

ROTARY CLUB OF CAMBRIDGE

ANNUAL REPORT – 2024 / 2025



Introduction

This document presents the Annual Report for the Rotary Club of Cambridge for the twelve months ending 30 June 2025, and will be presented to the members at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Our Vision

Our vision is to conduct our activities in accordance with Rotary's core values:

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill and better friendship? and
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?"

Our Objectives

Our objectives for the year 2024 – 2025 were to build on the existing strong ties that the Club has established with the greater Cambridge Community and to identify opportunities for service, including:

- Development of acquaintances and mutual support as an opportunity for service;
- Promotion of ethical standards in business and professions;
- Application of the ideals of service in personal business and community life;
- Advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace;
- Application of the 4-Way Test to all things members think, say and do; and
- Make a contribution to the local community.

Our People

Office Bearers		
Name	Role	Board Member
Maxwell Puddey	President & Community Services	Yes
Graham McHarrie	Treasurer	Yes
Peter Burns	Secretary	Yes
Don Holywell	International	Yes
Jeremy Wood	Youth & Foundation	Yes
Frank Nathan	Guest Speaker Program	Yes
Cate Barlow		Yes
Libby Larsen	Administration	Yes
Roger Veary	Bulletin	No

STRUCTURE & MANAGEMENT

Rotary Club of Cambridge (Inc):

- Incorporated in Western Australia on 12 February 2003;
- Complies with the Rotary Club of Cambridge Constitution (as revised) on 29 October 2017 and;
- Complies with the requirements and rules of Rotary International.

CLUB ANNUAL REPORT

PRESIDENT OVERVIEW

I am pleased to advise that all key roles in the club have been carried out extremely well.

This report includes reports from the respective key club office bearers as outlined and detailed below. The club has had a very successful year following on from the success of the previous year. Much has been achieved in meeting and/or exceeding the above business plan objectives as follows.

- Club key personnel are continuing to engage with the Town of Cambridge (new Mayor and CEO), local schools, local politicians and has established a new relationship with the City of Perth Life Saving Club;
- Board meetings and club forums are also conducted routinely to discuss new initiatives, ensure corporate governance and to ensure sound financial management;
- The club continues to meet weekly, maintains a very good guest speaker program and a well balanced social program;
- Our International project in Surabaya continues the Club's 25 year involvement to support "The East Java Hearing Project" for deaf children;
- Continued to support the Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus project.
- The Club continues to purchase and install peace poles at local primary schools and some churches;
- Our year 6 primary school 4-way test program continues with the ongoing participation of most local primary schools in the Cambridge district; and
- The Club continues to support the Cambridge community by facilitating, supporting and funding several community projects, for example the Club's driver training program, and facilitating the purchase of a new surf boat for the City of Perth Life Saving Club.

MEMBERSHIP

Club membership has remained static at 23 members for the majority of the Rotary year. Recruitment of new members is very difficult for our Club being suburban based in a largely residential environment that includes few businesses with whom we can directly interact.

The Club, is however engaging with people who are at the stage of retiring from their respective workplaces to promote membership of Rotary, and to assist in recruiting new members.

We are very pleased to welcome Christine Tonkin as a new member in May 25. Christine presented an overview of her very interesting working life which encompassed her work in numerous countries around the world and across many career paths before she entered politics.

In recent months we have had the retirements of two long term Rotarians from our club who are now moving on to other things in their respective lives.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary's Report was prepared by Club Secretary Peter Burns who has undertaken the principal duties well in a timely manner in dealing with:

- Correspondence and maintaining the Club records;
- Organising, recording, distributing minutes of Board Meetings, and tracking associated actions;
- Coordinating the Annual General Meeting;
- Submitting the Annual Financial Return for WA Charitable Collections Statement with the Department of Mines; Industry Regulations and Safety, and Rotary International; and
- Performing the Club's role of Youth Protection Officer, and maintaining a Register of Working with Children currency and approvals.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The club's finances this year have been extremely well managed by Graham McHarrie. Graham has overseen and coordinated the migration of the Club's accounting to the web based accounting system called "Xero". Financial status reports are published and distributed monthly to Board members.

Significant expenditures are discussed at Board meeting, and are pre-approved on a majority basis at Board meetings and/or by electronic communication with Board Members

Dual electronic approval of club expenditures have been implemented via our Bank's electronic approval processes.

Balance Sheet Statement is attached at Section 3 of this report.

COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Rotary District Engagement

The Club president attended several Rotary District events including:

- The Rotary District Annual Forum in Margaret River;
- The Rotary District grant seminar; and
- Joint Rotary Clubs (5 clubs) meeting with the District Governor with our Club Board Members,

Community Engagement

The Club has organized and/or participated in several community engagement events during the reporting year as follows:

- Jeremy Wood and/or Max Puddey attended Australian citizenship ceremonies conducted by the Town of Cambridge;
- The Club participates in the Town of Cambridge annual volunteer program and award presentation event;
- Club members participated in the City of Perth Life Saving Club 100 year anniversary, and attended the formal dinner and their awards presentation evening;
- The Club President continues liaison with the Lake Monger Community Shed management committee (a former Rotary Club of Cambridge major project); and
- The Club continues our strong association with Cambridge Bowling Club.

Community Projects

The Club has organized and/or participated in several community projects during the reporting year as follows:

- Organised and coordinated the provision of art supplies in conjunction with Office Works Osborne Park, sharing the funding of the Art Supplies which were then donated to the Lake Monger Primary School which has special needs;
- Entered into an agreement with the City of Perth Life Saving Club to provide funding for the purchase of a new replacement surf boat. This project included the facilitation of external funding from the Perron Charitable Trust, the Ledger Charitable Trust and including internal Club funding and completed the project in December 2024.



YOUTH

Youth Committee Report 2024-2025

The Club's Youth program is extremely well organized and coordinated and managed by Jeremy Wood. Jeremy is very energetic and has skillfully brought together a diverse, and significant range of Youth Projects and endeavours as described below

This year, the Club continues to participate in as many of the District Youth Programmes as possible as well as some additional ones particular to the club. However, the extent of participation varies from year to year depending on the degree to which applications are received. The club participated in the following Youth Projects over the past year:

- **Peace Poles.**

This has become and continues to be one of the most visible projects conducted by the Club. Annual



ceremonies were held at many schools. Since Jeremy was not able to attend all the ceremonies because of clashes, speaking duties were shared between Christine Tonkin MLA, Cate Barlow, Frank Nathan and me. The ceremonies at the four schools in the City of Stirling (Wembley Downs, Doubleview, Woodlands and Churchlands) were attended also by Stephanie Proud, Stirling Deputy Mayor. In the current year Churchlands Senior High School has agreed to have a pole.

- **Liaison with Schools.** Close contacts continued to be maintained between the Rotary Club of Cambridge and all the Primary Schools in the Town of Cambridge. These were City Beach, Kapinara, Floreat Park, Wembley and Lake Monger. In addition, Jolimont, Churchlands and Woodlands Primary Schools were added to the list of close contacts. Sadly, the new Principal at West Leederville Primary School appears to be unenthusiastic about participating in Rotary programmes and so the school has fallen off the club's list.
- Rotary Youth Exchange. Following the departure of Alzbeta Dvorakova in July 2024, the club decided that it was not practical to continue with the programme.
- RWADE (Rotary Western Australia Driver Education). Once again this was held in December. The Rotary Club of Cambridge hosted 169 students from John XXIII College at a new venue. Six teachers and seven Rotary Club members were also present. As in previous years, the students were divided into six groups attending six sessions over the course of the day. Once again, lunch was provided free of charge by the Rapid Response Team for which the club made a donation. It is a most worthwhile programme and the club will be participating once again in the coming year. This year, the event will be held at City Beach where we had the cooperation and participation of the Town of Cambridge.
- **Junior 4-Way Test Speech Contest (Years 5/6).**

As in previous years, the standard of speeches was outstanding and the large audience was thoroughly impressed. The Club Heat was held at the Lake Monger Recreation Club since the normal venue at the Cambridge Bowling Club was unavailable. The winner and runner-up of the Club Heat, Madison McLean and Sophia Wang, went on to compete in the District Final which was hosted by the Scarborough Club at Wembley Downs Primary School. One of our candidate from Churchlands Primary School, Sophia Wang, was the winner of the final. It is a programme that the club will continue to promote in the years to come.

- **Life Skills Training in local Primary Schools.**

Jeremy continued to run small programmes now at five schools – Floreat Park, City Beach, Wembley, Churchlands and Woodlands. At Floreat Park, Wembley, Churchlands and Woodlands, Jeremy coaches the Year 6 Student councils in running their official formal meetings. He also assist them in choosing and running an event for a charity of their choice. Also, when a suitable speaker is talking at the Rotary Club of Cambridge, all these groups are invited to attend a club meeting. Without exception, the students find this to be a very instructive and exciting occasion. A big challenge for me is remembering all their names when called upon to introduce them to the club. Jeremy finds the whole programme to be very fulfilling. At Churchlands, also he also assist the Year 5 Sustainability Group in running their meetings and with help and advice with their gardening projects. At City Beach Primary School, David James and Jeremy help the Manual Arts teacher in her classes. Jeremy attended the Year 6 Graduation ceremonies at four schools and was invited to present awards at City Beach, Churchlands and Wembley Primary Schools. These activities all help in promoting the public image of Rotary generally and the Rotary Club of Cambridge in particular.



- **National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)**



Once again, the club participated in this exciting programme. This year the club sponsored Blake Nelligan from Churchlands Senior High School. Blake was well known to the club members and he attended the course run at the University of Queensland in Brisbane. Blake later presented some highlights at a meeting of the club.

- **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA).**



After many years of having no candidates to send on this great project, this year we were able to sponsor Natasha Dun to attend the course. Jeremy visited the RYLA Camp to see some activities in action and to touch bases with our candidate. Natasha is a project manager on industrial developments and she seemed to gain a great deal from the experience including a big boost to her personal self-confidence.

- **Wembley Districts Junior Cricket Club Friday evening Sausage Sizzles.**

Twelve Sausage Sizzles were held over the course of the cricket season. We continue to build a strong feeling of camaraderie with the young cricketers and their parents in running these events. All participants and their families now know us and this helps to create a wonderful atmosphere on a Friday evening. It acts as a useful small-scale fundraiser for our club while at the same time giving us a face in the community. As usual we were



fortunate to receive a visit by Santa (Peter Pearse) and his elf (Leonie Pearse) which created a great deal of excitement. Any leftovers are taken to the Fresh Start facility in Subiaco. Most Friday evenings after the event, the club's sizzlers repair to Amarin Thai Restaurant in Subiaco where a great social evening is capped off. This year we were presented at the end of the season with a shield to acknowledge our contribution to the enthusiasm and participation in the club.

- **Rotary School Values Awards.** This year the club proposed to the local schools that a Rotary School Values Award be presented at the school's Graduation Assembly. The award is to be presented annually to the student who best demonstrates the school's values. This is an expansion of the Rotary CARES Award presented annually at the Wembley Primary School graduation. It has received enthusiastic acceptance by all the participating schools. Because of date clashes, the presentation duties were shared between David James, Cate Barlow and me. Honor Boards are being planned for all the schools.

- **ANZAC Day.**

This year the club was invited to attend and participate in ANZAC Day ceremonies held at some of the local primary schools. These included Wembley, City Beach, Kapinara, Floreat Park, Woodlands and Churchlands. Speaking duties were shared between Cate Barlow, Max Puddey and Jeremy Wood.



INTERNATIONAL – Prepared by Don Holywell

Rotary Club of Cambridge “Rotary East Java Hearing Project” is coordinated and managed by Club members Don Holywell and Graham McHarrie working in conjunction with Glenn Davies (Rotary Club of Mount Lawley) and Guy Setiadi (Rotary Club of Surabaya) to support the Karya Mulia School for the Deaf (“Karya Mulia”) which is the only school for deaf children from pre-primary to high school in Indonesia.

This project commenced in 1990 following the Western Australian Government’s establishment of a Sister State relationship with East Java, covering a broad range of cooperation including trade, investment, and social development projects.

The project, was initially, to improve medical treatment and provide early intervention to help deaf children in Surabaya (East Java - Indonesia), and was originally based on the provision of audiological equipment and special education teacher support, and then evolved into a teacher exchange program where reciprocal specialist teacher (of the deaf) exchange visits to Surabaya / Perth were introduced in 2018 and 2019. COVID prevented planned visits in 2020, and the project was suspended until visits by Perth teachers to Surabaya resumed in 2024 and 2025.

The Club is very proud to have been continuously engaged in this worthy project since its inception, and the Club continues the involvement and support for the Karya Mulia school

Current key activities involved:

- The Club facilitated a visit to Karya Mulia School in April 2025 by Perth based specialist teachers Lisa Checker and Simon Tomlinson ;
- These WA teachers visited Surabaya, as volunteers, for one week in their own time during school holiday periods to provide training of Surabaya Teachers (of the Deaf Children);

This current phase of the project provides Surabaya teachers with new and added skills, and benefit through observing teaching practices that have been implemented at the Telethon Speech and Hearing Centre, the West Australian Department of Education School of Special Needs (Sensory) and Mosman Park School for Deaf Children;

These visits are highly appreciated by all at Karya Mulia School for the Deaf and the learnings are incorporated into the daily teaching of the staff at the school. The next visit, planned for 2026, is currently being organised.

Teachers who have participated in the project
From Surabaya to WA

- 2018: Sipuntini and Agung Mahendra
- 2019: Endah Riwayati and Adib Wahyono

From WA to Surabaya

- 2018: Kara Passi and Kelly Humphries
 - 2019: Katie Oakley and Simon Tomlinson
 - 2020 - 2023: Suspended due to COVID
 - 2024: Kara Passi
 - 2025: Lisa Checker and Simon Tomlinson
- An overview of the Project was recently presented to the Western Australian Parliament by local government minister for Churchlands - Basil Zempris. Basil's speech and was also published in the Rotary District monthly newsletter; and
 - In June 2025 Club Board members Don Holywell, Graham McHarrie, Frank Nathan (and partners) and Cate Barlow visited Karya Mulia School and the Rotary Club of Surabaya (see photo) to follow up the projects current specialist teacher exchange program and to enhance the long-standing relationship with the School, The School' staff and the Rotary Club of Surabaya.



ADMINISTRATION

Meetings / Bulletin Newsletter

The Rotary Club of Cambridge has met most Wednesday mornings throughout the reporting year at the Cambridge Bowling Club at 7:30 am and concluding at 8:30 am. With the exception of a 4 week break over the Christmas and New year period, a light Breakfast is provided (\$20) with coffee from a mobile coffee supplier.

The logistic and financial coordination of these meetings is extremely well done by Libby Larsen.

Sargeant sessions are conducted at each meeting and a weekly bulletin newsletter is prepared and coordinated by Roger Veary. Both of these activities are very well done and are quite humorous.

Guest Speaker

Our guest speakers for respective meetings is organised and coordinated by Frank and Eileen Nathan who have done an outstanding job. The speakers program is very diverse, and their presentations are very interesting and enlightening.

A brief summary of the Club's guest speakers for 2025 to date are as follows:

- Christine Tonkin as MLA for Churchlands;
- Basil Zempilas as Lord Mayor of Perth;
- Blake Nelligan – NYSF;
- Kath Jafari – Stroke Foundation;
- John Taylor – Raising Fen Tigers;
- Paul Forrestal – Arthritis;
- Natasha Dun – RYLA Attendee;
- Rob Rippingale – Life Thomas Huxley;
- Peter Kennedy – Preview Federal Election;
- Tarun Preet Singh – History Sikh WA;
- Alecia Benzie – Kids Research Institute;
- Toni Crossland – Eglantyn Jebb (Founder of Save the Childrens Fund); and
- Lisa Clack – CEO Cambridge Council.

Social Activities

The Rotary Club's social activities are organized by the Social Committee. Events recently organised include:

- Our changeover dinner 2025 / 2026 which was held on the 9th July 2025 at Prego Wembley;
- A luncheon at Sittella Winery on the 9th April 25;
- Tapas night at the Cambridge Bowling Club on 5 February 25;
- Christmas function – December 2024 held at a private member's residence;
- Melbourne Cup Day function – November 2024;
- Cambridge Bowling Club Bollywood Function – August 2024; and
- Changeover dinner 2024 / 2025 was held at the Wembley Golf Course Ambrose function centre;

MOVING FORWARD

The key objectives for the next 12 months are to ensure that the Rotary Club of Cambridge continues to focus Club

activities on local community based projects in the Cambridge district, as well as continuing to support our Surabaya international project on a cohesive and financially sustainable basis. To achieve this, The Board and members will:

- Seek to identify sustainable additional revenue and raising grant opportunities;
- Recruit additional members where possible;
- Continue our sound financial practices;
- Identify new and/or different community project opportunities where the Club can make a contribution;
- Continue to work with;
 - The Town of Cambridge;
 - The Western Districts Cricket Club;
 - Surabaya Rotary Club and Kara Mulia School in Indonesia;
 - Local Schools
 - Cambridge Bowling Club;
 - Lake Monger Community Shed;
- Continue with a well balanced social program;
- Further enhance our relationship with the City of Perth Life Saving Club and investigate ways to interest Surf Club nippers with assisting with Club to deliver Projects and opportunities;
- Continue our excellent guest speaker program, and explore ways to conduct joint guest speaker sessions with other Rotary clubs and Lake Monger Community Shed; and
- Continue to support the Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus project.

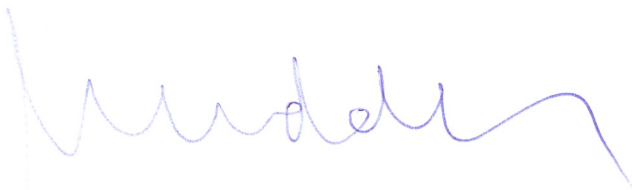
IN CONCLUSION

I would like to most sincerely thank our Board and members for their contribution to a year of activities where we made a sound contribution to our community, and achieved some very good project outcomes

I would also like to acknowledge and thank our retiring members (Stan Robbins and Brian Downing) for their significant contribution to the Rotary Club of Cambridge over many years.

It is anticipated the Club will build on the relationships that we have established, and that it will promote and foster greater social interaction and continue to build friendships.

Yours sincerely,



Max Puddey

President of the Rotary Club of Cambridge
9 July 2025

FINANCIAL REPORTS - 2024 / 2025

Prepared by Graham McHarrie

Please see attached files:

Balance Sheet
Income and Expenditure Statement – Projects / Fundraising Account
Income and Expenditure Statement - Club Operations

Balance Sheet

Rotary Club Of Cambridge Inc As at 30 June 2025

	30 JUNE 2025	30 JUNE 2024
Assets		
Bank		
Rotary Club of Cambridge Fundraising	9,257	13,711
Rotary Club of Cambridge Operating	9,292	10,344
Total Bank	18,549	24,055
Current Assets		
Cash Floats	70	70
Prepayments - Operating	1,000	600
Term Deposit Operating ANZ	10,000	10,000
Term Deposits Fundraising ANZ	26,132	30,132
Total Current Assets	37,202	40,802
Fixed Assets		
Equipment	1,995	4,864
Less Accumulated Depreciation on Equipment	(1,995)	(4,864)
Total Fixed Assets	-	-
Total Assets	55,751	64,857
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Creditors & Accruals - Operating	2,040	2,327
Donation Received in Advance - Fundraising	3,794	4,992
Exchange Student Emergency Funds	-	500
Total Current Liabilities	5,834	7,819
Total Liabilities	5,834	7,819
Net Assets	49,917	57,038
Equity		
Accumulated Surplus (Deficit)	57,038	48,919
Current Year Earnings	(7,121)	8,120
Total Equity	49,917	57,038

Income and Expenditure Statement - Club Operations

Rotary Club Of Cambridge Inc For the year ended 30 June 2025

Club Operations is Admin, Events - Breakfast, Events - Changeover Function, Events - Christmas Function, Events - Other, Events - Special Functions.

	2025	2024
Projects/ Events Income		
Changeover Function	2,500	2,210
Christmas Function income	-	990
Club Excursions	240	1,049
Club Special Functions income	1,015	2,489
Financial Donations	-	750
Gourmet Lunch/ Winter Warmer	-	560
Meetings Breakfast Revenue	12,669	13,390
Total Projects/ Events Income	16,424	21,439
Cost of Projects / Events		
Changeover Function Expenses	3,330	2,295
Christmas Function	-	990
Club Excursion Expenses	238	1,055
Club Special Functions	990	2,370
Gourmet Lunch/ Winter Warmer exp	-	465
Meetings Breakfast Coffee	3,789	3,620
Meetings Breakfast Expenses	8,465	8,671
Total Cost of Projects / Events	16,811	19,466
Projects / Events Surplus (-Deficit)	(387)	1,972
Other Income		
Investment Interest Revenue	385	-
Membership Fees	8,250	8,625
Micellaneous Revenue	-	34
Sale of T-Shirts and Caps	60	-
Sergeant Fines	1,482	1,620
Total Other Income	10,177	10,278
Operating Expenses		
Accounting Software Licence	226	118
Cambridge Bowling Club Fees	1,100	836
Club Badges	162	169
Club T-Shirts and Caps	391	-
Depreciation - Equipment	-	600
Flowers and Cards	-	100
Meeting Door Prizes	414	376

	2025	2024
Other Expenses	-	3
Post Office Box	271	261
Promotional Material	195	-
Rotary District 9423 Fees	2,640	2,723
Rotary Down Under Fees	888	844
Rotary International Fees	2,990	2,842
Telecom - Internet Charges	180	180
Website - Annual Management Fees	697	815
Website - Domain Hosting Fee	-	195
Total Operating Expenses	10,155	10,062
Net Surplus (-Deficit)	(365)	2,188

Income and Expenditure Statement - Projects/ Fundraising

Rotary Club Of Cambridge Inc For the year ended 30 June 2025

Projects/ Fundraising is Community - ANZAC Poppy Day, Community - Other, Donations, Fundraising - Bunnings Sausage Sizzle, Fundraising - Cricket Sausage Sizzle, Fundraising - Other, Fundraising - St Edmunds Rotary Fete, International - East Java Hearing Project, International - Other, Youth - 4 Way Test Primary School, Youth - Exchange Student, Youth - Other, Youth - Student Driver Education.

	2025	2024
Projects/ Events Income		
Anzac and Poppy Day	2,976	3,690
Cricket Sausage Sizzles income	7,625	8,112
EJHP Funding - Amcor	6,190	4,992
EJHP Funding - Telethon Speech & Hearing	-	5,000
4 Way Test - Primary School income	-	652
Financial Donations	20,080	-
Recycling	57	147
St Eds Miscellaneous	-	22,618
Student Driver Education income	2,850	2,520
Total Projects/ Events Income	39,777	47,731
Cost of Projects / Events		
Cricket Sausage Sizzles	2,753	2,790
Donations - Outgoing to 3rd Parties	500	550
EJHP Karya Mulia Donation	-	10,000
EJHP Outbound Accommodation - Surabaya	1,069	-
EJHP Outbound Airfares	4,239	-
EJHP Outbound Sundries	183	-
EJHP Outbound Teaching Aids	699	-
Exchange Students Events, Gift and Sundries	270	252
Exchange Students Monthly Allowance	-	1,659
Exchange Students School Fees	334	306
Exchange Students School Uniforms, Books and Stationery	-	729
Expenses Miscellaneous Projects	500	255
4 Way Test - Primary School	40	714
Peace Poles for Schools	196	-
Rotary Foundation Donation	3,120	3,500
Rotary Polio Eradication Project	500	500
RSL Anzac and Poppy Day	2,976	3,690
RYLA or RYPEN	930	-
Schools Program Events	715	465
St Eds Miscellaneous Expense	-	2,745
St Edmund's Rotary Fete Profit Distribution	-	9,937
Student Driver Education	1,635	2,269

	2025	2024
Youth Science Program	1,945	1,425
Donation - City of Perth Surf Life Saving Club	25,000	-
Total Cost of Projects / Events	47,602	41,785
Projects / Events Surplus (-Deficit)	(7,825)	5,946
Other Income		
Investment Interest Revenue	1,076	136
Total Other Income	1,076	136
Operating Expenses		
Bank Transaction Fees	8	20
Technology Equipment	-	130
Total Operating Expenses	8	150
Net Surplus (-Deficit)	(6,756)	5,931