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Rotary
PEOPLE OF ACTION

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People of Action In And For Our Community

20th August 2026 – Club Assembly / Board Meeting (Marina Bar Downstairs)

Reg – My Rotary – how to log on, why it is important to have a profile, a brief overview of the website.

President's Wrap Up / Summary

When welcoming members and guests, Sue was congratulated on becoming a grandparent to baby Zoe, who arrived early last week. Congratulations to Sue, Brett and family.

Our guest speaker was **Chloe Webb from Surf Lifesaving Tasmania**. Chloe is based at Kingston Beach.

She shared information about water safety, hazards of which to be aware, wave types, how to identify rips and currents, inshore holes, avoiding currents and how to escape a rip should you become caught in one.

Chloe told members how important it is to swim between the flags when swimming at a patrolled beach.

There were some key safety factors such as; never swimming alone or at night, and to look for hazards at the beach such as rips, marine life and pollution before entering the water.

If you get caught in a rip do not try and swim against it, float on your back, stay calm, follow the rip out and then swim back in around it. They do not go on forever and do not drag you under – Chloe reiterated the importance of floating and not panicking!

She told us about attracting attention if you get caught in a rip or need assistance when swimming.

If someone has a near drowning experience, it is vital that they seek medical attention, even if they feel okay once they have left the water. Inhaled water can build up in the lungs and can lead to second-hand drowning, sometimes hours after the event.

Surf Life Saving Tasmania - First Aid Training, Administration, Lifesaving, Lifeguards, Coastal Safety, Development, Junior Activities, Community

President's Report

Anne reminded members that next week will be a board meeting on 20th August, with all members to attend. This replaces club assembly. If members have any items for agenda for General Business, please email Anne by COB Wednesday 19 August. anne.reeves@decyp.tas.gov.au

If you need assistance accessing the agenda, please contact Anne and she will endeavour to help.

Anne also asked for someone to take notes at the board meeting next week. No volunteers were forthcoming, so Rob agreed to take this role. If there is anyone who was not at the meeting and would like to take notes, please let Anne know.

Directors' Reports

George (Events) – the Christmas breakfast will be at Atmosfire in Howrah Road, the Christmas lunch will be at Beaches. More details will be provided closer to the time. George will require RSVPs for both events by 29 November.

November's social night will be held at Moonah Bowl; we will need a minimum of 15 participants to secure a lane booking. More information soon.

Gayle (Treasurer) – last month, the club paid for the BYC meals and the bookshop rent. Despite a quiet month at the bookshop, it still earnt $2800. Gayle let members know that Robyn is improving and she visited her during the week.

There have been various conversations about having back-up people for roles within the club, Karin has volunteered to learn about being a treasurer. Thanks Karin!

There was a question about who is doing the secretary role – this has not really been discussed yet, but Reg, Gayle and Anne have access to the club emails and have been responding as appropriate.

Sue (Projects) – there will be a Projects Committee meeting on Thursday 20 August at 5:00pm, upstairs at BYC.

Raffle Winners

Anne's ticket was drawn for the raffle, and she chose the red wine. The second draw was also one of Anne's tickets, leading to a redraw where Sally chose the chocolates.

Sergent's Session

Sergeant Rob led a left-handed themed fines session with our two left-handers, Sally and Chloe, exempt from paying fines. Members did not have to pay if they

could answer Rob's questions about famous left-handers and left-handed statistics!

Apologies

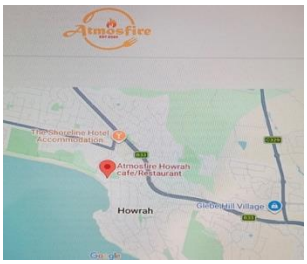
Apologies were received from Robyn and David Harrison, Karin, Terry, Sandra, Riley and Judy.

DIARY OF EVENTS

DATE	Greeter/Chair	Registration	Duty Officers	Where	Content
Thursday 20th August	Anne	Sally & Sandra	Mike & Bob	Marina Bar (Downstairs)	Reg Presentation on Rotary website, Club/Board Meeting
Thursday 27th August	Bob	Gloria & Gayle	Numan & Peter	Training Room (Upstairs)	Guest speaker: Ronald McDonald House TBC
Thursday 3rd September	Anne	Sue & Rob	George & Judy	Marina Bar (Downstairs)	TBC
Thursday 10th September	Anne	Numan & Karin	David H & Suzie	Training Room (Upstairs)	TBC

NOTE

- The **Board Meeting** will be held during the **Club Assembly on Thursday, 20 August 2026**. The meeting agenda and the previous Board Meeting minutes are available on **Google Docs**. Members experiencing any difficulties accessing these documents are encouraged to contact **Anne.**



Brekky gather for Howrah Rotary for 2026

"Atmosfire Café" for our **Christmas Breakfast**

4/13 Howrah Rd. Howrah TAS.

Next door to the old 'Dilger's' Petrol Station

December 10th ~ 7.45am for an 8am breakfast gather.

Numbers to George required by 27th November please

"Social Events" Planner

Rotary Year 2026 of 2026 – 2027year

Team: Gayle; Anne; Karin & Lou

September ~ 17th ~ Bingo Night ~

October ~ 15th ~ "Hat Day" ~

Rotary Hat Day is an annual fundraising event held every October during Mental Health Month to support Australian Rotary Health. Participants wear exciting or eye-catching hats to raise awareness and funds for mental health research tackling illnesses like depression and anxiety. Go ahead and create!!

November~ 19th ~ Ten Pin Bowling????Moonah????

December ~ 10th ~ Christmas Breakfast @ "Atmosfire"

Christmas Dinner 19th December = "Beaches" Seven Mile Beach

PHF Award ~ PHF Awardees asked to wear your medals please