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People Of Action In And For Our Community.

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Club Assembly and Board Meeting. *Downstairs in Marina Bar.*****

JODIE EPPER - "Diversity And Inclusion In Teenage Years."

Jodie is the Education Manager of A Fairer World, whose mission is stated

on their website as *"Every organisation has a story—ours begins with a belief that everyone deserves to be seen, heard, and valued. Like any good story, ours is shaped by the voices of many: young people, educators, workplaces, and community members who share a commitment to justice, inclusion, and equality. We're not here to preach—we're here to connect, to listen, and to turn the pages together toward a more compassionate future."*



Jodie is an experienced educator with a strong passion for social justice. To help us understand and experience the type of program Jodie leads in schools, both primary, secondary and colleges, she acted as a Human Book and told us about her story of "lived experience". Jodie grew up in a very poor and unsettled family. She endured many changes in houses, schools and even family members. As a child she was often hungry and neglected, which led to exclusion, bullying, discrimination and homelessness. In spite of this adversity as she grew older she realized education was the answer to break out of a broken social system. She was successful and now has two university degrees, a house, and her own family.

The Hobart Human Library now has 20 Human Books all of whom have been discriminated against, but have survived it. By telling their stories "kids can identify with the human book's story and as one child said after a session "Today I feel seen." It is an inspiring story which is now statewide working in schools, migrant centres and work places. Many thanks Jodie for an excellent presentation.



OUR NEW BOOKSHOP (KINDA)



Our sixth iteration of the Rotary Bookshop is now in full operation at the Little Howrah Point Centre. After some painting and electrical work we were able to manage two big book transfers to get thousands of books in place and ready for sale. A mammoth team effort led and organized by our fearless leaders Terry and President. Gayle.



In our first week of trading we raised a creditable \$600, considering we have reduced our operating



hours by two days. On the bright side hundreds of books have been donated all of which have been in excellent condition. As these pictures attest all book crates are now full, the range continues to be very eclectic in both



fiction and non fiction categories. These even a good selection of jigsaw puzzles. Our willing volunteers from Club members have signed on again which is much appreciated, as are the hard working non-member volunteers who give up their time to support a good cause. As you can see from this jolly pair, David Mitchell (Honorary Member) and Rotarian Bob Hardy, our customers are greeted by a smiling face and people that are only too willing to assist. More volunteers would be welcome.



END OF YEAR FESTIVITIES

Our Christmas Luncheon is at **Barilla Bay Restaurant** on first floor via lift, suitable for wheelchairs and disabled toilet available.

Tasman Hwy, Cambridge, entrance just before the Tasmania Golf Club, on Sunday 14th December at 12noon.



abundance

ON THE QUAY

Our End-of-year last 2025 meeting

breakfast will be **“Abundance on the Quay”**. Shop 1/5 Clarence St, Bellerive at 8.00 am on Thursday 18th of December. (Parking in the carpark between Bellerive Quay complex and Dan Murphy’s).

HERE AND THERE

- Many tanks to all who could assist at last week’s Bunnings BBQ in what was a mammoth day. The final result was a \$2222.00 profit an outstanding effort. Well done to Chef George for cooking hundreds of snags and to BBQ Boss Gayle who always ensures everything is organized and ready for action.
- Sincere congratulations are extended to Rotarian Numan Rasul on receiving his permanent residency in Australia. Couldn’t think of a more worthy new Australian.
- Projects Coordinator Sue Morris advised that all ten of our local schools will have a Club member presenting Howrah Rotary’s awards for worthy recipients at End Of Year Celebration Assemblies.
- Pres. Gayle advised that each Club member will receive a \$10 subsidy for the Christmas Lunch at Barilla Bay Restaurant on Sunday 14th December.
- Please note that next week’s club Assembly will be held in the downstairs Marina Bar at the BYC.
- **RAFFLE WINNERS:** Much to David’s chagrin, Secretary Robyn took the chocolates which allowed Pres. Gayle, in milli-seconds to select the red wine.

DIARY OF EVENTS ...

DECEMBER

Thurs. 4th Club Assembly and Board Meeting. *Downstairs in Marina Bar.*****

Thurs. 11th Manty Arnott; "Gorillas in Rwanda".

Sunday 14th Xmas Lunch at Barilla Bay Restaurant, Cambridge 12.00 noon.

Thurs, 18th Breakfast at Abundance Restaurant. Bellerive Quay. 8.00am

APOLOGIES.... Apologies for Thursday 27th October. Razza, Shohrab, Mike and Sally Townsend, David Taylor, Sandra and Riley Hall, Lou Otto, Sue Morris and Rose Clark .

	DUTY	ROSTER	
Date	Greeter/Chair	Registration	Duty Officers
Thurs. 4th	Gayle	Sue M & Judy	Raza & Terry
Thurs. 11 th	Bob H.	Anne & Rose	Peter A & David H

THANKS AGAIN TO OUR TERRIFIC SPONSORS



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".

