



The Pelican News

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**ROTARY CLUB OF THE
ENTRANCE INC.**

**Chartered 26th April 1972
District 9685**

**RI President
Gordon McNally**

**District Governor
Christine Owen**



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (and 5th) at the Mingara Club at 6:00 for 6:30 Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday and social nights bi-monthly on the 4th.

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President's Year in Review

We began my year as President with a planning meeting to determine our focus for 2023-2024. The result was that our club would work with the Community for the benefit of the Community.

Well, in summary we raised and donated \$72,239.22 to a wide range of people and organisations in our community.

Some examples:

\$36,174 to some 30 Community groups through our Community Raffle.

\$8,645 to Aspect School to buy laptops for the students

\$6,009 to Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

\$2,500 to Central Coast Kids in Need

\$2,000 to Yarran Early Intervention

And smaller sums to 23 other groups

This makes no mention of several hundred 'beanies' to Shoebox Revolution, or food and goods to HOTS and other groups servicing the homeless. These don't involve money and do not appear in the accounts. We have also supported the local police in raising awareness of the Domestic Violence problem we have.

We are a small club having a huge impact on our Central Coast Community.

A concern I have is 'duty of care' for our members. Over a dinner at Julie's home, I asked our members why they were in Rotary.

Two reasons came to the fore.

Companionship with likeminded people

To benefit the community.

This year we have had a social event once a month as part of our normal program, and I also receive comments that our meetings and activities are enjoyable events.



Rotary



THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

- I. Is it the TRUTH?
- II. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- III. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- IV. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

We do work hard, BBQ's, Spin and Win, selling Christmas trees, managing the Community Raffle, and supporting special events like our theatre night.

I would also like to thank, and congratulate our Board who have pulled together brilliantly, and our non-board members who have supported them.

With regard to the coming year, I see no reason to dramatically change direction. We have found ways to support many excellent community groups, rather than trying to outdo their efforts, to support them in what they already do so well.

One major change afoot is Rotary modifying its approach through Regionalisation. We are now grouped with a number of other clubs in the 'Central Coast Area' under the leadership of Russell Groves. Russell is a longstanding member of Rotary and has held many management positions over the year and as soon as his appointment was confirmed, our club put a possible joint project to him. The goal was to buy 7 mattresses for Allawah House. This is a house that provides a place of safety to women who are victims of Domestic Violence. Russell picked up on the project and we have achieved our target with a number of the clubs in the region committing to make a contribution.

Our Club has already demonstrated their support for the region, and I am sure many projects too big for one club can now be addressed at a local level.

The other new potential area is for our club to work in support of a new emerging Rotaract Club.

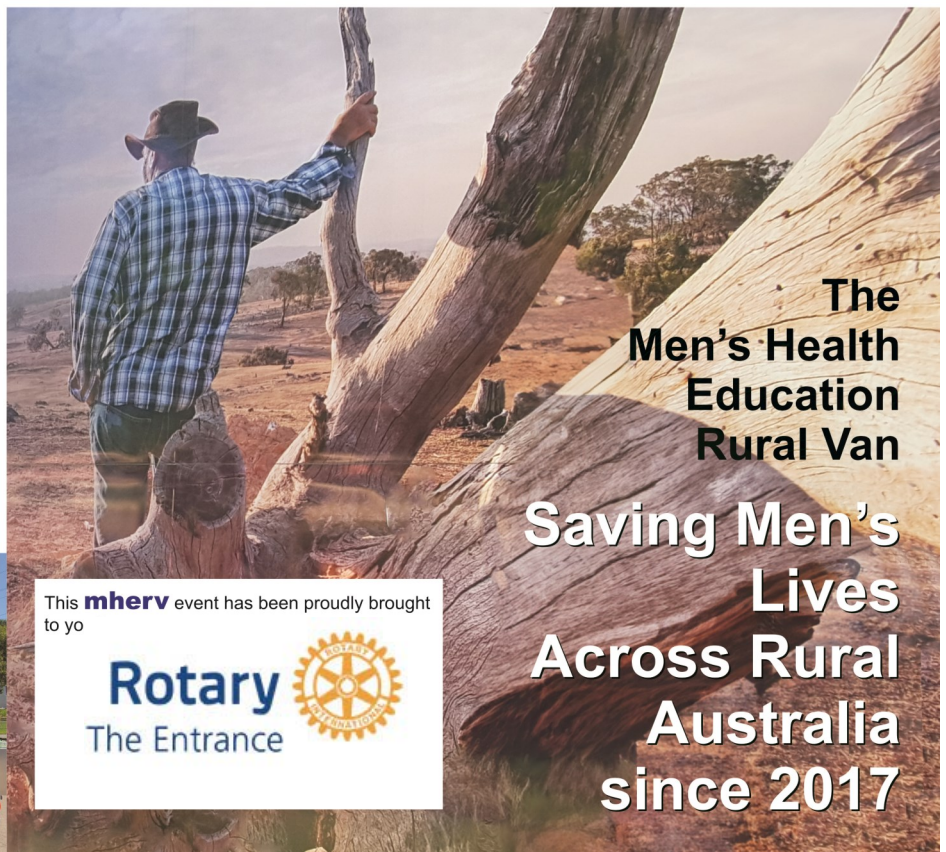


Gordon Crawford President 2023-24

Fundraising Bunnings Tuggerah 11th August



The **mherv** project is undertaken by Rotary clubs around NSW and with coordination by the Warners Bay club, is also generously supported by:



Changeover 2024

The Annual Changeover Dinner of the Rotary Club of The Entrance was held at Mingara on Tuesday 18th June 2024. This was a fun evening of celebration of a successful year just past, and thirty people attended, including DG Christine Owen, Mark Cooper and his wife Judy, and our very own member Emma McBride MP. We also thank Jane Mote and Lillias Bovell of Rotary Brisbane Water for their attendance.

MC for the night was PDG Peter Ward, DG Christine gave the Toast to Rotary International, and the Objects of Rotary were presented by Louise Paul.



Special donations were presented to Central Coast Kids in Need, Yarran Early Intervention Services and The Benevolent Society by Treasurer Julie Glover. Julie told those present that between year end giving and donations made throughout the year, the club has distributed over \$72,000 to our local community and projects overseas.



CC Kids in Need surprised the club by making their own presentation to us! Between our annual donations and the money returned to them for sales of tickets in our Community Raffle, over the last four years the club has given them over \$18,000 – which does not include that share of profits made from Bunnings BBQs where we give them a pro rata amount for the hours their volunteers have supported us selling



sausage sandwiches. The award was presented to Clive Denmark, and makes Rotary The Entrance an official Community Ambassador of Central Coast Kids in Need.



The Yarran perpetual trophy for Social Justice was presented to Julie Glover by Naomi Martin from Yarran Early Intervention Services, and the Zammit Community Service Award was presented to PDG Peter Ward by President Gordon.

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Changeover continued



The most special award of the evening was the presentation of a Paul Harris Fellowship to Don Cannings. Don is well known in the community as the organiser of the Spin and Win, held twice monthly in Bateau Bay Square, and our club liaison person with the Health on The Streets team run by Coast and Country Primary Care. Don has been

Vocational Director over the past few years, during which time we have held two Community and Vocational Awards Nights in conjunction with Erina Rotary Club, and was also one of the driving forces behind the popular Bunny Hunt. Also a regular at Bunnings BBQs and the Christmas Trees – you just have to turn around at anything and you will bump into Don. A most well deserved award Don!

President Gordon Crawford is staying on as President for the coming year, but nevertheless partner Sue Kemp was presented with flowers for giving him her support over the past year. No doubt she'll be looking for something more for backing up two years in a row!

Gordon spoke of most of the projects we have had over the last twelve months, but made special mention of the Beanie project, as it is often overlooked because there is no monetary value associated to this which prompts a mention. Since the pandemic, when we heard from Shoebox Revolution over a zoom meeting, when it was cold and they were very short of beanies to distribute to the homeless, Gordon and Sue realised that there were potentially many knitters locked down in their village. They took up a collection for unused wool, found a pattern and encouraged people to knit beanies. The ladies were happy to have something to do which was useful, and Shoebox Revolution was delighted to have some seriously warm beanies to hand out. This project continues to this day, and over 1000 beanies have been knitted by the ladies of Tarragul Glen for the homeless.



Gordon then introduced his new Board for 2024-25, and presented them with their theme pins.

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| President | Gordon Crawford |
| Vice President | John Bennett |
| Secretary | Greg Maloney |
| Treasurer | Julie Glover |
| Community Service | Clive Denmark |
| Vocational Service | Anthea Dean (absent) |
| Membership | Don Cannings |
| International | David Waterhouse |
| & Administration | |
| Youth | vacant |
| Foundation | Clive Denmark |





To all the members of the RC of the Entrance,

I hope this finds you all well.

I would like to thank you all for again supporting our club's RAWCS project – Timor Learning Centre (Sentru Formasaun ba Juventude).

We really appreciate the generous donation and thank you for all you do with all your projects.

Kind regards,

Libby Bleakley

Rotary Club of Blackheath

District 9685 Australia

Founder/Director

Sentru Formasaun Ba Juventude

Timor Learning Centre

MARS
Food

Better food today
A better world
tomorrow

The young woman who submitted the tech support message below (about her relationship with her husband) presumably did it as a joke. Then she got a reply that was way too good to keep to herself. The tech support people's love advice was hilarious.

The query:

Dear Tech Support,

"Last year I upgraded from Boyfriend 5.0 to Husband 1.0 and noticed a distinct slowdown in overall system performance, particularly in the flower and jewelry applications, which operated flawlessly under Boyfriend 5.0.

In addition, Husband 1.0 uninstalled many other valuable programs, such as Romance 9.5 and Personal Attention 6.5, and then installed undesirable programs such as NBA 5.0, NFL 3.0, and Golf Clubs 4.1. Conversation 8.0 no longer runs, and House cleaning 2.6 simply crashes the system. Please note that I have tried running Nagging 5.3 to fix these problems but to no avail. What can I do?

Signed: Desperate

Dear Desperate,

First, keep in mind, Boyfriend 5.0 is an Entertainment Package, while Husband 1.0 is an Operating System. Please enter the command: I thought you loved me.html and try to download Tears 6.2. Do not forget to install the Guilt 3.0 update. If that application works as designed, Husband 1.0 should then automatically run the applications Jewelry 2.0 and Flowers 3.5.

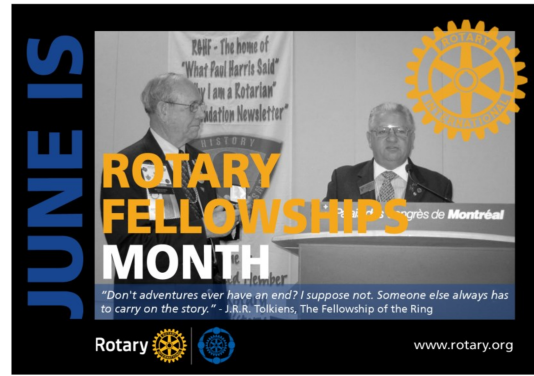
However, remember, overuse of the Tears application can cause Husband 1.0 to default to Grumpy Silence 2.5, Happy Hour 7.0, or Beer 6.1. Please note that Beer 6.1 is a very bad program that will download the Snoring Loudly Beta version.

Whatever you do, DO NOT, under any circumstances, install Mother-In-Law 1.0 as it runs a virus in the background that will eventually seize control of all your system resources. In addition, please do not attempt to re-install the Boyfriend 5.0 program. These are unsupported applications and will crash Husband 1.0.

In summary, Husband 1.0 is a great program, but it does have limited memory and cannot learn new applications quickly. You might consider buying additional software to improve memory and performance. We recommend Cooking 3.0.

Good Luck

Tech Support



Dear Peter and All at Rotary Club of The Entrance,

Thank you for your generous donation to The School of St Jude through our 2024 Annual Appeal.

We are happy to confirm receipt of AU\$1,000.00 on 14th of June 2024 by direct deposit. Your donation fuels change, supporting students to embark on a path to success through Access, Opportunity, and Freedom through free, quality education.

Our Donor Relations team will contact you soon with more information about how your donation will be used to fuel change at St Jude's.

If you have any comments or questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at accounts@schoolofstjude.co.nz or reply to this email. Alternatively, you can speak to David Collins on **+61 0412 604 042** who is located in Victoria, Australia.

Kindest regards,

Mariam Muriro

St Jude's Accounts team.



Reminder, our "3R's" apply to any form of abuse to women, men, children and our elderly:

1. **Recognise** signs of abuse
2. **Raise** your concerns "safely"
3. **Refer** victim to one of the many family violence agencies OR Make the call yourself!



Upcoming Program:


July

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|------|----------|----------------|------------|
| 2nd | Tuesday | Club Assembly | Mingara |
| 6th | Saturday | Spin and Win | Bateau Bay |
| 9th | Tuesday | Board Meeting | Zoom |
| 16th | Tuesday | Social night | ??? |
| 20th | Saturday | Spin and Win | Bateau Bay |
| 23rd | Tuesday | Member Speaker | Mingara |
| 30th | Tuesday | ??? | |

This program will be reviewed over the coming weeks, and will be presented in full next month.

Thank you David and Dianne for all the work you did in co-ordinating the Changeover Dinner.



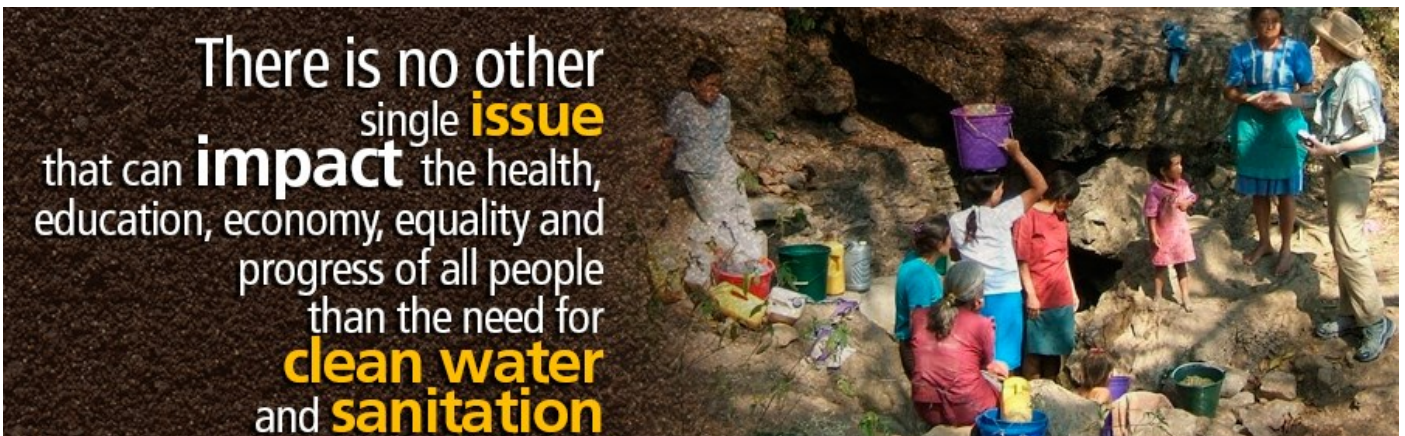


In June:

Clive 16th

Peter 21st

Robin 22nd





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A better world
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