

Spinifex



Rotary Club of Mundingburra Inc.

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Club ID Number 17739, District 9560

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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*



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?

"Disease Prevention and Treatment Month"

Spinifex Edition 23 – 5th December 2024

Annual General Meeting Night

President's Message

On Country Craft Distillery Tasting presentation by Claire and Jenny was fascinating. Claire is a proud aboriginal woman and articulate speaker; I am sure she would have been happy with the response and sales of their unique Gin.

Many thanks to Neil, Dr Alan and Jonsey for operating the sausage sizzle at Alice River last Saturday. Thanks also to Ian and Arlin who with myself set up and operated the toy stall at the Alice River Community Centre.

Regrettably this toy swap event was poorly attended, however Mundingburra's presence was very visible, and I am sure appreciated by the Alice River Community Association.

Hopefully the free Australia Day celebrations at the same venue will be more successful.

Thanks to those supporting Movember by growing a Mo and or contributing to the cause. We are on track to surpass last year's efforts.

Congratulations to Neil Andrews being named RSL Townsville Golfer of the year.

Please remember upcoming events:

- AGM 05 December,
- Finska at the Nelson's 12 December,
- Christmas party Sunday 15 December.

Please assist at Bunnings BBQs and Rotary Markets if you can.

Have a great week.



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 |
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| 5 th Dec | G Stephens | Phil Gordon | A Nelson | G Kenna | N/A | N/A |
| 12 th Dec | L Svanosio | Phil Gordon | P Holmes | J Morrison | N/A | N/A |
| 15 th Dec | N/A | Phil Gordon | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| 26 th Dec | N/A | Phil Gordon | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

Facts & Figures

Total Member Count: 40
Number Used for Attendance: 35
Leave of Absence: 4
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 24
Total Credits for Last Week: 4
Percentage Attendance for Last Meeting: 68.28%
Apologies: , G Kenna, J Johnson, R & S Tardiani, J Johnson, J Baker, K Lee, J Foley, G Stephens, W Haller
Visiting Rotarians: Nil
Club Guests: Sammy Hanson, plus Clair and Jenny (Guest Speakers).
Guests: W Muguira, D Rigano, S Luckel, M McKenzie, C Dangeluddece, C Nelson.

Coming Important Dates 1st Dec – 7th Dec

Member Birthdays
 Ian Corney – 3rd Dec
Spouse/Partner Birthdays
 Sarah Leow – 4th December
Wedding Anniversaries
 Nil
Join Date Anniversaries
 David Nutt 3rd Dec - 9 Years
 Dave Dymock 5th Dec – 11 Years

Takings

Registration \$600.00
 Sergeant \$54.64
 Raffle \$49.00
 Joker \$66.00 (**Joker Jackpot \$584.40**)

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

Program & Coming Events

| Date | Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event | Venue |
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| December | Disease Prevention and Treatment Month | |
| 5 th Dec | AGM | Cutheringa Bowls Club |
| 12 th Dec | Fabulous Finska Night at Dr Alans place | 40 Mango Ave Mundingburra |
| 15 th Dec | Family Christmas Party | Cutheringa Bowls Club |
| 9 th Jan | First meeting for 2025 | Cutheringa Bowls Club |

Townsville Rotary Market Roster -

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| 15 th Dec | Sun | Willows Markets | Helper Needed | Sat 7 th Dec | Bunnings Domain -Volunteers needed |
| 22 nd Dec | Sun | Willows Markets | Helper Needed | Sun 22 nd Dec | Bunnings Domain -Volunteers needed |

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.





Weekly Meeting Review

The meeting was opened under the chairmanship of Arlin Bosch, who commenced the evening with the customary Rotary Pledge and 4 Way test.



Phil Gordon (our registration officer) announced our visitors for the night, of which we had many.

Directors Reports

President Peter Kaye, welcomed all members and guests with another one of his humorous stories. Advised that the Alice River Event was not so successful however thanked all who assisted with the stalls that were provided by the Club.



Jim Morrison, Thanked the Members for the flowers that were sent to his wife during a recent stay in hospital. And advised that the AGM would be conducted on 05.12.2024.

Shane Smith, Reminded Members of the importance of recruiting new members. Advised that the Movember Goal had been exceeded with Bill Barber taking individual lead. Total present amount \$1750; hoping that ROM would add further \$250.



Jaye Beutel: Advised that he would be taking on Administration tasks in 2025 and considered himself an “all things spreadsheet” kinda guy. He would be relying on Lyn and Ron to provide handover and guidance.

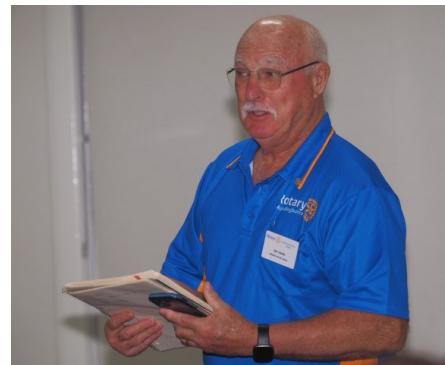


Alan Nelson: Finska Night 12.05.2024 @ 40 Mango Avenue Mundingburra – Pizza for evening mela with BYO beverages.

Katrina Davis: Reminder of FEAT Christmas Gift collection/donation – a spreadsheet with list of ages and gender being circulated – please feel free to place name beside. Must be to Katrina no later than 15.12.2024.

Guest Speaker presentation

Ian Jones: Introduced Guest Speaker Clair – On Country Craft Distillery.



Guest Speaker Clair presented a great range of information regarding her business:

- Social Worker by trade with a keen fondness for Dungeons and Dragons
- Shared a story of how her passion commenced when complaining about something she was continually challenged by her elders until she eventually chose to accept the challenge.
- She is a proud Warangal woman operating a First Nations 100% self-funded owned/operated business on Bindal Country.
- It's more than just a distillery it's about educating others and respecting the land.



- She contacts Elders for advice/consent to gather bush tucker from all parts of Australia.



- It's easy to make Gin from using essence and it is far more financially lucrative.
- On Country Gin is not clear like essence Gin as it is influenced by the Bush Tucker colours and flavours.
- On Country Craft Distillery work in conjunction with Kutjala Reference Group (Nature Conservation) and Auntie Lyn (Munns) Women's Group (Vulnerable Women).
- Claire encouraged everyone to contact her and come and view the distillery which is based in Wulguru.



Sergeant Session

Ryan Lacaze conducted Sargent's Session using historical dates to quiz the members, and raised funds accordingly.



Raffles were drawn results as follows:

Red Wine: B01 Alan Nelson

White Wine: B08 Coralie

Joker: Robyn Jones – 5 Hearts – better luck next time Rob.



Meeting was closed by President Peter – prior to closing he asked the doctors in the room could they explain how one was able to take 1 tablet 3 times per day. This generated some debate and laughter.

Many of the members remained behind to enjoy the taste testing of Gin that was hosted by On Country Craft Distillery with several of the members purchasing Gin and Mulberry Silk Scarves.

Thanks to: Neil for data, Alan for Photos, and Katrina for the notes.

Travellers News

Our overseas travel expert, the lovely Jan Johnson, has sent us some photos, displayed on the next page, of her trip to see the Northern Lights.

Also a whisper is around that she may well have slipped and ended up with a knee twice its normal size, but



doubtful it would have stopped her as this was one of her bucket list items.

