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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**  
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?

### **DECEMBER: - Disease Prevention and Treatment Month** **Edition 24 – 11<sup>th</sup> December 2025** **This Weeks Program – Games Night**

#### **A note from President Alan**

This meeting is singularly the more important meeting of the year from a governance perspective. Treasure Neil present the Audited Financial Statements and the Audit report. He also presented the mid-year financial position statement and we appointed an auditor on Neil's recommendation. I want to thank Neil for his thoughts and good-humoured professionalism as Treasurer.

President elect Sue Tardiani announced her Board for her year. I'm heartened to see Arlin Bosch stepping on to the board. Thank you Arlin for giving it ago. Sue hasn't yet nailed down all positions on her board but I'm sure she will have a full complement come changeover.

If you haven't been on the board previously and Sue approaches you, please give it serious consideration. It is a wonderful to expand your Rotary horizons.

When it comes to expanding Rotary horizons, if you really wish to understand how Rotary works then you need to be President of our great club. Feeling nervous about the idea is natural and understandable but you are well supported by the membership, board and district.

This week's meeting is intended as a fun night. A few games perhaps and fellowship.

Incidentally the report has been penned in between working on my Christmas lights.

For me two things that make the Christmas season besides being with family. They are the lights that people put up as a gift to their community and the opportunity to sing Christmas Carols



Stay amazing.  
Alan



### Forward Roster Duties Plan

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

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
11th Dec	S Smith	Phil Gordon	K Davis	N Andrews		
15th Jan	M Day	Phil Gordon	I Jones	B Barber	J Johnson	J Hall

#### Facts & Figures

**Total Member Count:** 43  
**Number Used for Attendance:** 42  
**Leave of Absence:** 0  
**Exempt Members:** Nil  
**Honorary Members:** 1 Tony Wode  
**Members Present:** 25  
**Total Credits for Last Week:** 1  
**Percentage Attendance Meeting:** 61.9%  
**Apologies:** TBA  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil  
**Club Guests:** Nil  
**Guests:** Nil.

#### Important Dates – 8th Dec – 31st Dec

**Member Birthdays**  
 Jim Morrison – 25<sup>th</sup> December  
**Spouse/Partner Birthdays**  
 Bryce Ramage – 27<sup>th</sup> December  
 Mark Salmon – 31<sup>st</sup> December  
**Wedding Anniversaries**  
 Vicki & Ron Degenhart – 17<sup>th</sup> December (46 Years)  
 Carley & Arlin Bosch – 17<sup>th</sup> December (9 Years)  
**Rotary Membership Anniversaries**  
 Peter Kaye – 16<sup>th</sup> December (60years)  
 Jaye Beutel – 14<sup>th</sup> December (2 years)  
 Barry Robinson – 17<sup>th</sup> December (2 years)  
 Melanie Costi – 18<sup>th</sup> December (9 years)

#### Takings

Registration      \$\$485.00  
 Sergeant          \$60.80  
 Donations        Nil  
 Raffle              \$52.00  
 Joker               \$77.00 - (Joker Jackpot \$950.90)

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

### Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
Nov	<b><i>Rotary - Disease Prevention and Treatment Month</i></b>	
11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	<b>Games Night</b>	Cutheringa Bowls Club
15 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2026	<b>Overseas Service in Rotary</b>	Cutheringa Bowls Club

### Townsville Rotary Market Roster

14 <sup>th</sup> Dec - Sunday		26th Dec – Friday	
21 <sup>st</sup> Dec - Sunday		25 <sup>th</sup> Jan- Sunday	
25 <sup>th</sup> Jan- Sunday		14 <sup>th</sup> Feb - Saturday	

### 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.



### Meeting Notes

The meeting kicked off at usual time with Chairman Peter Kaye ringing the bell and reciting the pledge and the four-way test.



**Chairman Peter Kaye**

Alan also mentioned how wonderful it was seeing the genuine surprise on Peter's face with arrival of the guests and that it is rare to see Peter at a loss for words. Once in 60 years perhaps?

President Alan also thanked The main players of the ROPE (Recognition of Peter's Exploits) Committee for making the event so very special. He specially mentioned Jan Johnson, Neil Andrews and Michael Day for their extraordinary work in bring it all together.



**The "Recognition of Peter's Exploits" Team**

Attendance officer Phil announced there were no guests this week.



**Registration Officer – Phil Gordon**



**And the team with Peter**

Chairman Peter invited President Alan to make his opening remarks.

President Alan commented on event of the previous Saturday, being the Christmas party/ recognition of PKs 60 years of Rotary service.

Following the meal of Roast Pork with Crackling , Chairman suspended the normal meeting and the AGM commenced.

As usual AGM things happened with minutes endorsed, Auditor and Treasure reports presented and voted on. Not to mention the appointment of an auditor.



**President Alan Nelson**



**Treasurer – Neil Andrews**

Things got a little bit out of order, but President Elect Sue Tardiani announced Board, most of, at least, and her vision for the committees going forward.



**Sue Tardiani – Announcing her Board**

The AGM was formally declared closed.

The Chair called forward Sergeant Jaye to extract a few dollars from the membership. Jaye did so in his usually charming and gentle manner. On this occasion with a game of true or false.



**Sergeant -Jaye Beutel**

The raffle was drawn by the Sergeant at Arms. This correspondent neglected to note the winners of the wine. (Dock his pay I hear the readership shout!).

Chairman Peter invited President Alan to offer his closing remarks. He thanked Everyone for coming, He then thanked Neil Andrews for all his work as Treasurer.

Alan mentioned that finding a President Nominee was a priority and thanked Arlin Bosch for stepping on to PE Sue's board.

Following that he drew the Joker Jackpot with Arlin's being the lucky soul. Sadly, for Arlin at least, he didn't draw the Joker and so the Jackpot increases. Alan handed back to Peter who closed the meeting in the usual way.



**Bad Luck Arlin**

**PRESIDENT-ELECT LEARNING SEMINAR 2026**  
 LET'S PREPARE & LEARN TOGETHER

CAIRNS 31ST JAN	CHILDERS 15TH FEB	ROCKHAMPTON 21ST FEB	EMERALD 21ST FEB	MACKAY 28TH FEB	TOWNSVILLE 7TH MAR	GLADSTONE 14TH MAR	DARWIN 11TH APR	DILI 18TH APR
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Rotary District 9560

Rotary District Assembly training is primarily for incoming club leaders — especially board members, directors and committee chairs. It is also an opportunity for new Rotarians to attend.

**Key Attendees**

- Club Board Members: Presidents-elect, secretary, treasurer, and directors are expected to attend. This ensures they understand Rotary's goals, district's priorities, and legislative requirements.
- Committee Chairs: Leaders of service, membership, foundation, and public image committees will also benefit from attending this training.
- Rotary Community Leaders: Will update us on their growth plans and also receive guidance on supporting the clubs in their areas.
- New Members (Optional but Encouraged): Assemblies often welcome newer Rotarians to help them learn about Rotary's structure, projects, and opportunities.

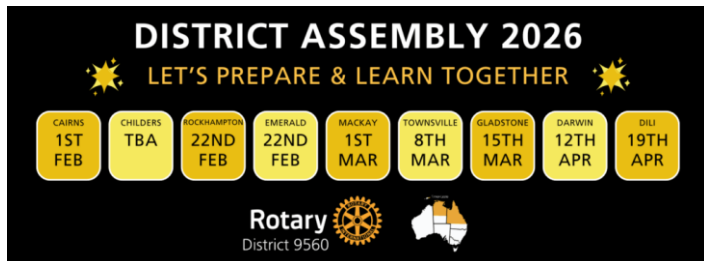
**Purpose of Attendance**

- Leadership Preparation: This training helps equip our incoming leaders with the skills and strategies to run effective clubs. Specific position training (Secretary, Treasurer, Director/Committee Chair) will occur online through Rotary International's Learning Centre and District Training SharePoint.
- District Updates: Attendees learn about changes in Rotary policies, district goals, and grant processes. For example, clubs must qualify annually to apply for district grants, and training covers the application process.
- Collaboration: Assemblies foster networking and idea-sharing across the clubs in your area, strengthening our district-wide projects.

- Knowledge Transfer: Outgoing leaders can pass on insights to incoming officers, ensuring continuity.

### Summary

If you're stepping into a leadership role in your Rotary club — whether as president-elect, secretary, treasurer, director, or committee chair — attendance at District Assembly is essential. New members are also encouraged to join, as the training builds understanding of Rotary's mission and prepares clubs for a successful year.



## Rotary Says NO to Domestic & Family Violence

When you consider that a woman is in more danger of physical or emotional harm by someone known to her in her own home than by a stranger on the street, we must accept we have a major societal problem.

Violence against women starts with disrespectful behaviour. Our campaign is about stopping this at the start.

The Rotary South Pacific Say No to Domestic and Family Violence campaign has evolved over the past 6 years and has its main emphasis as a prevention strategy that aligns with the Australian Government 'Stop it at the Start' national campaign.

Through consultation with stakeholders, Rotary is well placed to lead and collaborate this campaign in our communities. We encourage clubs already working in this space to continue their great work. This campaign is very much an 'and' not an 'or' that may value add to what your club is currently doing in this space.

## Rotary Foundation Update

### Contributions will support projects around the globe, including a robust recommitment to the fight to end polio

Donors to The Rotary Foundation celebrated some big achievements in fundraising in the past year, showing their support for the wide array of programs the organization sponsors all over the world.

A multiyear campaign to increase the Endowment to US\$2.025 billion by 2025 exceeded its goal by US\$25 million. In 2024-25 alone, members and others contributed more than half a billion dollars to the Foundation.

"The goal was an inspiration, but the objective was to do good in the world," says Mark Daniel Maloney, the 2024-25 Rotary Foundation trustee chair. "We are making sure that Rotary will always be able to carry out that mission." The Foundation raised more than US\$569 million in 2024-25 alone, exceeding its annual goal by almost US\$70 million. More than 478,000 individuals donated, along with over 31,000 Rotary clubs and nearly 1,900 Rotaract clubs.

Thanks to its donors, the Foundation was able to award 1,424 global grants, 468 district grants, and 74 disaster response grants in the past year. A US\$2 million Programs of Scale grant will help build peace and economic independence in Colombia. Rotary International also extended its long-standing partnership with the Gates Foundation, announcing a joint commitment of up to US\$450 million over three years to support global polio eradication efforts.

"Rotary members demonstrated their commitment to these efforts with their support of the 2.025 by 2025 campaign," Maloney says. In particular, he notes the large number of fundraising events around the world that Rotary's district governors organized. "I am just amazed at the generosity of Rotary members," he says. "They came together to make it happen."