

Rotary Club of Howrah

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Bulletin

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People Of Action In And For Our Community.

Thursday 16th November 2023

Tiger Somerville - My Windeward Bound Experience.

MAYOR OF CLARENCE - BRENDAN BLOMELEY

It was great to welcome the Mayor of the City of Clarence, Brendan Blomeley to our meeting last Thursday. Brendan has been in local government for over a decade, coming from a background of business management. He began his presentation by acknowledging the contribution made to the Clarence community by the Rotary Club of Howrah for over forty years. Brendan felt the City of Clarence was in a period of transformation to a thriving business centre with over six billion dollars of investment between 2016-2021, along with a 21% increase in employment and a 12% increase in population growth. He stated that the City Hub Plan was a great opportunity to continue this growth and prosperity.



He also mentioned some current developments like the high performance centre for the proposed AFL teams and the continuing saga of the Chambroad project. Brendan also endeavoured to answer some interesting questions from the floor. We thank him for giving his time so freely to speak with us.

A NEW POP UP ROTARY BOOKSHOP



The challenge of operating two bookshops from Saturday 11th until next Friday 17th of November was accepted by our Club. A willing crew met to set up tables at the Glebe Hill Village on Saturday morning and then moved around twenty crates of books from Howrah Point to the pop up shop. A task made easier by Rotarian Terry's brother, Colin, who provided a flat tray ute which carried all of the books. The tables were laden with a great selection of fiction and children's books ready for the 10.00 am opening. Trading was brisk and by the shift change at 1.00 pm our coffers had grown by \$300, it didn't slow down in the afternoon with approximately another \$350 raised, totalling \$650 by the end of day one. We had to restock the tables twice during the day. A fantastic start! Many thanks and much appreciation to everyone who has been able to assist on the roster and the set up.

FROM THE PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Projects Director Anne Reeves advised that her committee will put three proposals for the Board to consider at their next meeting. The first is to ascertain the interest in our local schools in having a Rotary Peace Pole installed in their school, similar to the one put in place at Rokeby PS in 2020. The second is to support the Salvation Army's Christmas Lunch Appeal. Finally as part of Domestic Violence Week in November we support Share The Dignity's "It's In The Bag" appeal. Share the Dignity is a women's charity in Australia, that works to make a real difference in the lives of those experiencing homelessness, fleeing domestic violence, or doing it tough. Bags filled with essential personal hygiene items, and maybe some everyday luxuries and a handwritten note, to donate to someone in need for Christmas.

HERE AND THERE ...

- We welcomed another prospective member in Leanne Benson and Hon. Member David Mitchell to last week's meeting. Raza's birthday chocolates were also a treat.
- Next week is Pollination Week so Rotarian Bob Hardy is off to Clarendon Primary School to speak about bees and other bugs to the Early Childhood classes.
- **Here are some important December dates for your Diary.** Our last Thursday evening meeting at the Bellerive Yacht Club will be on 7th . **Christmas Lunch** will be on Sunday 10th at South Arm RSL & Community Club. The final Club meeting will be a **Christmas Breakfast** on Thursday 14th at Red Square in Cambridge commencing at 8.00am. Please contact Shirin if you will be able to attend. **Our first meeting for 2024** will be an evening BBQ at Gayle's residence at Otago Bay on January 15th. More details later.
- **RAFFLE WINNERS:** The Mayor of Clarence Brendan Blomeley won the white wine and his new best friend David Mitchell will deliver it **AND** as usual Shirin won the chocolates again.

NOVEMBER CELEBRATIONS

Birthdays

2nd Margaret Anderson

3rd Tony Watton

13th Meera George

Wedding Anniversaries

Lindsay & Jean Chivers



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

"We acknowledge and pay respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the traditional and original owners and continuing custodians of this land on which we gather and acknowledge Elders – past and present of Lutruwita".



DIARY OF EVENTS ...

NOVEMBER

Thurs. 16th Tiger Somerville - Her Windeward Bound experience.

Sat.18th Group 2 Forum at Triabunna. Lunch - \$15.

Sun. 19th Bunnings BBQ - Volunteers will be required.

Thurs.23rd TBA

Thurs. 30th Annual General Meeting.

DECEMBER

Sat. 2nd Bunnings BBQ - Volunteers will be required

Thurs 7th Club Assembly

Fri 8th Chocolate Wheel at the Corpus Christi School Fair. 4.30-6.30pm.

Sun. 10th Christmas Lunch on Sunday at South Arm RSL & Community Club

Thurs. 14th Xmas Breakfast at Red Square in Cambridge 8.00 am.

Duty Roster.....

Greeter

Duty Officers

Nov. 16th

Helen

Rob & Richard

Nov. 23rd

Karin

Terry & Numan

Nov. 30th

Reg

David H & Ken

Dec. 7th

Reg

David T & Raza

ATTENDANCE PROTOCOL

Members who **are unable** to attend Thursday meetings **OR** those who **do not require** a meal should **contact SHIRIN before lunchtime on Tuesdays.**

Contact SHIRIN at smp@internode.on.net or **0466790991.**