# Rotary Club of Howrah

Theme 2023-2024



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President: Reg Emmett Secretary: **Robyn Harrison** Bulletin Editor: **Rob Warren** 

People Of Action In And For Our Community.

# Thursday 27th July 2023

**Ben Short - Computer Crimes** 

## Matthew Zukauskas - Security in Shopping Centres.

Constable Matthew Zukauskas has been in the Police Force for 17 years and is currently on the Early Intervention team in the South East Division. He works mainly with disengaged youth through schools and community groups like the PCYC. Matt spoke about the four step youth diversion process starting with an Informal Caution through to the final step the Youth Court if individuals do not engage with the process and continue their anti-social behaviour. Sadly a minority seem to disrespect the best efforts of all parties and slip through the net. Matt then detailed some of the persistent problems facing shop owners and the management at places like Eastlands, Northgate, the CBD of Hobart and the new Glebe Hill Centre. Shop lifting, trespass, vandalism, abusive behaviour are com-

mon. While the actual numbers of recidivists is not large there is a sense of frustration that there is not a quick fix. There is no doubt however that Matt and his colleagues are passionate and devoted to trying to assist these young people while also trying to keep the wider community safe. Matt is pictured here with Chairperson Terry.



# ANOTHER NEW MEMBER - WELCOME ANNE SHEEHAN .....

President Reg had another pleasant duty at last Thursday's meeting. He inducted a fourth new Rotarian to the Rotary Club of Howrah in the space of two weeks. Anne was warmly welcomed by members and guests, one of who was Bill Sames who



joined us for his first meeting as a prospective new member. Anne's classification is Health Services. Anne is pictured with her Proposer, Secretary Robyn Harrison. Welcome Anne.

## NEWS FROM THE ROTARY BOOKSHOP .....

Firstly President Reg advises that the Bookshop roster is more settled and an enthusiastic team are ensuring our customers are well looked after. There are times however where "regulars" are unavailable so please stay alert to email requesting support to fill the gaps. The shifts are not onerous and time passes relatively quickly sorting and allocating donated books into their correct positions and there is always plenty of interesting chat with our regular customers. The coffee at the store next door is always a highlight.

Treasurer Gayle informed us that our average weekly takings are around \$700 which similar to our efforts in the original bookshop next door.

Our Bookshop now has its own Facebook page which is getting 'hits' so all Club members are asked to check out our page and to ensure the "like" it and perhaps write some positive comments. Share the page with your friends on Facebook can also advertise our shop.

Bookshop Management Committee member Terry organized a visit and interview with a journalist from the local paper the Eastern Shore Sun last week. Plenty of information was exchanged and lots of photos were taken. Watch out for our story in the Sun soon.



## HERE AND THERE ....

- As advised in a recent Bulletin our Club has donated \$1000 to the Jad-o-Jehad Foundation which is a youth-based organization that works for thalassemia awareness, women's empowerment, disaster management and other community service. One of our new members Numan Rasul will soon be in Pakistan at a community health camp. Our donated funds will help support the provision of urgent medical treatment for local communities. No doubt Numan will report back to the Club on the success of the camp.
- President Reg is looking for volunteers to coordinate Youth activities.
   This involves liaising with our local school and youth based groups to ascertain how our Club can provide support for their activities. This does not require the volunteers to be on the Board.
- The latest Rotary Directory is now available in printed form. Contact Pres. Reg if you would like a copy. It has lots of information and contact details for all activities in District 9830 Tasmania.
- Planning for the Homely Retreats Annual raffle and Quiz Night is progressing well. Our Club will provide the catering for this most worthy cause which provides a weekend getaway for cancer patients and their immediate family. Some members are forming a table to participate in the Quiz section. If you'd like to join a table contact Secretary Robyn. The function will be held at the Howrah Community Centre commencing at 7.00 pm on Saturday 29th July.
- RAFFLE WINNERS: Terry took the chocolates and David Harrison was delighted to take home the red.

#### 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 ...

#### **JUNE**

Thurs. 27th Ben Short - Computer Crimes

Fri. 28th Friday Drinks @ Bellerive Yacht Club—5.00 pm.

Sat. 29th Homely Retreats Raffle and Quiz Night.

### **AUGUST**

Thurs. 3rd District Governor - Mike Patten Visit.

Wed. 9th Coffee Club Local Grocer Cambridge Park 10.30 am.

Thurs. 10th Club Assembly.

Thurs. 17th TBA

Fri. 25th Friday Drinks @ Bellerive Yacht Club—5.00 pm.

Duty Roster..... Greeter Duty Officers

Thurs. 27th July - Ankita Ishwari & Bob

Thurs. 3rd Aug. - Reg Raza & David H

Thurs. 10th Aug - Reg Numan & Ken



## SOME CRICKET COMEDY ....



#### 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.