



**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH**  
**ANNUAL REPORT 1998 - 1999**



John Drinkwater  
President

## ANNUAL REPORT - 1998/99

It is with pleasure that I present the Annual Report for 1998/99. This past year has, I feel, been a most rewarding one.

As can be seen from the Directors' Reports, a wide programme of events has taken place. I know that most of these are repeats of past years, but they still bring forth fellowship at its best and are looked forward to by both members and their partners.

I would like to highlight some of these activities held in the past year:-

- Malcolm's invitation to "surf the net" at Kirksway House
- Trophy presentations
- Combined 3 way meeting with the Rotary Clubs of Oatlands and Spring Bay at Kempton
- Music Hall held at the Theatre Royal
- Family Day at Alan and Di Morriss' at Primrose Sands.

These are only some of our 'get togethers', others are mentioned in Norm's Club Service Report.

The Club's financial situation is very sound with a carry-over of funds to assist in the forthcoming year. Also funds to add to our reserve for a major community project. A committee has already been formed and is currently evaluating propositions.

Substantial contributions have been made to Rotary International via both Rotary Foundation and Rotary Health Research. The goals for these have been met and, in fact, exceeded.

Through our fund-raising we have continued to provide ongoing support to the community and youth programmes detailed in the Directors' reports.

On the subject of fund-raising, it was a sad moment when our planned major fundraiser failed. Thanks must go to the Committee for their willingness and determination in trying to make that project eventuate. I believe that somewhere, somehow we will make it all happen in the near future.

Except for the washout of the Open Day at Government House, our other fund-raisers were a success.

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Most of the Southern Rotary Clubs of our district were involved in the running of the Special Olympics held in Hobart last December. It was a great honour indeed to be asked to participate in this important and most successful event which also had the distinction of being the largest sporting event ever held in Tasmania. My sincere thanks go to club volunteers, their partners and family members who gave their time to help. Special Olympics indeed they were! We were rewarded so well by the loving natures of the competitors, family members and team managers.

Membership has declined over the past two years but I believe we have the nucleus to make our Club stronger by the induction of younger members of our community, both male and female into our Rotary Club.

Our Rotary Student Exchange involvement was mainly overnight billeting with an added bonus of a hands-on shearing display at George Casimaty's property. My thanks go to all those who participated at this event.

During the ANZAAS Convention held in Hobart from 30 September to 3 October 1998, three young people were billeted by Lesley and Max Dunstone. Many thanks for this and also chauffeuring back and forth.

The G.S.E. team from North Carolina was entertained for the day by a few club members and their wives. The day concluded with an enjoyable club meeting which was also a Ladies Evening.

On a district level the Annual Conference was attended by four representatives from our Club. Thank you to those who attended. Also our Rotary Club is represented at District level by three of our members - Lindsay, Reg and Glen.

A Rotary Health Seminar was held in Hobart and was attended by Bob and Reg. There is a publication soon to be released called "75 years of Rotary in Tasmania". I wish to thank the Committee concerned in writing an article on the history and highlights of our Club.

Throughout the year we have enjoyed excellent guest speakers covering many interesting and informative topics.

Before concluding, I must make mention of the sad parting of a dear and knowledgeable member, P.D.G. Alan Leth, who is sadly missed.

To incoming president David and his team, I know that with all your knowledge and expertise, the forthcoming year will be a very successful one. I wish you all the very best for 1999/00.

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In conclusion, I extend my sincere thanks to all Board Members, fellow Rotarians and their wives for their support and assistance given to me. My deepest appreciation to the Club for electing me and giving me the honour of being your President for 1998/99.

*John Drinkwater*

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "John Drinkwater". The signature is highly stylized and cursive, with large loops and a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left and then curves back under the main text.

# **ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH**

## **CLUB SERVICE 1998-1999**

**COMMITTEE : Norm Cooper, Glen Woolley, Ian Cowie, Alan Morriss, John Anderson, Graeme Farrell, George Gilbert, Peter Calvert, John Bresnehan, Hank Bouman.**

### **INTRODUCTION**

**It is with great pleasure that I present the annual report of the Club Service Committee for the period July 1998-June 1999.**

### **ATTENDANCE**

**Attendance figures have not been as good as we had hoped for and there has not been as many make-ups as we would like to have seen thereby lowering our overall attendance figures.**

**Due to a significant number of members having extended holidays during the winter months we unfortunately will not achieve any appreciable improvement in attendance for some time.**

### **MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.**

**We have unfortunately lost six members in this period ; Les Job, Ross Hilder, Ron Stow, Michael Longbottom, Allan Leth, and Ian Cowie.**

**Honorary membership of the Rotary Club of Howrah has been granted to the following former members; Tony Stacey, Dennis Miller, and Ralph Wehse. We look forward to enjoying their company whenever they find it possible to attend a meeting.**



## **FELLOWSHIP AND SOCIAL.**

**The club has enjoyed ongoing great fellowship at regular meetings together with partners nights and activities including;**

**Assistant Governors visit,**

**District Governors visit,**

**Christmas dinner,**

**Partners evenings,**

**Working bee at the Sandford chapel,**

**Royal Hobart Golf charity day,**

**Combined meeting with Bellerive at Shoreline,**

**Christmas breakfast,**

**Million dollar meal at Peter and Jan Chews,**

## **FUND RAISING**

**The cancellation of the Boat and Leisure show was a blow to our fund raising but was the only course of action the circumstances. We have however participated in the following ventures;**

**Government House Open Day Catering (A wash out!!)**

## ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH

### COMMUNITY SERVICE 1998/99 REPORT.

**COMMITTEE:** Max Dunstone, Terry Morrisby, Noel Jacobs, Fred Hampton, Kim Farrow, Bob Jones.

**PROGRAM:**

The following projects have been supported.

**Royal Hobart Golf Club Charity golf Day**

This yielded \$750.00 for our efforts in providing refreshments at the golf course, boosted by \$614.00 from the associated raffle, bringing total club receipts from the event to \$1,364.00

Special thanks to members for their response to this raffle in adverse circumstances.

**Student Citizenship Awards - Local Schools**

There were ten (10) acceptances, with aggregate expenditure of \$ . We were able to provided Club representatives at the bulk of school presentation functions.

**Australian Rotary Health Research Fund**

Our major contribution was a donation of \$1,000.00, supplemented by \$45.00 from sale of A.R.H.R.F. Christmas Cards.

**Science Came Woodbridge Discovery Centre**

Sponsorship of \$200.00 was provided to the Rokeby High School to enable attendance at the camp by deserving, disadvantaged students.

**Tas Bash 1998**

Donation of \$100.00

**ABC Giving Tree**

Donation of \$100.00

**“Sunsmart” Shade Projects in Schools.**

Requested that \$79.00 be provided to assist establishment of a shaded area for St. Johns Richmond Kindergarten School.

We are currently awaiting more detailed information and cost estimates for a shade project at Rokeby Primary School.

**“Glen Kinross Scroll”**

Project initiated by Australian District Governors in recognition of Glen Kinross' year as International President. Excellent member support yielded \$52.00, and national proceeds are to be diverted to A.R.H.R.F., Australian Kidney Foundation, and the Rotary Foundation.

**Financial Assistance - Stefan Glina.**

Support sought by Department of Community and Health Services to purchase special tricycle for Stefan, intellectually disabled person of Rokeby, at a cost of \$799.00. The tricycle will greatly assist and improve Stefan's health quality, life/self esteem, and physiological development, all of which currently stands at low levels, with little chance of real improvement. Our \$400.00 donation was supplemented by \$399.00 from Lions Clubs of Clarence, who also recognise this as a most worthwhile project, assisting a severely disadvantaged number of our community.



**Sandford Hall Maintenance.**

A working party to undertake painting was provided late in 1998.

**Special Olympics 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> December 1998**

Our involvement was in meeting teams on arrival at the airport and ensuring their transport to designated accommodation. Also in assisting at the Special Breakfast for officials/supporters at Wrest Point on 3 December. Both involvements were memorable for participating Rotarians in an, at times demanding but most worthwhile exercise.

**Nielsen Park Project**

Carried forward from 1997/98 and still remains with the Clarence City Council for preparation of final plans, following which we are to further consider our involvement. It seems unlikely the project will get off the ground before the 1999/2000 Rotary year, but will likely comprise volunteer labour in association with a cash sponsorship of up to \$500.00. This amount has already been approved, 'In principle'.

**Kosovo Refugees.**

\$200.00 donation for sporting equipment.

**Howrah Primary School.**

A request from the Howrah Primary School Parents and Friends for funding for a bush band for a fund raising evening was refused. An offer was made to consider funding for school equipment, however to date no reply has been received.

**Ronald McDonald House**

\$120.00 donation was made to Ronald McDonald House to fund three (3) notice boards was supported by the Community Service Committee and agreed to by the Board.

**"Bowelscan".**

A national program by Rotary for the early diagnosis of prostate cancer. The project enjoys significant success and we have sought more information from the Rotary Bowelscan Committee secretary with a view to its possible inclusion in future programming.

**Conclusion.**

Whilst we have again provided very worthwhile assistance to the community in a number of areas, our program for 1998/99 has not been fully realised.

This has been largely occasioned by delay in the "Nielsen Park" project and our recent decision, following lengthy investigation and consideration not to proceed in the "Smokeout Australia" Project. The logistics and compliance requirements involving "Smokeout" were significantly inconclusive and rigid as to render us uncomfortable in committing our limited member resource to the project.

Finally I extend to committee and all club members my appreciation for their efforts in support of the Community Service and the Board, headed by President Jhohn, in meeting financial requirements of the program.

**BOB JONES  
COMMUNIT SERVICE DIRECTOR**

## ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE REPORT FOR 1998 – 99

#### Summary

We started with an ambitious program from a low base. While we did not achieve all we set out to do, we did make some significant contributions, set out below:

1. Operation Livewire. Two members, Reg Emmett and John Anderson were mentors for projects.
2. Siemens Science Experience. There were no potential year 10 students interested in this 3 day summer program.
3. RYLA. This youth leadership program did not attract participants for our club to support.
4. RYPEN. This program was not supported.
5. MUNA. Our club supported two attendees from Emmanuel Christian School. Both enjoyed and gained from the experience. We should arrange for them to report to us in July/August this year.
6. Pride of Workmanship. Our club presented an award to George and Helen Schorta and a commendation to Ken and Anne Allanby
7. School Liaison. Our club presented prizes at all local high schools and, at Rosny College, five students shared in two awards.
8. Jack Shapiro attended the National Youth Science Forum and addressed the Club, outlining its real benefits to him – probably the best thing we do.



**RG Shoobridge**  
16 June 1999.

ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH INC

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FROM 1.7.1998 - 17.6.1999  
CLUB ACCOUNT

BALANCE AS AT 30.6.1998 \$ 2,864.06

INCOME:

DINNER FEES	6350.00
HEALTH BOWL	255.55
FINES	742.30
SUBSCRIPTIONS	4050.00
ROTARY SUPPLIES	9.00
RAFFLE	1471.40
RICHMOND FLOAT CREDIT	1000.00
SERVICE ACCOUNT CREDITS	490.50
INTEREST	1.88

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\$ 14,368.65

\$ 17,232.71

EXPENDITURE:

DISTRICT DUES	1557.65
ROTARY INT DUES	1810.18
ROTARY DOWNUNDER	822.50
ROTARY SUPPLIES	967.50
DINNER FEES	6187.70
POSTAGE	317.95
BUS HIRE KEMPTON	80.00
ROTARY FOUNDATION	487.00
CORPORATE AFFAIRS	45.00
AUDITOR W.BOUVILL	150.00
BANDS AT FUNCTIONS	600.00
THE MERCURY	138.00
ABBAS FLORIST	200.00
SERVICE ACCOUNT DEBITS	490.50
RICHMOND FAIR FLOAT	1000.00
CLUB MATE COMPUTER DISC	...229.50
ROTARY CLUB PORT PIRIER	26.00
LETTER HEAD	79.00
BANK FEES	27.92

\$ 15,215.90

**TOTAL AS AT 17.6.99**

\$ 2,016.81

MEMBERS PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDS AS AT THE 30.6.1999.

SOME CREDITS YOU WILL SEE RE: SERVICE ACCOUNT WAS WHEN WE WERE RUNNING LOW IN THE EARLY PART OF THE YEAR IN THE SERVICE ACCOUNT AND UNTIL SUCH TIME WE HAD FUNDS FROM THE BOAT SHOW.



ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH INC  
 FINANCIAL STATEMENT FROM 1.7.1998 - 17.6.1999  
 SERVICE ACCOUNT

BALANCE AS AT 30.6.98		\$ 756.21
<b>INCOME:</b>		
NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE	270.00	
INVEST INTEREST	157.23	
RICHMOND FAIR TAKINGS	2270.90	
RHGC RAFFLE BOOKS	614.00	
RHGC 4TH TEE	750.00	
SALES	159.78	
AUTO DAY FLOAT	1000.00	
AUTO DAY CHOC WHEEL	156.50	
AUTO DAY FOOD STALL	702.45	
INSURANCE CLAIM 98	444.70	
R.C.WAVERLEY	45.00	
DONATION F/SHORE	250.00	
REGATTA FLOAT	1000.00	
REGATTA TAKINGS	2466.30	
G.K.SCROLL	52.00	
MILLION DOLLAR MEAL	226.20	
RICHMOND SCHOOL FAIR FLOAT	500.00	
RICHMOND SCHOOL FAIR TAKINGS	940.40	
BOAT SHOW EARNINGS	3170.00	
INT GSE CHANGE	2.10	
INTEREST	2.41	
		\$...15,449.97
		\$ 16,206.18

**EXPENDITURE:**

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE	895.00
R.C.HOWRAH NYSC REFUND CLUB	270.00
GROUND HIRE RICHMOND FAIR	90.00
RHGC RAFFLE BOOKS	614.00
BRUMBY BRO-PRIZES	620.80
FREEDOM FURNITURE-PRIZES	111.50
RHS SCIENCE CAMP	200.00
VAN REGISTRATION	79.00
TAS BASH	100.00

R.C. OF WAVERLEY	45.00
INT EX STUDENTS MEALS	162.00
ABC GIVING TREE	100.00
SCHOOL PRIZE AWARDS	369.35
BENSONS PRIZES	790.00
AUTO DAY FLOAT	1000.00
AUTO DAY CRIPPS	64.00
AUTO DAY ROBBOS	105.00
R.C. CAIRNS-HEART OPERATION	500.00
CGNA INS REFUND	45.00
AUTO DAY ALLFOODS	320.20
REGATTA FLOAT	1000.00
REGATTA DAY GROUND HIRE	300.00
GOVT HOUSE EXPENSES	53.60
SPIN TICKETS CHOC WHEEL	36.00
CRIPPS BAKERY	88.00
NATIONAL FOODS	88.80
G.K.SCROLL R.C BRIDGEWATER	52.00
ST JOHNS SCHOOL	79.00
BERNIE JONES CYCLES	400.00
RICHMOND SCHOOL FAIR FLOAT	500.00
ROTARY HEALTH RESEARCH	1000.00
ROTARY FOUNDATION	1000.00
ROSNY COLLEGE	300.00
INT GSE -G.WOOLLEY	450.00
GIO VAN INSURANCE	90.12
MUNA-R.C DELORAINÉ	160.00
VOCATIONAL AWARDS	74.00
R.C. BRIGHTON	200.00
PUBLIC TRUSTEES	1000.00
TASMANIAN TRUSTEES	1000.00
RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE	120.00
RAWCS	74.00
BANK FEES	27.83

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\$ 14,574.20

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\$ 1,631.98

**CHOCOLATE WHEEL PRIZES:**

VALUE OF STOCK AS AT 1/7/1998	\$1,608.58
VALUE OF STOCK AS AT 30/6/1999	\$ 874.52
REDUCTION OF STOCK	\$ 734.06

**ROTARY CLUB OF HOWRAH INC  
INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS**

<b>PERPETUAL TRUSTEES:</b>	
<b>FUNDS HELD AS AT 30.4.1999</b>	<b>\$10,406.78</b>
<b>TASMANIAN TRUSTEES:</b>	
<b>FUNDS HELD AS AT 30.4.1999</b>	<b>\$10,171.19</b>
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	<b>\$20,577.97</b>

**\*NOTE:**

**TASMANIAN TRUSTEES SENT 2 PAYMENTS WHICH WAS CREDITED TO THE SERVICE ACCOUNT, DUE TO THEIR FAILURE TO REINVEST THE INTEREST THIS HAS BEEN RECTIFIED, THE AMOUNT CREDITED TO THE SERVICE WAS \$157.23.**

**WE WILL RECEIVE ANOTHER CREDIT FOR THE JUNE QUARTER. INTEREST RECEIVED TO DATE FROM 1.7.1998 TO 30.4.99 IS \$735.20.**