



Munding
an Aboriginal word
meaning Spinifex or
Long Grass

Burra
meaning People or Tribe
The origin of the
Townsville suburb
Mundingburra



RI President

Stephanie A. Urchick

District 9560 Governor

Andrew Gillespie

Club President

Peter Kaye

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?

"Membership & Extension Month"

Spinifex Edition "09 – 29th August 2024
El Salvador – Alfredo Campos

President's Message

One of the takeaways from last week's guest speaker Graham Morgan on his topic Code Breaking at Bletchley Park, was the significant role Townsville played in the project during WWII. It was fascinating to learn Graham's parents were part of the team at Bletchley and how they were sworn to secrecy. Who knows what the outcome of the war might have been had the Enigma Code not been broken.

As you know I have been banging on about the importance of succession, and I am very pleased to announce the Board has unanimously approved the nomination of Alan Nelson for the position of President-Elect, and who will lead the club in 2025/26. Alan is an excellent choice, and I am grateful that he has stepped forward.

We have a project proposal to offer an information seminar to year 10 students who might be interested in pursuing a career in medicine. The Project called "Introduction to Medicine" will be driven by Vocational Service Director Karl, with Dr Alan, Dr Tim and Dr Con Savis. The project has received encouraging support from JCU medical school allowing a preliminary meeting to discuss logistics. We envisage the seminar will be held in February

Next meeting will be a pizza night with guest speaker Alfredo Campos. Alfredo hails from El Salvador and will give us some insight into his country.

A reminder the DG's combined club visit **Tuesday** 03 September which will be held at the bowls club in lieu of our normal Thursday meeting. There will be no meeting here on Thursday 5th September, so please diarise.

Have a great week
PK



Forward Roster Duties Plan

If you are unable to fulfill your rostered duty it is **YOUR** responsibility to find a replacement. Please notify Lyn of any changes. Meeting apologies to Attendance Officer: Jan Johnson janjohnson37@gmail.com or text to 0409 783 810 by 10 am on Mondays.

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
29 th Aug	I Jones	P Gordon	R Lacaze	M Whitworth	W Haller	G Stephens
3 rd Sept	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
12 th Sept	R Degenhart	P Gordon	S Smith	K Davis		

Facts & Figures

Total Member Count: 41
Number Used for Attendance: 36
Leave of Absence: 4
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 25
Total Credits for Last Week: 1
Percentage Attendance for Last Meeting: 61.90%
Apologies: B Robinson, K Lee, R Degenhart, R & S Tardiani, B Muguira, A Nelson, A Bosch
Visiting Rotarians: Nil
Club Guests: Graham Morgan
Guests: Marcia Morrison, Claudie Trave

Coming Important Dates 26th Aug – 1st Sept

Member Birthdays
 Ian Jones – 27th August
Spouse/Partner Birthdays
 Ian Jones – 27th August
Anniversaries
 Nil
Join Date
 Robert Tardiani – 1st Sept (32 years)

Takings

Registration \$475.00
 Sergeant \$37.60
 Raffle \$42.00
 Joker \$52.00 (Joker Jackpot **\$345.80**)

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

Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
June	Membership and Extension Month	
25 th Aug	<i>Item of interest - Lift the Lid walk at Riverway - Sunday</i>	8am to 10.30am Riverway
29 th Sept	EL Salvador- Alfredo Campos	Cutheringa Bowls Club
3 rd Sept	District Governors Visit – Tuesday Night	Cutheringa Bowls Club
5 th Sept	No Meeting due to DG's visit on Tuesday night	
5 th Sept	<i>Item of interest – Teddy Bears Picnic - Thursday</i>	9.30am -11.30am Toy Library
7 th Sept	<i>Item of Interest -Blah High School finals – Saturday</i>	5-10pm at JCU

Townsville Rotary Market Roster -

BBQ Dates

1 st Sept	Sun	Willows Markets A/Co-Ord	J Baker	Sun 1 st Sept	Bunnings Domain – Volunteers needed
8 th Sept	Sun	Willows Markets Co-Ord	?	Sat 14 th Sept	Bunnings Domain – Volunteers needed
29 th Sept	Sun	Willows Markets A/Co-Ord	?	Sun 29 th Sept	Bunnings Domain – Volunteers needed

“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:

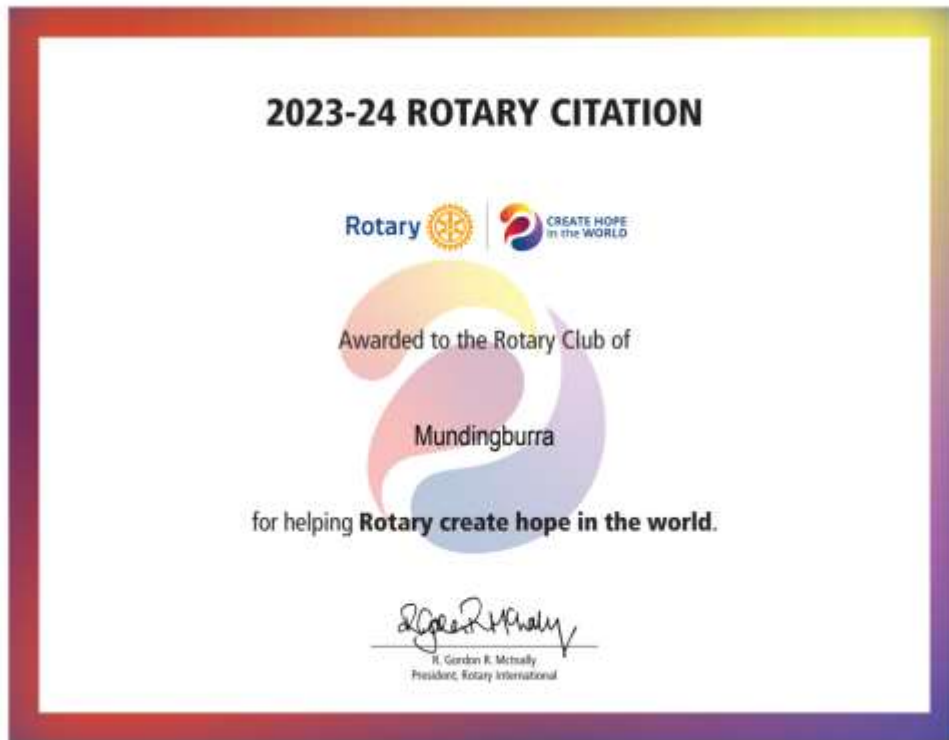
First: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

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.





Well Done to Lyn, her Board, and club members for 2023-24

Last Week's Review

Chairperson, PP Lyn opened the meeting and led members in excellently reciting the 4 Way test.



Chairperson Lyn Opening the meeting.

Phil Gordon then introduced our guest for the evening, Who were Graham Morgan, our Guest Speaker, Marcia Morrison, and the departing Claudia Trave.



Phil was also celebrating his 86th Birthday

Presidents Opening Address

President Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting and hoped they enjoyed would should be a good night, with an interesting guest speaker talking about some very important history.

Peter also advised that Alan Nelson had graciously accepted the role of President Elect for our club.

Guest Speaker Introduction

Our guest speaker this week was Graham Morgan, introduced by Shane Smith, who, in welcoming Graham, provided some history on his presentation that Shane gleaned from the Internet. Shane welcomed Graham to the floor to do his presentation.



A shy Shane doing his Intro to Graham



Guest Speaker -Graham Morgan

Graham commenced his talk with a thank you for the offer to present to the club on a subject that has a personal touch for him.

Speaking to us about Bletchley Park & The Enigma Code. Bletchley Park is an English country house and estate in Bletchley, Milton Keynes (Buckinghamshire) that became the principal centre of Allied code-breaking during the Second World War.

During World War 11, the estate housed the Government Code and Cypher School (GC & CS) which regularly penetrated the secret communications of the Axis Powers and more importantly the German Enigma and Lorenz Ciphers.



Graham Morgan presenting his talk

Breaking these codes is reported to have saved millions of lives and shortened the War by at least 2 years.

The code was broken in 1942, using the worlds first computer "BOMBE" and the Collsus Computer.

Admiral Hugh Sinclair was the founder and Head of GC&CS between 1919 and 1938 with Commander Alastair Denniston being operational head of the organization from 1919 to 1942, beginning with its formation from Admiralty's Room 40 and The war Office.

Key GC&CS cryptanalysts moved to Bletchley Park to continue their work. These people had a variety of backgrounds – linguists and chess champions were common.

To boost their numbers The British War Office recruited top solvers of cryptic crossword puzzles as these individuals had strong lateral thinking skills.

Commander Sinclair wrote to the Foreign Office at the declaration of war about recruiting professors from Cambridge and Oxford Universities.

Trustworthy women were similarly recruited for administrative and clerical jobs.

Dennison also recognized however that the enemy's use of electromechanical cipher machines meant that formally trained mathematicians would also be needed.

Although suspected due to the sudden decrease in shipping losses to the Allied forces from early 1942 The Axis Powers never accepted that The Enigma Code could be broken due to the fact that the code sequence changed at midnight every day.

Our guest speakers parents, Dorothy & Edward Morgan both worked at Bletchley Park. Graham never knew what his father did during the war and only by chance in the mid 1970's did he find out through a Mini Series – "The Secret War".

In mid 1970 the Official Secrets Act finally allowed those involved in what went on at Bletchley Park, being allowed to tell of their time at Bletchley park and be awarded for their service.

Bletchley Park continued operations under The Government Code & Cypher School until 1946 when all documentations and records were destroyed.

Those who worked at Bletchley Park were sworn to secrecy under The Official Secrets Act which prevented them from divulging what went on at or of their involvement during this time.

Due to speaker time restraints, we were all left wanting to hear more about this fascinating aspect of history.

Guest Speaker Thanks

David Nutt, who has a military background, thanked Graham for the presentation, and highlighted that all of us today have been impacted by the wonderful work this group did many years ago as life would have been much different had this team not been so successful at finding the right way to break the code.



David Nutt thanked Graham for his presentation

Jim Baker had the winning ticket but failed draw the wrong card for the money. Very disappointed he said.

Raffle Winners

Red – Peer Kaye??? Or was it Shane Smith
White – Michael Day

Chairman Person Lyn closed the meeting with a toast to Rotary International.

Thanks to Scribe Greg Luckel,

Directors Report

Jim Morrison advised our past president Lyn Svanosio, was presented with a Rotary Citation for the Club's achievement of the RI goals for 2023-24. Jim advised this is the last RI Citation as they are now moving to Club Excellence Award certificates.

Lyn advised that the award, whilst presented to the past President, is to the club overall. Lyn thanked everyone for the support she had during the year which made it a success.

David Nutt called for volunteers for Rotary Markets as well as Bunnings Sausage Sizzle and received a response that filled some vacant positions. More opportunities need filling please.

Neil Andrews advised as there was still some work still to be completed at the location, the Teddy Bears picnic was postponed until 5th September (9.30 to 11.30) at Townsville Toy Library.

Sergeant Session

Our sergeant session, managed by Bill Barber took on another "This Day in History" which resulted in some weird and quirky answers. Looks like we ALL should brush up on our history.

There was only one Good Deed this week – Jaye Beutel who took one for the team, listening to his fellow passenger nonstop on a return flight to Townsville.

Presidents Closing

President Peter Kaye reminded us about Family Night on 26th September

A Membership Night has been set down for 10th October.

Joker Draw

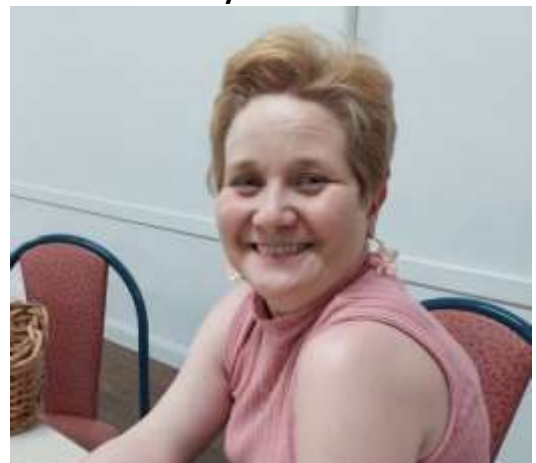
Spy Photos



Katrina Davis



Jaye Beutel



Aloisia Ferolja



Miscellaneous Items

Saving Lids – Ian Jones



Don't forget your empty Bottles & Cans can make a difference



THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

District Governor's Club Visit

- The Future of Rotary -

Tuesday 3rd September, 2024
6.30pm
Cutheringa Bowls Club, West End

All Members & Partners are invited from the Rotary Clubs of:

- Mundingburra
- Port of Townsville
- Ross River
- Thuringowa Central
- Townsville
- Townsville Central
- Townsville Daybreak
- Townsville Saints
- Townsville Sunrise

Rotary District 9560

DG ANDREW GILLESPIE PHF

Please book through your Club by 26 Aug - Dinner \$30pp

Rotary Club of Mundingburra Past Presidents

1958	J. Charles Butler PDG	1979/80	John Switzer	2002/03	Shane Smith
1958/59	Fred Greig	1980/81	George Rice	2003/04	Ron Degenhart PDG
1959/60	Jack McLay	1981/82	John Hartland	2004/05	Vince Nielsen
1960/61	Dick Keating	1982/83	John Le Cornu	2005/06	Bob Doyle
1961/62	Gordon McHugh	1983/84	Darcy Cooke	2006/07	Fred Gillham
1962/63	Kevin King	1984/85	Reg Stortenbecker	2007/08	Neil Andrews
1963/64	Bill Miller	1985/86	Charles Zahner	2008/09	Brad Groves
1964/65	Bert Hanran	1986/87	Allan Cummings	2009/10	Ray Hatton
1965/66	Stan Strange PDG	1987/88	Graham Weir	2010/11	Ray Pendle
1966/67	Cec Denman	1988/89	David Carmichael	2011/12	Ron Degenhart PDG
1967/68	Arthur Hopkins	1989/90	Bill Kennedy	2012/13	John Hall
1968/69	Ellis Frost	1990/91	Laurie Quinlan	2013/14	Jim Foley
1969/70	Norm Clibborn	1991/92	Graham Stephens	2014/15	Graeme Kenna
1970/71	Bill Barber Snr	1992/93	Peter Kaye PDG	2015/16	Paul Barker-Hudson
1971/72	Reg Watkins	1993/94	Geoff Maidens	2016/17	Jim Baker
1972/73	Keith Christensen	1994/95	Bill Muguira	2017/18	Alan Nelson
1973/74	Allan Cutmore	1995/96	Bob Shaw	2018/19	Miriam Owato
1974/75	Pat O'Shea	1996/97	Bill Barber	2019/20	Sue Lloyd
1975/76	Hollis Parker	1997/98	Steve Ritchie	2020/21	Shane Smith
1976/77	Alex Stuart	1998/99	Ian Weller	2021/22	Ryan Lacaze
1977/78	George Kimlin	1999/00	Doug McDonald	2022/23	Claudia Trave
1978	Ian Costello	2000/01	John Blood	2023/24	Lyn Svanosio
1978	George Kimlin	2001/02	Trevor Philipson		