

**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH  
PRESIDENTS REPORT 1996/7**

Fellow Rotarians

It is with pleasure that I can report on a very busy and successful year for our club. All members have contributed to this success and we can be proud of our achievements in serving the community.

The club's officers have given me excellent support during the year and from the Directors Reports you will see the wide diversity of projects undertaken.

I would like to highlight just some of these activities especially the new innovations -

The Male Welsh Choir Concert, a great fund raiser.

The Rotary Awareness Evening, for potential new members.

The Probus Invitation Evening, maintaining contacts.

The Boat and Outdoor Leisure Show, a great initial success.

Through our fund raising we have continued to provide ongoing support to many community organisations and youth programs, as detailed in the reports, and have made significant contributions to the Rotary Foundation, Rotary Health Research, and the District Cardiology project. The club is holding approx \$10,000 in reserve for major community projects and a committee is currently evaluating proposals.

It is evident that in todays changed conditions there is limited application for practical 'hands on' service work and that our activities are more concentrated on fund raising and sound judgement on disbursing these funds. We must continue to harness our skills in fund raising and it is essential for all members to fully participate on their nominated committees.

It is pleasing to achieve a growth in membership, however to maintain a dynamic club we must continue to actively seek suitable new members from a wide spectrum of our society.

I would like to make special mention of those members who have quietly contributed so much to the smooth functioning of our club.

Bob Jones for providing a varied, stimulating, and educational program of dinner meetings.

Reg Emmett for his outstanding work in producing an informative weekly club bulletin.

Denis Miller for enthusiasm and skill in his duties as Sergeant at Arms.

To all the other hard working stalwarts of our club thankyou for your efforts. In closing I can say that the Rotary Club of Howrah has continued to follow the Rotary objectives of providing humanitarian service, maintaining community standards and building goodwill.

I know that incoming President Reg has the dedication and leadership to take us forward to another great year.

**JOHN ANDERSON**

## BULLETIN

The Club Bulletin under the Editorship of Reg Emmett provided Club Members with uptodate and entertaining news. Reg has also provided the Club with access to the Internet. Many thanks Reg.

## MEMBERSHIP

Ralph Wehse has diligently kept the Attendance Register and produced an easy to read Report which is attached.

Special mention is made of the 100% attendance Members - congratulations to Peter Calvert, John Drinkwater, Jacob George, Denis Miller and Terry Morrisby. Well done Ralph.

In conclusion I would like to thank the Club Service Committee for all their assistance and enthusiasm.

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JOHN BRESNEHAN  
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR.

## 1996 TATTERSALL'S BOAT & OUTDOOR LEISURE SHOW - ANNUAL REPORT.

I have much pleasure in presenting this annual report to The Rotary Club of Howrah on the extremely successful "1996 Tattersall's Boat & Outdoor Leisure Show" conducted in Hobart 11-13 October 1996

### Background

In mid 1994 a group of members from the Rotary Club of Howrah was given the club's approval to conduct an "Outdoor Leisure Show" in Hobart in 1995.

This committee was very pleased to secure Tattersall's as naming rights sponsor of the 1995 show for a fee of \$15,000, however, in early August 1995 it became evident that the committee had not gained sufficient industry support to guarantee an outstanding show and it was decided to cancel the exhibition for 1995.

The committee, subsequently, entered into an agreement with the Boating Industry Association of Victoria (BIA, Vic) to jointly conduct the 1996 Tattersall's Boat & Outdoor Leisure Show at Princes Wharf, Hobart. Our agreement extends for two more years and the two organisations will jointly conduct the 1997 and 1998 shows.

### 1996 Tattersall's Boat & Outdoor Leisure Show

The show which was managed by Mr. Larry Ponting, of the BIA, Vic. was an incredible success with 38 exhibitors filling the venue to capacity.

A Marina was established on the water especially for the show and this allowed the exhibition of luxury cruising craft, tourist cruise operators, and historic sailing vessels.

The massive 'Supertank', which was shipped from Melbourne and stocked with a variety of Tasmania's finest angling fish, provided a tremendous drawcard for freshwater fishers, while "Flathead Fred's, Fishing Clinics for Children", entertained and enthralled literally thousands of children and adults alike.

### Advertising and Promotion

The advertising and promotion for the show was comprehensive. Ancillary sponsorship agreements were made with WIN TV, Radio 7HO-FM and the Mercury Newspaper to maximise the advertising coverage and effectiveness and due to these sponsorship arrangements, the overall media placements far exceeded the \$18,000 outlaid.

### Public Response

Over 10,000 people attended the show and extremely positive comments were received from those attending.

### Exhibitor Survey

A survey was sent to all exhibitors immediately following the show and approximately 66% responded, Over 90% were happy with the show and indicated that they would exhibit again, with 36% requiring more space.

### Finance

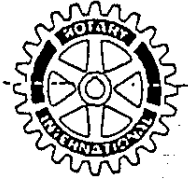
The project returned a surplus of \$14,656 and an equal disbursement of \$7000 was made to the BIA, Vic and to our club. Additionally, we earned \$3,350 for manning the gates, casual labour and cleaning. The nett return to the club was \$10,350 and this figure exceeded our budgeted profit by \$2,000.

### Conclusion

I would like to sincerely thank all members of the project committee, Lindsay Grenfell and Larry Ponting of the BIA, every member of the club and their family members, who contributed to the outstanding success of this project. It has been a long and sometimes, frustrating task, which stretched our manpower resources to the limit, but it is one of the more financially successful projects we have ever undertaken. It has the potential to raise many thousands of dollars in future years. The club can be justly proud of this project, and I genuinely thank you all for your tremendous and unselfish support.



Richard Wyatt  
Project Chairman



## ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH

ATTENDANCE REPORT FOR THE ROTARY YEAR, COVERING THE PERIOD FROM 4/7/96 TO 12/6/97. CLUB AND INDIVIDUAL FIGURES.

THE AVERAGE ATTENDANCE FOR THE ABOVE PERIOD IS AS FOLLOWS.

AVERAGE CLUB ATTENDANCE WAS 77.98 %

INDIVIDUAL FIGURES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Anderson-John	94%	Hampton-Fred	70%
Batge-Andrew	85%	Hilder-Ross	75%
Bell-Jim	76%	Jacobs-Noel	78%
Bouman-Hank	92%	Job-Les	92%
Bresnehan-John	90%	Jones-Bob	82%
Calvert-Peter	Full year 100%	Lamb-David	80%
Casimaty-George	82%	Leth-Allan	64%
Chew-Peter	90%	Longbottom-Michael	54%
Chivers-Lindsay	80%	Miller-Denis	Full Year 100 %
Cooper-Norman	92%	Morrisby-Terry	Full Year 100%
Cowie-Ian	88%	Morriss-Alan	80%
Drinkwater-John	Full year 100%	Ott-Keith	36%
Dunstone-Max	78%	Salier-Malcolm	72%
Emmett-Reg	96%	Spencer-Trevor	70%
Farrell-Graeme	96%	Schwanke-Ron	100%
Farrow-Kim	76%	Toepfer-George	82%
George-Jacob	Full year 100%	Watts-Tony	58%
Gilbert-George	92%	Wehse-Ralph	80%
Green-Peter	66%	Woolley-Glen	75%
		Wyatt-Richard	80%

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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RALPH WEHSE

**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH**  
Vocational Service - Youth 1996/1997

During this year your club through our Committee was involved in the following activities.

**MUNA**

Four students were nominated by your club. They were Ben Searle and Esther Petrusma - Emmanuel Christian School, representing Iceland, Rebecca Dillon and Rebecca Newport - Rokeby High School, representing Malaysia.

All students visited our club and expressed their thanks to the club for giving them the opportunity to participate in this forum.

**RYLA**

Howrah nominated Jason Winter to attend this seminar. Jason later addressed the club on the seminar activities.

**NESS**

Sam Bewsher was your clubs nomination to National Engineering Science School and addressed the club on his experiences.

**CRA Science Forum**

Andrew Job was selected to represent our club and his performance was such that he was selected to instruct at the next forum and selected to represent Australia at the World Science Forum in Canada. To finance Andrew to the World Forum, his parents, Andrew, and the club combined to raise well over \$4,000.00, and this was achieved in under 5 weeks.

For the year 97/98 we have selected Jonathon Kelp as the club representative at the above forum, and handed a further worthy candidate to Bellerive Rotary Club for their consideration. His name is Cameron Potter.

**Awards for Excellence**

Howrah Rotary Club annual award for excellence was presented by the writer at Rosny College.

**RYPEN**

This Year RYPEN was held at Brighton and Rebecca Dillon and Jessica Sanders attended as your clubs representatives and addressed the club on their activities.

**Australian Welsh Choir**

The choir gave one performance at the Town Hall. It was well attended and enjoyed by all.

Many thanks to my Committe with honorable mentions to Reg Emmett and Mike Longbottom.

Peter Chew  
Director

# **ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH**

## **INTERNATIONAL SERVICE COMMITTEE REPORT 1996/97**

We are pleased to present the International Service Committee Report for the year.

### ***G.S.E.***

We endeavoured to gain Jan Beans agreement to nominate again as our representative on the G.S.E. team exchanging with D5490, ARIZONA /CALIFORNIA U.S. in April/May 1996. Jan unfortunately eventually declined to nominate due to home and professional pressures.

We registered with the District G.S.E. Chairman Frank Henderson as a potential host club for part of the stay of the ARIZONA TEAM members however we were unsuccessful in this endeavour.

### ***INTERNATIONAL NIGHT***

A very successful dinner was held at the Sunshine Centre with the self catered meal comprising dishes from many ethnic backgrounds. Those attending were treated to a wonderful display of team dancing by the Polish Hobart Dance Troupe which was arranged by George Topfer, thank you George. Our thanks also go to Jacob and Mary George for organising the evening and to the many members who attended in national dress.

### ***YOUTH EXCHANGE***

The unavailability of members with student age children and a willingness to participate in Youth Exchange presents an ongoing problem to the clubs involvement in this area. New members with young families are encouraged to consider becoming involved in these programmes during their children's progress through school years .

### ***R.A.W.C.S.***

The club has again sponsored five Indonesian children in conjunction with Rotary and the Salvation Army in the Education for Children RAWCS #85-96/97 programme. We have received a number of letters from the children which were sincere and appreciative. Our contribution was \$550.00.

An amount of \$800.00 was approved by the Board for RAWCS Project #122-96/97. This provided for the purchase of four Vocational Tool Kits for children attending the Boroko Vocational Training Centre in New Guinea.

## ***F.A.I.M.***

An attempt was made to organise a team of Rotary Volunteers to carry out an overseas project in the S.E. PACIFIC. A lot of interest was shown with at least two members prepared to volunteer. Unfortunately a suitable project was not forthcoming , however the exercise may well prove fruitful in the coming years.

An address by Larry Gofton of Scottsdale Club increased the members awareness of Rotary Volunteers Abroad.

## **1996-97 PRESIDENTIAL CITATION TO BUILD THE FUTURE.**

This committee achieved the necessary goals required to fulfil the requirements of the above award and we trust President John has enjoyed his year as much as we have.

**JACOB GEORGE**

**ALAN LETH**

**MICHAEL LONGBOTTOM**

**PETER CALVERT**

**ALAN MORRIS**

**GRAEME FARRELL**

**NORM COOPER - DIRECTOR**

## ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH COMMUNITY SERVICE - ANNUAL REPORT 1996/97

The following report outlines activities conducted for community service in 1996/97.

1. A hospital bed was purchased for, and presented to, The Lillian Martin Home for the Aged. This was required to equip a room dedicated for respite care. The unit cost \$1,211.

2. Funds were made available to Primary and Secondary schools in our area to enable them to purchase prizes for good citizenship. The schools receiving awards were:

Primary Schools: Cambridge, Clarendon Vale, Howrah, Lauderdale, Richmond, Rokeby, South Arm.

Special School: Wentworth Support School.

Private Schools: Emmanuel Christian (Rokeby), John Paul II (Rokeby), St. Johns (Richmond).

Rotarians attended at most of the school presentation ceremonies to award the prizes. The total cost of awards was \$850.

3. Funds were provided for the Rokeby Christian Care Association to enable the purchase of school shoes for disadvantaged children in Rokeby and Clarendon Vale areas. A budget of \$700 was allocated.

4. Donations were made to the following:

St. Johns School (Richmond)	\$250.00
Salvation Army Christian Appeal	\$500.00
Aust. Rotary Health Research Fund	\$500.00
District Cardiology Project	\$500.00
Windward Bound Trust	\$200.00

5. A number of videos on "Road Safety" have been passed on from the Community Service Committee for 1995/96. Due to a major effort by past District Governor Alan Leth these have been offered to other Rotary Clubs for sale to appropriate community groups. Response is slow but approximately \$200 has been raised to date. A number of copies are to be given to local aged people homes, schools, police, etc.

6. As in previous years the Governor invited Howrah Rotary to cater for the public on the open day at Government House. Splendid support from our ladies enabled the sale of large numbers of Devonshire Teas and Rotarians provided other food and drinks. The event raised \$1222.50 and provided a great opportunity for fellowship.



7. The Royal Hobart Golf Club invited Howrah Rotary Club to sell refreshments at a hole during their Golf Charity Day. This raised \$750.00. The assistance of President John Anderson in obtaining this event is appreciated.
8. Through the Rotary Club of Canberra a donation of \$185.00 was made to "Rotary Against Malaria". This project is likely to replace "Polio Plus" as an international project and further support is merited.
9. A small committee was formed to determine further expenditure of community service funds. A report has been submitted to the club which identifies a number of high priority areas. An initial project investigated from this report is the provision of a skateboard ramp in the Rokeby area. Several discussions with Clarence Council officers have obtained their support and an item has been included in the Council budget for 1997/98. Subject to formal council approval on 16 June 1997 the club would be required to contribute \$5000 towards the project and will assist in preparing the site.
10. Rokeby High School is operating a programme that targets young adolescents who find attendance and participation at school difficult. This is the M.A.R.S.S.S. programme "Managing and Retaining Secondary School Students". A donation of \$200 has been made to assist in the initial set up, but it is hoped to arrange for future activities to be self funding, and for club members to provide assistance as required.
11. Projects still under investigation are as follows:
  - Assistance to Menzies Foundation in partial funding for research into Melanoma in Tasmania.
  - Support for Lindisfarne Rowing Club.
  - Support for Heartbeat Tasmania Inc., in purchase of equipment for the Royal Hobart Hospital.
  - Approach to Rokeby High School to provide support for "A Tidy Towns" project directed at restoration and maintenance in graveyard at St. Mathews, Rokeby.

Support from the Community Service Committee and other Rotarians during the year has been much appreciated.

M.H. Dunstone  
Director  
Community Service



**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH (Inc)**  
**Financial Statement 1/7/96 - 14/6/97**

**Service Account** 527-421-500530-02

Balance as at 30 June 1996

Service Account **\$6,914.49**

**INCOME**

Sale of Videos	175.00	
Science Summer Schools	570.50	
Welsh Choir	2,980.00	
Toss the Coin	176.00	
Richmond Fair	3,729.05	
Out Door Show	10,350.00	
Million \$ Meal	260.00	
Royal Hobart Golf Day	750.00	
Government House	3,454.05	
Royal Hobart Regatta	4,619.10	
National Youth Science Forum	884.00	
RAWCS	48.00	
Interest	170.38	
		<u>28,166.08</u>
		<b>35,080.57</b>

**EXPENDITURE**

Science Summer Schools	1,263.20	
Lillian Martin Home	1,211.80	
Toss the Coin	176.00	
Welsh Choir	875.10	
Richmond Fair	750.00	
Club Property, Van etc	258.00	
School Prizes/Donations	782.85	
Chocolate Wheel	1,842.20	
Government House	2,173.10	
Donation - Salvation Army	520.00	
Donation - St John's School	250.00	
Donation - Make a Wish	100.00	
Donation - Aust Rotary Health Research Fund	500.00	
Donation - Cardiology Appeal	500.00	
Royal Hobart Regatta	1,500.00	
Tools for Boroko	800.00	
RYLA	417.60	
RYPEN	190.00	
MUNA	390.00	
Rotary Foundation	1,270.00	
National Youth Science Forum	1,384.00	
Rotary against Malaria	185.00	
Christian Care Group	422.50	
Transfer to Investment	15,000.00	
Bank Fees	53.04	
		<u>32,814.39</u>
		<b>\$2,266.18</b>