

# Spinifex



## Rotary Club of Mundingburra Inc.

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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?



## February: - Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

Edition 26 – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### This Weeks Program – Changes in Mundingburra Rotary

#### Welcome message from President Alan

Last week's meeting was pretty low key without a speaker. Then, there is nothing wrong with good old-fashioned fellowship.

Saturday saw us at Defence Welcome at Townsville Stadium. Daniel Price , Graeme Kenna and Ron Deganhart kept me company for the event.

Needless to say, thanks go to my partners in crime and special thanks go to Neil Andrews for his co-ordinating the event and creating a power point promoting the club that was part of an endless display on the big screens in the stadium.

We spoke to a lot on interested souls.

I'm sure we haven't clearly identified potential members, but we had great conversations with other service clubs and found a goodly number of potential speakers. So much so, that this week's speaker is Eleena Joe from Sailability.

Sailability gives people with disability the opportunity to get out on the water is a sailing dinghy. These dinghy's are 3.5 meters and are brilliant pieces of design.

Personally, sailing has always been a joy and anything that breaks down the barriers and allow more people to share that joy can only be a good thing.

While on the topic of potential speakers we need to arrange for some of our community partners that we support to come and tell us how our support has made a difference.

Andrew from Battle Initiative was at the Defence Welcome and he was so gratefully for the support we gave last year.

Remember, we do make a difference in our community and the world.  
Stay amazing and kind.  
Alan

**Forward Roster Duties Plan**

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## Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Changes in Mundingburra Rotary, Bill Barber</b>	Cutheringa Bowls Club
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Journeys, and Jifunze – Jan Johnson</b>	Cutheringa Bowls Club
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	<b>Developing North Queensland - James Doyle</b>	Cutheringa Bowls Club

## Duties

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	G Kenna	P Gordon	P Holmes	P Kaye	J Hall	S Smith
12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	R Lacaze	P Gordon	G Kenna	T Leow	J Johnson	M Whitworth
19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	G Luckel	P Gordon	S Smith	G Kenna	I Jones	B Barber

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.

## Townsville Rotary Market Roster

## BBQ Dates

6 <sup>th</sup> Feb Friday	Strand Market help 4pm to close.	14 <sup>th</sup> Feb Saturday	Domain Bunnings

**Contact David Nutt – 0408897152 For Market Volunteering & Bill Barber 0418759019 For Bunnings Volunteering**

### Last Meeting, 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 Andrews, J Baker, P Holmes, J Beutel, R Lacaze, R Ramdin, D Price, S Tardiani, G Luckel  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil  
**Club Guests:** Nil  
**Guests:** E Ferfolja-Salmon

### Important Dates – 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb - 8<sup>th</sup> Feb

**Member Birthdays**  
 G Kenna 7<sup>th</sup> February  
 J Ramage 9<sup>th</sup> February  
**Spouse/Partner Birthdays**  
 Joan Barber 3<sup>rd</sup> February  
**Wedding Anniversaries**  
 Wendy Maguire 1<sup>st</sup> February – 62 years  
**Rotary Membership Anniversaries**  
 Nil  
**Takings**  
 Registration \$480.00  
 Sergeant \$104.40  
 Donations Nil  
 Raffle \$48.00  
 Joker \$55.00 - (Joker Jackpot \$270.80 )

### “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

**Chair Ian Jones** opened the meeting at 6:32p with the Rotary Pledge and 4-Way Test. Phil introduced our guests noting that Aloisia's daughter Elizabeth will be attending and will arrive shortly.



Chairman Ian

### President Alan

Alan proceeded to enlighten us as follows:

- The Australia Day Event was a 'Sparkling Success'. Sparkling due to the rain. Special thanks to:
  - Neil Andrews for obtaining and administering the grant,
  - The Toy Stall crew PK, Arlin B, and Ian C,
  - The Ice Cream crew Alan N, Coralie L, and Bill B,
  - Other attendees Bill and Wendy M, Ron D, and Annette N.
- Spinifex – changes are being implemented to make it as simple as possible to produce. Jim Baker needs some backup. The changes will make it easier for someone else to step in when required.
- Blue Cards – it is now a requirement that all Board members have a current Blue Card.
- Defence Welcome expo will be held on Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January at Murray, 9am to 12 noon. Alan and Daniel will be there, others welcome.
- Alan advised us of the sudden death of former member Craig Kenman. Alan has sent Corrine a message of condolences from the club. A memorial ceremony will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> February. Alan will distribute the details.

**Dinner** was served providing time for fellowship.

### Reports

**Membership Shane Smith** – a reminder to ask, members need to be invited to join Rotary. Members who invited guests to our recent Membership Information Night are asked to follow-up with their guests regarding attending another meeting.

**Club John Hall** – asking for ideas for guest speakers to help Daniel and Rooka in their new role.

**Bill Barber** – following the washout of the Australia Day event we had lots of ice creams left over. Bill has distributed 30 boxes to Althea Projects and 30 boxes to Ronald McDonald House.



Bill Barber

Regarding the Field Days, Bill asked members to contact clients or past clients about taking out a stall at the Field Days.

### Sergeant Session

Peter Kaye acknowledged the big win by Coralie of the Joker last week, birthday boys Bill Barber and Greg Luckel. Jim Foley was reminded of Karen's upcoming birthday. Thanks to the Australia Day 'drowned rats'.



Peter Kaye

Important dates:

- 14<sup>th</sup> March – Trivia Night
- This day in 1957 – announcement of the winning design for the Sydney Opera House
- 1886 – Carl Benz patented the design for the internal combustion engine,
- 1867 – absolutely nothing!

Proposed Toy Stall on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> February at Annandale Shopping Centre, noting that there is also a sausage sizzle on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Raffle** winners Arlin and Barry.

### President's Close

Alan will distribute a link to the Memorial Service for Craig Kenman, Alan also provided a health update regarding former member Premi Ram. Reiterated the need for members to assist with ideas for speakers.

### Joker

The Joker opportunity was won by Jim Morrison who drew the 10 of Diamonds.



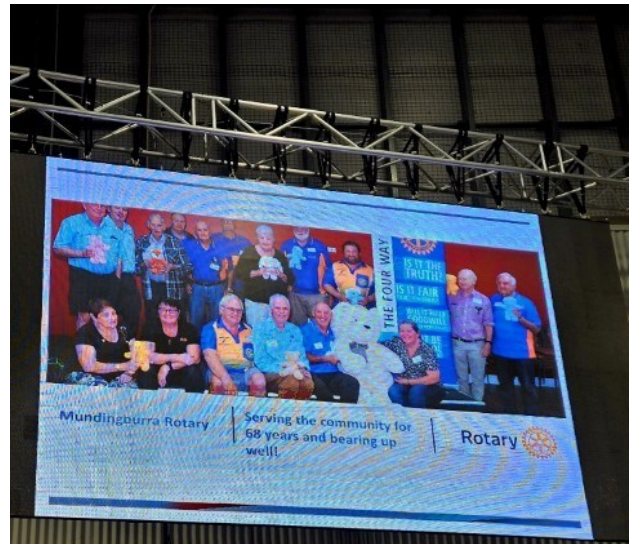
Jim Morrison – Wrong Card Jim

The meeting closed at 7:30pm.

**Defence Welcome day event photos.**



Graeme and Daniel manning our stall



Part of our visual presentation to the room



Rotary Thuringowa Central also attended



The Sailability stand, who are coming to talk to us