

Rotary Club of Howrah



Bulletin

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People Of Action In And For Our Community.

19th MARCH 2026

Danielle Perkins & Brian Powell - Search and Rescue.

ANNIE CAMERON - RAISE CAMBODIA PROJECT

Annie is a member of the Rotary Club of Sorell but her passion is overseas. Annie lives at Copping with her husband William, and they have been married for 30 years. They have 4 children and 2 stepchildren and altogether we have 20 grandchildren. Annie works part time doing Commercial Property Management and accounting. Will and Annie have been involved in South East Asian Raise projects for the past 18 years. They began in Vietnam but since 2012 they have worked in Cambodia building houses, schools, toilets and more. Annie went off to Cambodia to live and learn the language. Pol Pot caused a lot of destruction to the country was unsettled for a long time. Fifty years on, there is positive growth but progress is slow as families have not recovered from their great losses. Conditions are very bleak there is no rubbish collection and dumps become living and fossicking areas, where scavenging and foraging is the norm. Dental issues for children are a real health issue. The people really appreciate any help offered them and they find it almost unbelievable that someone from overseas cares enough to offer help.



MORE FROM ANNIE..

Through Raise, spending time and money to educate the locals, especially in country areas they are helping to help themselves in how to get on with life. Gifts of toys, bikes, as there are no buses. Teaching the people how to grow vegetables, a skill forgotten and lost in a tragic generation. Basic things like homes with bathrooms, especially toilets are being made available to those who simply didn't know they existed.

Annie's presentation was not all doom and gloom however, progress is being made but it is slow work. BUT, with positivity it all helps even if it is in small bits. Thanks for the insight, Annie.

HERE AND THERE

- **Apologies:** Rob Warren, Numan, Raza, Sandra and Riley Hall, Bob Hardy, and David Taylor.
- Our Club's deepest sympathies at the passing of Secretary Robyn's sister, Cheryl Hazelwood, our hearts and positive thoughts are with the family at this sad and difficult time.
- The Events Committee will meet at 5pm meeting in the Marina Bar on **19th of March.**
- We hope Numan and Raza had a safe trip to Pakistan ~ for Numan a much -looked-forward-to family reunion ~ and for Raza an impending wedding . We hope both 'lads' fully enjoy their 'stay' in safety, in their original homeland.
- **RAFFLE WINNERS:** As is becoming the norm, Annette E won a prize in the BYC raffle, while Robyn won the chocolates which she left at home, so it was OK and Karin was happy with the "white"!

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Pres. Gayle is still keen to have a group of Howrah Rotarians at the District Assembly to be held at Deloraine on the 19th April. Please contact Pres. Gayle if you are keen to learn more about Rotary in the "bigger picture".

Car-pooling would be a possibility, if you are willing to go. Please let Pres. Gayle know before or **no later than Saturday the 14th of April**, please, so arrangements can be made.

The Assembly would be especially interesting for new members, because it allows participants to expand their perception of how Rotary functions and to hear all about interesting projects other Clubs, across the State, are organising for their communities.



DIARY OF EVENTS ...

MARCH

Thurs.19th Danielle Perkins & Brian Powell - Search and Rescue.

Thurs.26th Social Evening - Quiz Night ****PARTNERS ARE MOST WELCOME.****

APRIL

Thurs. 2nd ***** NO MEETING - EASTER *****

Thurs. 9th **Club Assembly and Board Meeting**

Thurs. 16th **Social Night - Dinner at the Motor Yacht Club of Tasmania 6.00pm.**

	DUTY	ROSTER	
Date	Greeter/ Chair	Registration	Duty Officers
Thurs. 19th	Rose	Anne & Judy	David H & Ken
Thurs. 26th	George	Reg & Robyn	
Thurs. 2nd	*** NO	MEETING -	EASTER ***
Thurs. 9th	Gayle	Terry & Sue	Bob & Lou

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".

