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Rotary PEOPLE OF ACTION

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People of Action In And For Our Community

3rd September 2026 – Club Assembly & Board Meeting (Training Room Upstairs)

Reg – Presentation on District newsletter & District directory

President's Wrap Up / Summary

Clarence City Council Citizenship Awards
George was acting as sergeant this week and after Anne had opened the meeting, congratulated Numan on the Clarence City Council Community Harmony Award, received last Tuesday night. While it was a whole of club effort, Numan had the idea and drove the event forward. Well done to all concerned.

Numan and Gayle reported back on the evening and noted their surprise at the win. Numan noted that the award is "not just an award for one event or one person; it is recognition of the work, spirit and values of our entire Rotary Club." Gayle spoke about the wonderful, positive interactions they had with people at the awards about the event, and about our club.

Bob was also recognised for being a finalist in the Senior Citizen Award for his ongoing and regular work at the Clarendon Vale Community Garden. He has worked collaboratively with staff from the school to develop a positive experience and excitement for the garden amongst the students. Congratulations, Bob!

Thank you, Gaylee!
It is always a little sad when a Club member resigns. Gaylee Chick joined the Club of Howrah in 2021 and although many new members haven't seen her at or Club functions, she has been busy behind the scenes, putting in time at the *Bookshop* and 'manning' the *Football Gate* ~ thank you for that but Gaylee has she can be called on in these roles when required. Thank you for your time with and we look forward to your future contribution. Longer-term members will miss appreciate your valuable membership.

Rotary meetings *Club* indicated us Gaylee you and

Board Meeting
Next week on 3rd of September is another board meeting. Anne explained that it is so close to the last one because the August meeting was postponed. After next week's meeting we will be back on track with meeting being a month apart.
If any members have any items they would like included in the agenda, please email Anne.
anne.reeves@decyp.tas.gov.au Anne can also be contacted on 0411 664 361

Guest Speaker Report: Graeme Clark, Ronald McDonald House Tasmania

Our guest speaker was Graeme Clark from Ronald McDonald House Tasmania.

Ronald McDonald House is located at 62 Collins Street, Hobart, and provides 11 rooms for families in need. Accommodation is offered free of charge to families who have a child, from birth to 18 years of age, receiving treatment at the Royal Hobart Hospital.

Many families return regularly while their child undergoes ongoing treatment, and some stays can be quite lengthy. Graeme shared that one family remained at the House for an entire year.

Volunteers play a vital role in the operation of Ronald McDonald House. As the facility is open 24 hours a day, volunteers assist with overnight shifts, cleaning, making beds, laundry, maintaining food supplies, and providing general support to residents. Some volunteers also prepare meals for the freezer, which families are welcome to use during their stay.

In addition to accommodation, Ronald McDonald House provides tutoring services for children staying at the House and offers online tutoring for patients for up to one year following their stay. The organisation also supports families in the Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) wards by providing snacks and toys.

Graeme advised that Ronald McDonald House will soon take possession of a vehicle that families will be able to use for local trips while staying at the House.

Our club may wish to consider supporting Ronald McDonald House through donations. Members interested in assisting in an individual capacity are encouraged to contact Graeme directly.

Directors' Reports

Sue (Projects) let members know that she has secured two bottles of gin from 7K Distillery at New Norfolk for the Christmas raffle. Well done, Sue.

Gayle (Treasurer) told members that the financial statements had been emailed after the last board meeting and if anyone has any questions to please reach out to Gayle. She also noted that club dues need to be paid by Monday 31 August.
Gayle also asked those in the bookshop to please put small denominations in the float and keep larger ones, such as $50 into the takings, if possible.

George (Events) confirmed that the bowling alley has been booked as there are enough to go ahead.

RYDA

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (though this acronym is no longer used, it helps best describe RYDA to new members). Thank you to those members who attended RYDA at Claremont College during the past week or so.

Support Rotary Youth - Invest in Tomorrow's Leaders

Through Rotary Youth programs, young people are given experiences that help them develop leadership, resilience, friendship and a stronger sense of community.

We support our local youth to participate in Winward Bound Experience, Youth Exchange, National Youth Science Program, RYPEN (Rotary Program of Enrichment) also, local schools and colleges to participate interstate and overseas in sporting events and RYDA, (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)

Fundraising is only part of our campaign. We also want to make sure our community understands who Rotary Youth supports, what opportunities are available and why investing in young people matters.

We will build awareness by:
Connecting with local schools and youth organisations to share information about Rotary Youth programs and opportunities.
Working with local businesses to encourage sponsorship, donations and community partnerships.
Using social media to share stories, achievements and positive experiences from young people involved in Rotary Youth.
Promoting Rotary Youth at community events and other local gatherings.
Sharing real stories and success stories that demonstrate the difference youth programs can make.
Linking people directly to information and donation opportunities through social media.
Encouraging local media coverage through community newspapers, radio and other media outlets.

Purchasing Rotary Club of Howrah Clothing

If members would like to purchase clothing with the Rotary Club of Howrah name they can do so through I.D. Clothing in Albert Road, Moonah. Members can go to the business and try on the items they would like; they can tell you what is available. Our club subsidises half the cost of the clothing.
The process is:

- Go and try the clothing on, decide what you would like
- I.D. Clothing will invoice Gayle, who will in turn invoice the member for half the cost.

Please see Gayle if you have any questions.

Raffle Winners

David T.'s ticket was drawn first, he chose the chocolates which he promptly gave to our guest speaker, Graeme. In another double, David's ticket was again drawn, he chose more chocolates which Ken made a quick dash up the stairs to collect for him.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Robyn, David Harrison, Mike & Sally.

DIARY OF EVENTS

DATE	Greeter/Chair	Registration	Duty Officers	Where	Content
Thursday 3rd September	Anne	Sue & Rob	George & Judy	Training Room (Upstairs)	Club Assembly & Board Meeting, Reg Presentation on District Newsletter & District Directory
Thursday 10th September	Anne	Numan & Karin	David H & Suzie	Marina Bar (Downstairs)	Guest Speakers: Lillian Joseph - Student United Nations

Thursday 17th September	Social Night	----------	----------	Training Room (Upstairs)	BINGO

Events for our Club ahead ~

***Sept 2** ~ Brekky @ South Arm School*

***September ~ 17th ~** Bingo Night ~ partners & friends*

***October ~ 15th ~** "Hat Day" ~ partners & friends*

***October ~** The Big Tassie Walk ~ more info to come*

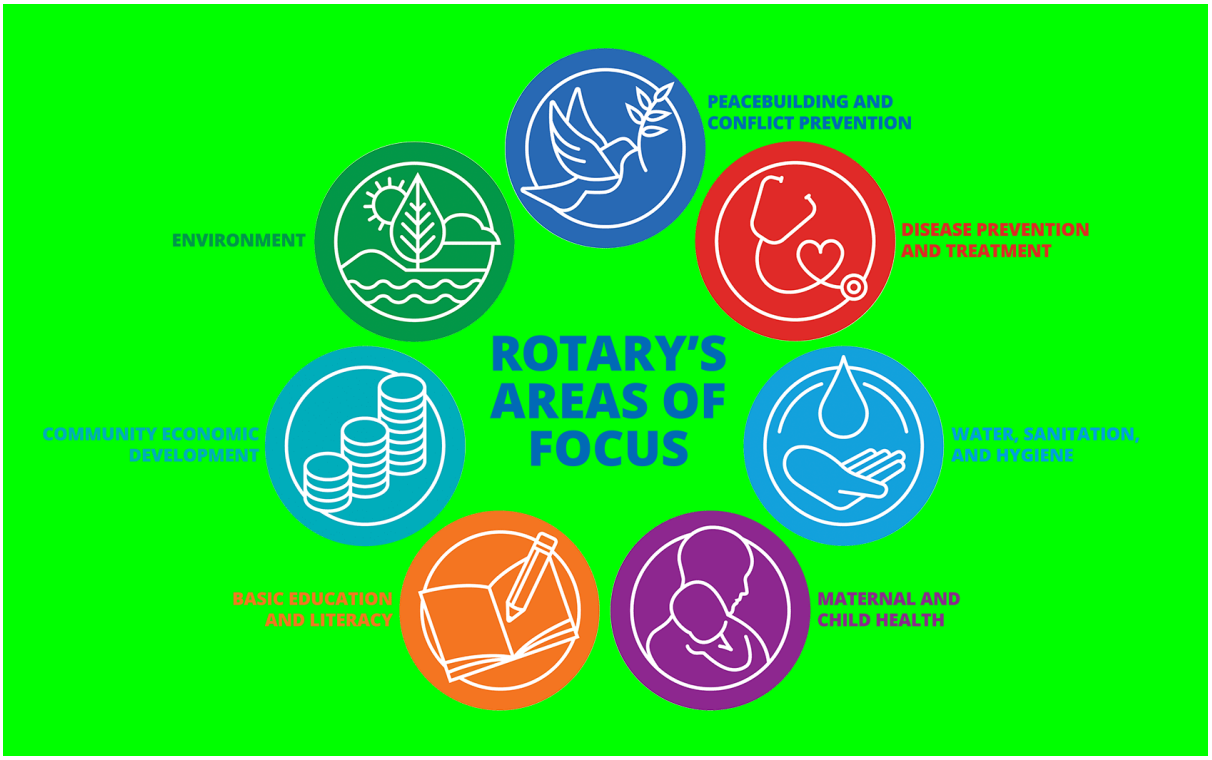
***November ~** "ROTARY KITE EVENT" ~ it's back on track!!!*

***November ~ 19th ~** Ten Pin Bowling ~ Moonah ~ booked but Nos to GJT by 5th Nov please*

Photos from CCC Awards Night

Photo of Guest Speaker – Graeme Clark

ROTARY'S AREAS OF FOCUS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PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION
DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT
WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ENVIRONMENT