – follow up with volunteers and partners
- apologised for his absence at Changeover dinner – however Girl Guides Bluewater project was now complete
- reiterated the need for volunteers on the NQ Field Day Committee.

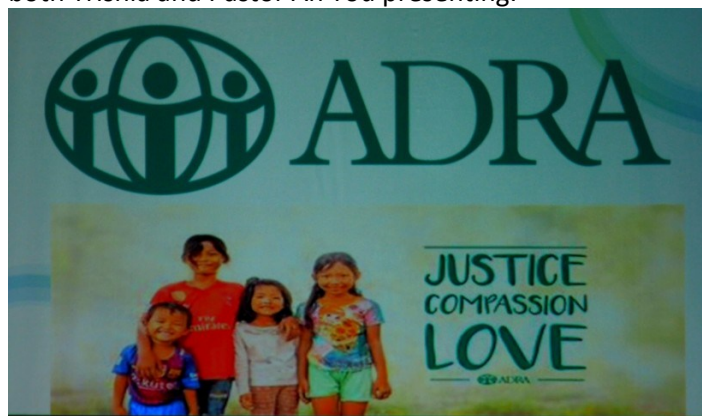


Bill Barber

Guest Speaker

Bill Barber introduced Guest Speakers from ADRA, Trishia Hatfield and Pastor Ah You

Guest Speaker Presentation was very informative with both Trishia and Pastor Ah You presenting.



Pastor Ah You commenced with a slide show – highlighting the good work that the 7 Day Adventist Church throughout >100 countries worldwide, ADRA being the official humanitarian section of the church. They have assisted during floods in TSV, PI and Ingham. His area which he covers is NQ, TSI and NT.

In 2014 the need for a food pantry in Townsville was identified with the doors opening in Francis Street West End on 23.01.2015 having 1370 people utilising the service during that year and in 2024, 11511 people utilised the service.



Pastor Ah You

The service is only open for 3.5 hours on a Friday commencing at 7 am with many people lining up much earlier than that. It once was for anyone with a concession card, it is now a \$5 donation which will buy a person 3 bags of groceries of their own choice. This project is supported by many distribution centres including Carter Spencer and Oz Harvest. It has grown with other services such as Orange Sky (mobile laundry), free BBQ and coffee table, Hair Aid (6 weekly) and Thread Together (free new clothes).

Annual Food Pantry Totals since 2015

Year	Visits	Extra	Total	New	Adults	Chn
2015	1190	140	1370	253		
2016	2097	404	2494	328		
2017	3000	560	3560	350		
2018	3113	805	3918	435		
2019	2907	1157	4064	471	4393	2071
2020	2610	1395	4047	271	5170	2235
2021	3800	1850	5650	420	8112	2526
2022	5906	2957	7873	546	10044	3195
2023	8013	2932	10922	672	13961	5919
2024	9105	2506	11511	939	14835	7410
2025	4318	1764	6100	449	7953	4396
Totals	46071	16470	61518	5134	64468	27752



Trishia Hatfield from ADRA

With 40 volunteers, some of whom are past clients they make it work in a very small space. ADRA is seeking the assistance of a suitable commercial building to expand their program.

Jan Johnson gave the vote of thanks saying that she was totally unaware that the problem was as big as it is in Townsville.



Jan Johnson

Peter Holmes – Sergeant:

- commenced with advising of another member, Wayne Haller, who is unwell and presently in hospital, Alzheimer's had mostly taken over and as a result his family were looking to placing him a nursing home for the best possible care.
- Fined Neil for both a birthday and wedding anniversary.
- Quizzed the members about the SOO with Johnno and Katrina both knowing answers
- Hammered us with on this day questions that very few of us knew

In closing President Alan:

- thanked the guest speakers for the presentation
- advised it would be likely that there would be a \$1000 donation being made to them directly after the next board meeting
- Noted that he could see that ADRA had similar values to Rotary with humanitarian work.
- Reminded everyone of the assistance needed with NQ Field Day and volunteers for Bunnings.

Raffles

Results as follows:

Red Wine: Blue F29 Jan Johnson

White Wine: Blue F37 Shane Smith

Joker: E32 Shane Smith 6 Hearts



Meeting closed: 7.40pm

News Flash

PDG's Peter Kaye and Ron Degenhart represented our club at the 70th Birthday of the Ayr Rotary Club on Saturday night, 12th July 2025. Thanks Guys.

