

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

Olayinka Hakeem Babalola

District 9560 Governor

Rita Zappulla

Club President

Sue Tardiani

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?



August: - Membership & New Club Development Edition 7 – 20th August 2026

Welcome message from President Sue

Last week we had the first of our 2 week's meetings looking into membership and a look at where our Club is going in the future.

Daniel did a magnificent job in the presentation and preparation.

We may say to ourselves, not another forum, but they are definitely a necessity if we want to progress. So please take it seriously, as your input is important.

Fill out and return your ideas because we want to know how you want the Club to proceed in the future.

This week we have Membership, a very important topic.

Thanks to whoever put up on Facebook the need for more women in our Club, a great idea.

President Sue.

A very happy President! 😊





Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
20 th Aug	Shaping the Future of our Club	Cutheringa Bowls Club
27 th Aug	Youth to Action – Pimlico School	Cutheringa Bowls Club
3 rd Sept	Family Day Camp – Lorraine Kennedy	Cutheringa Bowls Club
Meeting apologies to Attendance Officer: katanya.lee@carter-spencer.com.au or text to 0409 536 169 by 10am on Mondays.		

Duties

Date	Chair	Registration	Sergeant	Scribe	Intro	Thanks
20 th Aug	J Morrison	P Gordon	S Smith	J Baker	A Nelson	D Price
27 th Aug	P Holmes	P Gordon	B Barber	N Andrews	D Nutt	K Davis
3 rd Sept	P Kaye	P Gordon	R Lacaze	M Day	J Johnson	J Baker
If you are unable to fulfill your rostered duty it is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to find a replacement. Please notify Daniel Place of any changes.						

Last Meeting, Facts & Figures for 13th August

Total Member Count: 41
Number Used for Attendance: 40
Leave of Absence: 0
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 24
Total Credits for Last Week: 4
Percentage Attendance Meeting: 70.000%
Apologies: J Baker, J Beutel, R Ramdin, R Degenhart, K Lee, K Davis
Visiting Rotarians: N/A
Club Guests: N/A
Guests: N/A

Important Dates: 17th Aug – 23rd Aug

Member Birthdays

Phil Gordon – 22nd

Spouse/Partner Birthdays

Nil

Wedding Anniversaries

Nil

Rotary Membership Anniversaries

Ron Degehnart – 20th (34 Years)

Katanya Lee – 23rd (12 Years – Mundingburra, 20 Total)

Takings for 13th August

Registration \$495.00
 Sergeant Nil
 Donations Nil
 Raffle \$44.00
 Joker \$72.00 - (Joker Jackpot \$394.80)

“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.



Rotary
International

AUGUST IS



MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

**SHARE
CONNECT
COMMUNITY**



Rotary
District 9560



PEOPLE of
ACTION



Save the Dates

Townsville Rotary Market Roster

27 th Sept	Willows Markets	Assist Co-ordinator
4 th Oct	Willows Markets	Co-ordinator Helper
25 th Oct	Willows Markets	Assist Co-ordinator
1 st Nov	Willows Markets	Co-ordinator
15 th Nov	Willows Markets	Assist Co-ordinator
22 nd Nov	Willows Markets	Co-ordinator
13 th Dec	Willows Markets	Helper
20 th Dec	Willows Markets	Helper

Co-ordinator & Assistant: 6am – 12pm

Helper: 6.30am – 12pm

Contact D Nutt – 0408 897 152 For Market Volunteering

BBQ Dates

22 nd August - Saturday	Bunnings Domain
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Contact B Barber – 0418 759 019 for Bunnings Volunteering

Toy Stall Dates

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Contact P Kaye – 0407 657 564 for Toy Stall Volunteering

🎉 A Century of Service – Let's Celebrate! 🎉

The Rotary Club of Townsville is proud to be celebrating an incredible milestone in 2026 - 100 years of service to our community. For a century, our members have worked together to support local initiatives, strengthen our community, and contribute to the global mission of Rotary International.

To mark this historic occasion, we're hosting a Centenary Gala Ball & Fundraiser, an evening to celebrate the past, present, and future of Rotary in Townsville.

📅 **Saturday, 17 October 2026**

🌟 Rotary Club of Townsville – 100 Year Gala Ball & Fundraiser

This special night will bring together Rotarians, community members, partners, and friends to celebrate 100 years of impact while raising funds to support important community and humanitarian projects.

Expect a memorable evening of celebration, connection, and generosity as we honour the legacy of those who built our club and look ahead to the next century of service.

✉ For enquiries: admin@tcep.com.au

📌 Save the date and stay tuned for more details about tickets, entertainment, and how you can be part of this once-in-a-century celebration.

#RotaryTownsville #Rotary100 #ServiceAboveSelf
#TownsvilleCommunity #RotaryInternational

Meeting Notes

Chairman David Nutt opened the meeting with the 4-Way Test at 6.30pm and told everyone to keep it brief as there is a lot to cover tonight.



There were not guests to be introduced so Phil had an easy evening! 😊

President Sue's Update:

Sue's address start with mentioning that Sue and Coralie were the only females at the meeting.

She mentioned that the "Lift the Lid Walk" on the Strand was on 11th of October 2026.

Briefly mentioning about the redistributing of Rotary Districts, noting that she opposed it as does the DG. 95620 would lose Timor Leste and gain PNG.



Club Updates:

Michael Day:

Raised the issue about "Set to Success" on Monday 24th at Shalom Village and asked as many members



as could to please attend. It begins at 8.30-9am to help assemble furniture they had purchased. We only have four Rotarians with their hands up so far. Please email him if you are able to attend. An afternoon tea is scheduled for the 28th of August.



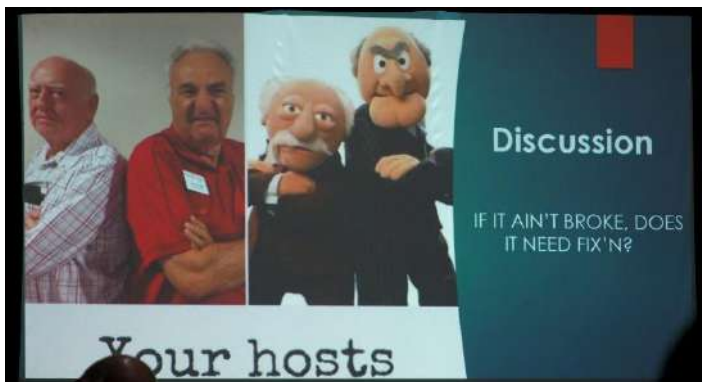
Neil Andrews:

Neil had a slide show of the club's financials. Briefly, we made a \$5,500 profit last year, donated \$82,000 to community with project income of \$43,103 and last year's President's budget was \$38,000. Current total assets are \$220,945.



Peter Kaye:

Peter had a slide presentation on redistributing Districts, noting that he and all past DG's oppose it.



He then went into a further slide show about Youth Protection and the need for all members who have interaction with children and all Board members must be registered for a Blue Card. (Remember – Kat looks after this so if you need help let her know.)

<https://my.bluecard.qld.gov.au/login>

Once you have a reference number you can be linked to the Club's Organisation.

Daniel Price – Shaping the Future of our Club:

Daniel started the session on member input at 7.20pm. Graeme Kenna took notes for the session so if you would like more information please see Graeme.



Wine Raffles:

Michael Day won the Red, but unsure who won the white.

Joker Jackpot:

Arlin was unlucky for the second week in a row, drawing the four of hearts.



Reminder for next week:

Please let Kat know if you will be attending and eating, especially if you are not a regular eater.



Happy Birthday Ryan:

A cake was cut for Ryan's 50th, although some members thought it was his 17th!

Cutting his cake with an imaginary knife?



If you would like to support the team's fundraising efforts for this great cause, go to:

<https://australian-rotary-health.mygiveeasy.com/jatbula...>



Shaping the Future of Our Club

If you missed out on having your say last week for whatever reason, please see the link below so that you can still participate:

[Complete the Shaping the Future survey](#)

Congratulations Ron!

A team of Rotarians, including PDG Ron Degenhart of [Rotary Club of Mundingburra](#), [James Arnold Smith](#) of [Darwin Sunrise Rotary](#) and Dr Marg Purcell of [Rotary Mareeba](#) in our district, set off today for six days walking one of the country's most significant landscapes, raising funds for mental health research. They are trekking the Arnhem Land escarpment, an exceptional wilderness area that winds its way along the edge of Katherine Gorge (Nitmiluk) to Edith Falls (Leliyn). By taking part in this unforgettable journey, they are walking in support of [Australian Rotary Health](#) and its life-changing work funding mental health research — particularly for children and young people across Australia.

#Why I am a Rotarian

Rotary

I am a Rotarian because...

- I believe in **Service Above Self**.
- I connect with **people of action** who inspire me.
- I make a positive **difference** in my community and beyond.
- I continue to **learn**, grow and become a better **leader**.
- I am part of a **global family** united for good.
- I believe **small acts of kindness** create a big impact.

“Being a Rotarian is not just what I do, it's who I am.”

TOGETHER, WE Create Lasting Change in the World.