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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?

January: - Vocational Service Month Edition 26 – 22nd January 2026 This Weeks Program – Industry Topic

A note from President Alan

Our first meeting of the year kicked off with hearing from Barry Tennent of Rotary Australia World Community Service or RAWCS. He explains an number of on going initiatives in Cambodia that are making a real difference to lives in the area.

A story of the recent bore that was funded to sustain people displaced by the recent border conflict between with Thailand was a shining example of how Rotary structures have dynamic capacity to act far faster than another program. Of course, this can only be achieved by building good relationships in location and having sufficient funding.

During the meeting John Hall pointed out that Peter Kaye had been something of a media tart. In doing so he presented a laminated and mounted copy of the recent newspaper article on Peter's 60 years of Rotary service. Without a doubt, a noteworthy achievement.

That wonderful article was published with a byline that didn't reflect the true author. Which was in fact Mr Hall's wonderful bride Irene.

Irene wrote the article and arranged for the photos to be taken and managed to get it published in the Townsville Bulletin. Just getting the article published in the Bully is also a noteworthy achievement.

Thanks, Irene, for your skill an professionalism in making that all happen.

Next weekend sees the Australia Day event at Rupertswood Park. We will be providing free ice creams and we have a Toy Stall.

This event run from 9 am to noon so we'll need to be set up and ready to roll by 8:45 am. Coralie Laingeluddecke will be assisting Bill Barber and me. An extra pair of hands or two wouldn't go astray.

See you all on Thursday.
Stay amazing and kind.
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 or text to 0409 536 169 by 10 am on Mondays.

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
22nd Jan	R Degenhart	P Gordon	M Whitworth	I Jones	G Kenna	

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: 22
Total Credits for Last Week: 3
Percentage Attendance Meeting: 59.5%
Apologies: N Andr3ws, J Baker, P Holmes, J Beutel, R Degenhart, R & I Jones, A Ferfolja
Visiting Rotarians: Barry Tennant (Outback EClub)
Club Guests: Nil
Guests:: S Luckel

Important Dates – 19th Jan – 25th Jan

Member Birthdays
Arlin Bosch – 24th January
Spouse/Partner Birthdays
Nil
Wedding Anniversaries
Nil
Rotary Membership Anniversaries
Coralie Langeluddecke – 23rd Jan (1 year)
Takings
Registration \$455.00
Sergeant \$40.40
Donations Nil
Raffle \$48.00
Joker \$77.00 - (Joker Jackpot \$1001.70)

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

Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
Nov	Rotary - Vocational Service Month	
22 nd	Industry Talk	Cutheringa Bowls Club

Townsville Rotary Market Roster

BBQ Dates

25 th Jan Sunday	Willows – Helper required please	25 th Jan Sunday	Domain – Helpers Needed
1 st Feb Sunday	Willows – assnt Co-Ordinator required		
6 th Feb Friday	Strand Market help 4pm to close.		
Contact David Nutt – 0408897152 For Market Volunteering & Bill Barber 0418759019 For Bunnings Volunteering			

“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

Chairmans Opening of the meeting.

Meeting opened by Chairman Michael with the 4 way test.

President's Report

President Alan reminded us of the following

- Bunnings BBQ on Jan 25
- Australia day at Rupertswood on Jan 16
- Defence welcome day on Jan 31

General Reports

- Bowls club membership renewal is due and forms were distributed
- John Hall presented Peter Kaye with laminated copies of newspaper articles about his 60 years in Rotary
- Meal was served

Being a Zoom Meeting involved some IT Specialists to make the night a success.



Is this the right way.



**Yes, success
(What a team)**

Guest Speaker

- Jan Johnson introduced the guest speaker Peter Tennent who resides in Rockhampton but is a member of the club outback Australia joined the meeting via zoom



Jan introducing Barry

- Barry organises the overseas jaunts that Jan goes on to help people in need
- Barry spoke on the RAWCS projects that he is involved with in Cambodia
- LRDE is in Phnom Penh where disadvantaged children are picked up in the morning, given breakfast, taken to school, given lunch, taken to school and sent home with a bag of groceries. This keeps the parents happy as they would have otherwise had the children collecting recyclables and begging.



- Barry has been associated with LRDE for 10 years and gave an example the success of the programme by telling of two girls who came into the programme aged 6 and 4 and are now aged 20 and 22, the elder is in 4th year law and working, the younger is studying business.
- The second project mentioned is supplying all things necessary for a baby, nappies, formula etc to families in need.
- The third project mentioned is supply book packs to underprivileged children containing writing pads, pencils etc
- The fourth project mentioned is drilling bores in rural areas to supply clean water

Guest Speaker Thanks

John Hall moved a vote of thanks and advised that Barry was the recipient of the Service above self award which was well deserved.

Sergeant Session

Sergeant Bill educated the meeting about Australian history and collected some money in the process.

Raffles

- Doctor Al and Arlin won the wine
- Bill Barber cut the joker cards but missed the Joker.



Bad luck Bill

The meeting was closed with a toast to Rotary International.



Rooka and Daniel doing a Bunnings BBQ

AUSTRALIA DAY 2026

Mundingburra Rotary is doing its bit for Australia Day under the auspices of the Rotary National Australia Day Initiative.

The club has once again partnered with the Alice River Community Association to conduct a family friendly fun morning from 9am to midday at Rupertswood Park, Progress Road, Alice River.

So, what are you doing on Australia Day? How about joining your fellow Australians to 'Reflect, Respect and Celebrate' all this great country has to offer.

Resourced through a National Australia Day Community Grant, with musical entertainment by Crayon Cartel, lawn games and a variety of activities provided by Amusements Plus there will be plenty to do and see.

Free ice cream and coffee will be available. Mundingburra Rotary will also be operating a Wooden Toys Market Stall. All very welcome to come along and have fun. .

Family Fun
Morning

Food . Drink .
Free Kids Activities .
Live Music . Raffle

Monday, 26 January 2026
9.00am to 12.00pm
Alice River Community Centre & Park,
Progress Road

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