

THE ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH

REPORT ON ACTIVITIES FOR 1984/85

President's Report

Each of the Directors has supplied a comprehensive report on the Club's activities for 1984/85. These are appended together with Treasurer Phil Keanes' reports on finances.

It is only when reports such as these are prepared that one becomes aware of the extent of the club's activities and the great range of experience, abilities and energy available.

The major highlight of the year from my point of view was the formation of the Rotary Club of Sorell. Syd McClymont as the DG's Special Representative gave us all a lesson in what sheer dedication and professionalism can do in a very short time and the Club and I are extremely grateful for his efforts.

The formation of the Sorell Club was also very much a club activity. Syd assisted by his lieutenants Tony Stacey and Graeme Farrell had at one time or another more than half of the Club out on the campaign trail, either door knocking on Sunday mornings, attending interest meetings or attending the early Sorell meetings.

Well done fellows!

It is also appropriate to record that under Syd's leadership we went very close to forming a second club at Richmond. The interest meeting held early in June was as good a start as had been obtained for the Sorell Club.

The District Governor's decision, handed down that night, to award the formation of the Richmond Club to Lindisfarne was bitterly disappointing and totally devoid of any concept of "reward for effort".

The year's major failure lay in not achieving the start of a tenth birthday project. Our intention to get a retirement village off the ground with the co-operation of the Clarence Council came to nought despite the Council's, and our, best efforts when we found that Commonwealth Government funding for such schemes had been shifted to a very low priority.

As you will have gathered from things I have mentioned during the course of the year I am extremely proud of the Rotary Club of Howrah and its capacity to get things done. I am honoured to have been President for 1984/85.

The Club's spirit is exemplified by the way it volunteered to run the 1987 District Conference.

I wish to thank all members and the Board for their willing and enthusiastic support during the year.

JOHN A. COTTERELL
PRESIDENT 1984/85

1984/85 CLUB SERVICE REPORT

CLUB SERVICE - DIRECTOR - GRAEME FARRELL

SECRETARY:

This position was professionally carried out by Rotarian David Bryce. The quality of his work and correspondence not only claimed credit to himself but also our club.

TREASURER:

Phil Keane the quiet achiever, just keeps coming up with the answers and leaves the position on a very sound basis.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS:

The Club orator Tony Stacey had members and guests spell bound each meeting and together with the ready wit of Dick Wyatt made the extractions of fines painless and a year to remember.

ROTARY INFORMATION & PUBLIC DELEGATION

Nothing to report on these subjects which is no reflection on the Chairmen; both end up in the too hard basket year in, year out.

FELLOWSHIP:

A very active year, bowls night, cricket and tennis day, games night, 4 ladies nights, Christmas Dinner, service clubs meeting, charter night, change-over dinner.

Not all functions were well attended. However the board took the attitude that if only 50% turned up these members and wives should be catered for. Thank you George Casimaty.

CLUB EXTENSIONS:

By the time you have read this report it will have all happened and the charter of the Sorell Club will be history. Rotarian Syd McClymont should have his name carved out for history's sake as he has achieved a challenge where others failed and has placed Howrah Rotary at the pinnacle.

ATTENDANCE:

The dedication of Rotarian John Anderson to this position was first class and was in touch with the performance of all members throughout the year.

At the time of this report our percentage for the year 83% is quite good keeping in mind the Board granted two leave of absences related to work which should not be viewed as a precedence. Charter Member George Casimaty and Rotarian John Drinkwater are 100% attendance members, well done.

CLASSIFICATIONS/MEMBERSHIP:

We had a gain of six new members for the year. The five-for-one committee is the best way involving the whole club. Alan Morris did not receive full support for this project.

BULLETIN:

We started the year without the position filled. Lindsay Chivers offered his services with a "no frills" edition and this proved to be on time, accurate, with a few frills at times and greatly appreciated.

PROGRAMME:

Here again Lindsay and his committee provided a first programme for the members with interesting guest speakers and an excellent product mix.

COMBINED SERVICE CLUB MEETING:

We slaughtered them. Thank you all.

(Editor's note: Graeme is correct however for the record it might be added that the meeting was attended by 200 +. Features included:-

- (a) Guest speaker - Sir Billy Snedden KCMG QC
- (b) Presentation of outstanding citizen award to Mrs. Jenny Filbey for her work as Director of the Rosny Children's Choir.
- (c) Presentation of cheque for \$500 "profit" from function to the Howrah Corps of Salvation Army.

Subsequent comment from other clubs was most favourable. A great effort, Graeme).

COUNTRY FAIR:

Another success to Alan Bell and Club Members.

HISTORIAN/ARCHIVIST/PROPERTY CUSTODIAN:

Eric Meagher always on the job, well done.

PHOTOGRAPHER:

David Bryce the champion flasher.

To conclude - unfortunately it came to my notice that there were a few comments that the Club did not function this year.

My comment, - if you weren't busy you did not involve yourself in the Club's programme because it has been a very busy year.

Also a comment was passed on the quality of our meetings.

My comment, - we do not hold to the protocol of some clubs however, I feel the lay-back style of our meetings suits our membership, however at the same time we appreciate our responsibilities as Rotarians and the aims of Rotary.

Thank you all for your support.

Wishing the 1985/86 Rotary Year all the best.

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE - DIRECTOR - JOHN FRAZER

On the surface a very quiet Rotary Year but on reflection a great deal was achieved or continued.

Ian Fletcher was sent to the United Kingdom as part of a Group Study Exchange and we can all remember his satisfying talk to the Club on his return in October 1984.

Kathy Limb of course is now enjoying her year as a Rotary Exchange Student in Regina Canada and it has been heartening to hear from her parents that she has settled well into Canadian life and is thoroughly enjoying herself. Further to this we look forward eagerly to our young student Joanne Marron from New York State in USA arriving in Hobart sometime in mid August. We have the host families and I am sure that all club members will ensure that she has a warm and memorable stay amongst us.

We continued our support in educating nine Indonesian orphans in the Salvation Army Home in Bandung, Java. This is an IPAC programme.

This year we also commenced a wooden bowl concept for loose change collection toward the Polio 2000 project. This is currently running well ahead of President John's schedule of 50,000 complete immunisations by the year 2005.

COMMUNITY SERVICE - DIRECTOR IAN DICKINSON

Community Service activities were restrained during 1984/85 because we were unable to establish a new major project.

However, good work was done in our traditional areas of activity. Co-operation from committee members was excellent with different members becoming involved in the organisation of each project. I am sure that this involvement lead to more members achieving some satisfaction from service with Rotary.

Activities during the year included:-

1. Book prizes to schools in our area.
2. Weekend camp for underprivileged children (John Drinkwater).
3. Drink driver education programme (Jacob George).
4. Firewood collection for Lillian Martin Home.
5. Donation towards equipment for the new laundry at Lillian Martin Home.
6. Painting and tiling at Lillian Martin Home (Noel Jacobs).
7. Approval gained for sign and Mortyn Place Park (Ralph Wehse).
8. Transport of elderly citizens in conjunction with Clarence Council outing.
9. Collection and sale of poultry manure.
10. Donation to Christian Care Centre.
11. Completion of the purchase of video recorder and T.V. at Nielson Park Community Centre.

It is recommended, that items 1, 4 and 10 become ongoing commitments for our Club. Weekend youth camps should be continued if possible and it is essential that we proceed quickly to erect the sign at Mortyn Place Park.

VOCATIONAL SERVICE - DIRECTOR DAVID LAMB

The major vocational service activity was in an area in which members have developed some expertise i.e. in conducting mock job interviews to give young people some idea of what was involved in an interview.

The major session was at the Rokeby High School where thirteen club members interviewed eighty eight Year 10 students followed by individual and general counselling.

Three evening sessions of interviews were held for the Clarence EPUY Programme.

The Clubs maintained its series of three minute job talks by members on the general theme - "Factors for change in my job".

Three students were sponsored to the RYPEN weekend and reportedly found it to be an enlightening and pleasant experience.

ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH

SERVICE ACCOUNT

SUMMARY OF MAIN ACTIVITIES 1984/85

FUND RAISING (Nett Profit)

Fair and Auction		2439
Manure Sales		770
Gate - Tas. Pacing Club		711
Project 2005		89
Million Dollar Meal		<u>156</u>
		<u>4165</u>

SERVICE ACTIVITIES (Nett Cost)

Community Service

School Prizes	246	
Child Camp	430	
Drink Driving	89	
TV/Video (Comm. Centre)	1033	
Christmas Bowl	156	
Wheel Chair	625	
Shoes	118	
Establish Wood Supply	200	
Mortyn Park	47	
Lillian Martin Laundry	500	
Rotary Health Research Fund	500	3944

International Service

Youth Exchange	86	
Ethiopian Appeal	156	
Rotary Foundation	597	
Group Exchange	325	1164

Vocational Service & Youth Affairs

Studentship	100	
RYPEN	195	<u>295</u>
		<u>5402</u>

ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH INC.

CLUB FUNDS STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE 1985

Funds on hand 1 July 1984			2069
<u>Add Receipts</u>			
Members' Subscriptions			
1984/85	2359		
1985/86	130	2489	
Weekly Dinner Excess		689	
Weekly Raffle		793	
Fines		457	
Entrance Fees		175	
Rotary Supplies		37	
Bank Interest		142	
Club Social Functions		3482	
Combined Services Dinner		543	
Chartering of Sorell Club		4077	
Gift for Staff		37	
Cheque Book Refund		4	
Secretary's Sales		10	
			<u>12935</u>
			15004
<u>Less Payments</u>			
Ladies Nights Subs.		65	
Secretarial Expenses		96	
Photographs		75	
Flowers & Gifts		96	
Rotary Down Under Subscriptions		504	
Rotary Supplies		1157	
Bank Fees		19	
Dues - District	700		
- Rotary Internat.	1166		
- Rotary Foundation	391	2257	
Bulletin		192	
Club Social Functions		3171	
Chartering of Sorell Club		4273	
Combined Services Dinner		625	
Raffle Prizes		18	
Funds on Hand 30/6/85			<u>12548</u>
			<u>2456</u>

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SEVICE FUNDS STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 1985

Funds on Hand 1 July 1984		3739
 <u>Add Receipts</u>		
Drink Driver Programme	100	
Manure Sales	819	
RYLA Photos	95	
Gate - Tas Pacing Club	711	
Bank Interest	181	
Fair	4662	
Project 2005	89	
Cheque Book Refund	19	
Million Dollar Meal	156	
Donation - City Bowls Club	10	<u>6842</u>
		10581
 <u>Less Payments</u>		
School Prizes	246	
RYLA Photos & Certificates	106	
Bank Fees	26	
Group Exchange	325	
Fair Expenses	2223	
Childrens Camp	430	
Drink Driving Programme	189	
Manure Expenses	49	
Rotary Foundation	597	
TV & Video (Neilson Pk Comm Cent)	1033	
Youth Exchange	86	
Ethiopian Appeal	156	
Christmas Bowl	156	
Wheel Chair	625	
Shoes	118	
Establish Wood Supply (Clarendon Vale Neighbourhood Centre)	200	
Mortyn Park Rotary Wheel	47	
Studentship - S. Mallison	100	
Lillian Martin Home Laundry	500	
RYPEN	195	
Rotary Health Research Fund	500	<u>7907</u>
Funds on Hand 30/6/85		<u>2674</u>