

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 8 – 27th August 2026

Welcome message from President Sue

We have now completed the two nights delegated to the Forum.

It was great to see such a good turn up from the men in the Club, so many girls weren't well.

Graeme covered Membership this week.

Some really great ideas were put forward, and the questions put to us for an around the table discussion, were discussed with enthusiasm.

I thank both Graeme and Daniel for the effort they have put into these two sessions.

We will be hearing from them soon as to how we approach the questions and hopefully how the ideas will be applied to our Club.

President Sue.

A very happy President! 😊





Program & Coming Events

Date	Speaker/Facilitator/Topic Event	Venue
27 th Aug	Youth to Action – Pimlico School	Cutheringa Bowls Club
3 rd Sept	Family Day Camp – Lorraine Kennedy	Cutheringa Bowls Club
10 th Sept	Interact Changeover Dinner (6pm – 7.30pm)	Townsville Grammar School
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
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
10 th Sept	N/A	P Gordon	N/A	D Price	N/A	N/A
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 20th August

Total Member Count: 41
Number Used for Attendance: 40
Leave of Absence: 0
Exempt Members: Nil
Honorary Members: 1 Tony Wode
Members Present: 21
Total Credits for Last Week:
Percentage Attendance Meeting: 60.000%
Apologies: J Beutel, R Ramdin, C Langeluddecke, A Nelson, I & R Jones, D Nutt
Visiting Rotarians: N/A
Club Guests: N/A
Guests: Beverley Knowles (Mundingburra)

Important Dates: 24th Aug – 30th Aug

Member Birthdays

Rooka Ramdin – 26th
 Ian Jones – 27th

Spouse/Partner Birthdays

Kerryn Nutt (D Nutt) – 25th
 Rooka Ramdin (D Price) – 26th

Wedding Anniversaries

Nil

Rotary Membership Anniversaries

Nil

Takings for 20th August

Registration	\$435.00
Sergeant	\$8.00
Donations	Nil
Raffle	\$44.00
Joker	\$59.00 - (Joker Jackpot \$418.40)

“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.





AUGUST IS

MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

**SHARE
CONNECT
COMMUNITY**

Rotary  PEOPLE of ACTION
District 9560



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

13 th Sept – Sunday	Bunnings Domain
3 rd Oct – Saturday	Bunnings Domain
18 th Oct – Sunday	Bunnings Domain
31 st Oct – Saturday	Bunnings Domain
15 th Nov – Sunday	Bunnings Domain

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 Jim Morrison opened the meeting with the customary Rotary Pledge and 4Way test, then called upon Phil Gordon to announce and visitors.

Phil advised we had one guest tonight, Beverly Knowles, upon which members welcomed her to the meeting.

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

President Sue's Update:

Sue welcomed Beverley and advised next week that the club aimed to induct her as a Rotarian. Sue also welcomed Jim Baker back to the club following his time off due to the passing of his wife. A special thanks was given to Ron as he finished his charity walk for Australian Rotary Health – for Mental Health Research.

Chairman Jim announced that as the meal was not ready yet, we would do Directors and member announcements whilst waiting.

Club Updates:

Jim Baker:

Thanked the club members for the many phone calls and emails during the extended period of his wife's illness, and the many Rotarians that were able to attend her recent funeral. He said Rotary was a family to him and he appreciated the members. Jimi also said that over the 2 years involved with his wife's illness, he witnessed the wonderful and difficult things being done in the Aged Car system by people who really cared for our community elders. It's a growing issue that needs help.

Michael Day:

Secretary Michael reminded members that we are assisting a community need on Monday and if you can assist arrive around 8.30am to 9am as advised via email.

Neil Andrews:

Treasurer Neil thanked members for paying their Rotary dues and reminded anyone outstanding that if

they could arrange payments before he jokingly said he would call the bailiff's out if necessary.

Also, our normal Australia Day event has run into a problem with the expected winding up of the Alice River Community Organisation. Neil has approached others, but unfortunately he has not had any success to date and the application for the grant needs to be applied for in the coming days. He welcomes any ideas.

Ron Degenhart:

Ron spoke about of his recent walk for Australian Rotary Heath (ARH).

The walk was a fund raiser for ARH. The team of 6 raised \$18,885 to date for mental health research in children. The team was combined with 7 others from a larger group of 13 for the walk. The fund-raising pages will remain active till the end of August.

They walked 62km through Nitmiluk National Park in the Northern Territory commencing at Katherine Gorge.



With fellow ARH Director Pat Schraven from WA.



Daniel Price:

Daniel provided an update on last week's survey. He provided a volunteers capacity snapshot.



Daniel thanked members their participation and displayed some data with discussion on moving forward. He also welcomed and invited members to provide feedback on the discussion.

Graeme Kenna – Membership Presentation:

Graeme presented a powerpoint show that covered a number of important aspects to grow the membership. His fouces was directed at **Attraction, Rentention and Diversity.**



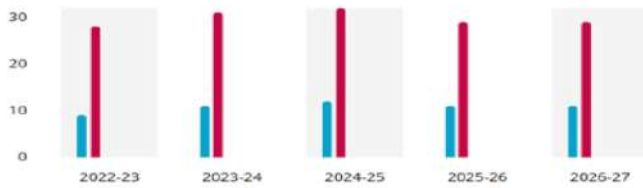
The presentation provided detailed information on membership within our Rotary District, and also our partucial Club over past years. It also covered the breakup of Male v Female members for similar periods.

Following his well balanced presentation, Graeme, assisted by Daniel, asked members to assist by providing ideas on a page of questions to assist in gaining members views of some aspects of membership. He also took questions from the floor as required.



Mundingburra Rotary Club

Gender Trends



	2022-23	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27
Female	9	11	12	11	11
Male	28	31	32	29	29
Self-describe	0	0	0	0	0
Prefer not to identify	0	0	0	0	0
Unreported	0	0	0	0	0

Mundingburra Rotary Club Membership Trends - Gender 2022/23 to 2026/27



President Sue then gave her closing remarks and thanked everyone for attending and our presenters for the work they did.

Chairman Jim then closed the meeting with a Toast to Rotary at 7.45pm.



Membership What will attract new members

Our Product

- Offer an experience that prospective members want and that it is welcoming, inclusive, appealing, and accessible to everyone.
- Adopt a strategic approach to maximise flexibility and ensure that we are a contemporary and dynamic organisation catering for a 21st century demographic.
- Highlight service projects that "make a difference" in our community and globally.
- Offer a "value for money" product for people looking for opportunities to serve their community.

Thank you, Rotary Club of Mundingburra!

Appreciation from Barry Tennant for our supporting and helping of underprivileged Cambodian students in rural communities. Our support has help build a brighter future to these students. Your kindness and commitment are truly making a difference!

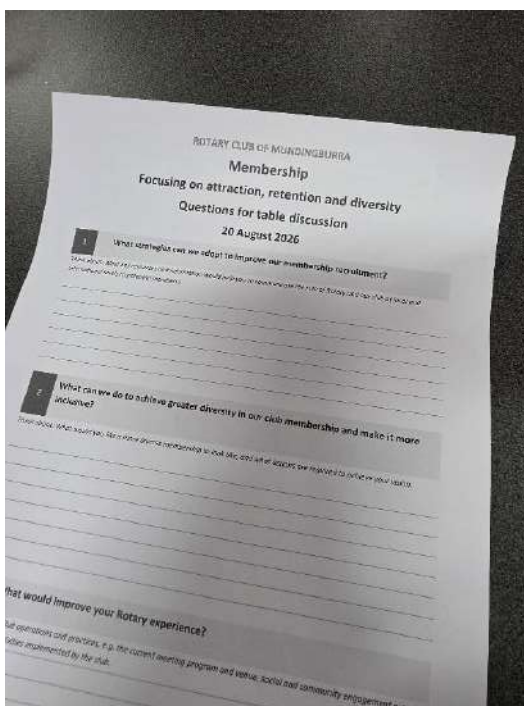


Wine Raffles:

There was no time for a Sergeant Session but the raffle was drawn and bottles of wines were won by Michael Day and Bill Barber.

Joker Jackpot:

The Joker tickets was drawn by President Sue and it was her own ticket! However she selected the wrong card, Ace of Diamonds, bad luck Sue!





Ron's Walk for ARH

You can still support Ron's walk until the end of August so if you would like to donate use the link below:

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

