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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?

MAY: Theme – Youth Service Month Spinifex Edition 42 – 1st May 2025

Topic - Queensland Fire & Rescue Service - Lithium-Ion Batteries

Presidential Message

Wearing an authentic military uniform, we were treated to Neil Andrew's reflections of WW1 for our Anzac Day commemoration last night. His story centred on a relative who died in battle in 1917. Neil and Robyn visited his war grave on a recent tour of the WWI battlefields in Europe.

His address was followed by a simple ceremony with the placing of poppies and rosemary on a shrine of remembrance and the playing of the Last Post.

Neil went to extraordinary lengths with his presentation tinged with some emotion and we thank him sincerely for his efforts.

Next meeting we will have Melanie Banks, Regional Community Engagement Coordinator Queensland Fire Department. We met Melanie at Defense Welcome Day, and she is keen to speak to us on a range of issues.

08 May, Andrew Hovenden will give a presentation on The Battle Initiative in support of Military first responders. We also met Andrew at Defense Welcome Day recently.

It was disturbing to read on the eve of ANZAC Day, that the Oasis veterans' facility in Idalia is on the verge of closure due to government delays in funding support. Townsville has the country's largest military base and veteran community, and one wonders how Governments lose sight of such priorities. Let's hope polities of all persuasions work towards a solution.

If you are looking for something to do on Saturday, come and visit our woodwork stall at Fairfield shopping centre.

Enjoy your ANZAC Day long weekend



Forward Roster Duties Plan

If you are unable to fulfill your rostered duty it is **YOUR** responsibility to find a replacement. Please notify **Jaye** 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
1 st May	I Jones	Phil Gordon	B Barber	J Beutel	G Stephens	K Davis
8 th May	P Holmes	Phil Gordon	A Nelson	J Baker	N Andrews	A Bosch
15 th May	J Beutel	Phil Gordon	B Barber	K Lee	G Kenna	A Ferolja

Facts & Figures

Total Member Count: 45
Number Used for Attendance: 42
Leave of Absence: 2
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 25
Total Credits for Last Week: 5
Percentage Attendance for Last Meeting: 72.72%
Apologies, A Nelson, C Langeluddecke, G Kenna, L Svanosio, B Barker-Hudson, A Ferolja, D Nutt, J Baker
Visiting Rotarians: Nil
Club Guests: . Nil
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Important Dates 28th Apr – 3rd May

Member Birthdays

Aloisia Ferolja – 30th April

Spouse/Partner Birthdays

Nil

Wedding Anniversaries

Jim & Karen – 30th April (42 years)

Rotary Membership Anniversaries

Ian Jones – 31 years

Takings

Registration \$535.00
 Sergeant \$34.75
 Raffle \$42.00
 Joker \$.57.00 (Joker Jackpot \$381.90)

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

Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
March	May: Theme - Youth Service Month	
1 st May	Queensland Fire & Rescue Service - Lithium-Ion Batteries / Technical Rescue	Cutheringa Bowls Club
8 th May	The Battle Initiative - Andrew Hovenden	Cutheringa Bowls Club
15 th May	TBA	

Townsville Rotary Market Roster -

BBQ Dates

				Sunday 11 th May	Bunning Domain
				Saturday 31 st May	Bunnings Domain

“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.



ANZAC Meeting

Chairman Neil Andrews opened did a tremendous rendition of the 4 Way Test.

As we had no guests the Registration Officer – Phil Gordon, mads special mention of Neil who is doing both the Chairman role and the special ANZAC Ceremony.

Neil then called upon President Peter to give her address to the members present

President Peter

Peter began his report by thanking Neil for his presentation.



Thank you to those who joined us for a club social breakfast last Thursday.

The next few weeks we have a great number of special guests, something to be looking forward too.

Sadly, Peter announces his knowledge that Oasis is on the verge of closure – hopefully this can be prevented by all Pollies working together on this.

Directors Reports

Secretary – Jim Morrison

Updated memories on a wide range of correspondence and news coming through the office. It has been a busy period.

International Director: Jan Johnson

Cathy Booth has asked Jan to help promote a raffle for a NZ holiday in support of the Kenya Orphanage.

Handover Dinner will be a more formal dinner, including attire which will require members to dress up. The night will be \$35 pp. More information to come.

Membership: Shane Smith

Debriefed on the membership night, thank you very much for all those who attended, especially those who bought a prospective member. Reminded us that all members

should be thinking of invitations to prospectives for any meeting.

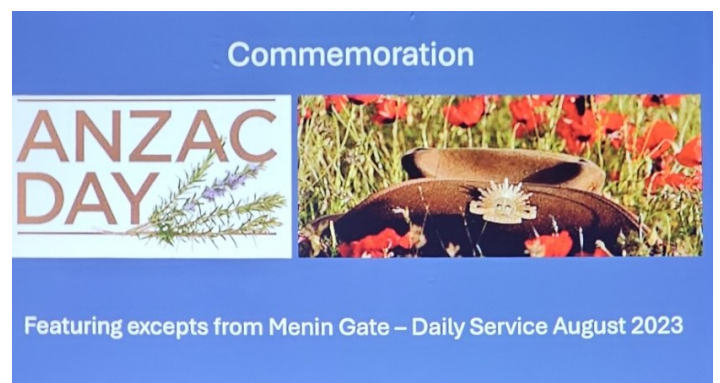
Guest Speaker Segment

A beautifully created PowerPoint narrated by Neil Andrews in character of his ancestor Corp. 2780 William Henry Andrews KIA and buried in the field at 24 years of age. Later moved to Belgium in 1926. William rests beside an unknown soldier.

Neil explained the number of cemeteries for the fallen littered across the Western Front. He gave particular reference to the Villers-Bretonneux Memorial, resting place of 10 000 soldiers. This town has a close connection with Australia due to the work and support WWI Australian Troops provided.



Neil spoke about the reverence that Menin Gate has for Australian troops and the daily service and bugle call each day.



The Club joined Neil in a brief commemoration of those who fought and paid the ultimate sacrifice. This included laying rosemary at our meeting's makeshift Cenotaph, The Last Post and Rouse.





Thank you Neil for a wonderfully created presentation and bringing your personal story to us here at our club.

Vote of thanks **Jan Johnson**

Sergeant's Session & raffle Draw

Thank you, Mr Holmes, for the obligatory fines... birthdays and anniversaries!

Red Wine – E48

Wayne Haller

White Wine – E67

Neil Andrews

President Peter Closing

President Peter gave his closing remarks and did the Joker Jackpot draw.

F74 – Katrina Davis -Ace of Hearts. Bad luck Katrina.

Chairman, William or Neil officially closed the meeting with a toast to Rotary International, The King and Australia.

Rotary Club of Mundingburra

Presents

Silent Letter Day- World's Greatest Meal.



Not heard of Silent letter day, then click the link:

<https://youtu.be/sOUqHr9tcVY?feature=shared>

or Google Michael McIntyre Silent Letter Day

Three course meal at the same 2019 cost of

\$50 per head

Gluten intolerance catered for

When: Saturday 7th June 2025

Time: 6pm for 6:30 PM

Where: 40 Mango Avenue, Mundingburra

RSVP: 31 May 2025 – 0402 812 339 Peter or

0413 551 454 Alan

Drinks available via a ticket system

Thanks to Jaye, Kat and Ron, and Peter for the supplied documents for the Spinifex this week