

ROTARY CLUB OF NORTH HOBART 2015 – 2016

It is hard to believe that my year as president has come and gone so quickly.

I began the year with trepidation and finish with a sense of pleasure and admiration at the good work the club has done in the past 12 months.

On the tables are a summary from my directors of the year that was, and so I won't labour on all of the highlights from the year.

In the past 12 months our club has allocated (either directly or indirectly) over \$15700 in assistance to local/national and international causes. We have worked tirelessly to raise these funds and we should all be very proud of our efforts.

I would like to make a few special mentions and thank a few people.

As you would be aware this year has seen the start of our community market at Turnbells.

A huge thank you to Derek and Hellen and their committee for embarking on this venture. We are starting to see the fruits of their labour and the future (for the many organisations that we support) appears brighter as a result. A big thank you also to Scott Turnbull for allowing us to use his facilities to run the market.

Thank you to my directors and office bearers for supporting me over the past year. Special thanks to Secretary Heather (for being both secretary and newsletter editor) and Treasurer Howie for their tireless work behind the scenes. And of course to sergeant Liz for fining us all so regularly.

I would also like to thank Ian Barton for the work he has done to bring our website into the 21st century and for agreeing to take over the newsletter for the coming year.

Finally I would like to congratulate incoming president Liz and her directors for volunteering their services for the coming year. I wish them all the best and know that club members will support them in the same manner that they have supported me.

Thank You

Tony Moore

President North Hobart Rotary

2015 – 2016

Community Services Report 7/6/16

1. We participated in the National Rotary Bowel Scan Program. Four pharmacies in our area sold a total of 29 Bowel scan kits for the month of May.
2. We donated \$1,000 to the Hobart Women's Shelter to provide bed linen and kitchenware for women after their stay at the shelter.
3. Caroline House has been setting up 2 units to be a transition house for larger families leaving the Hobart Womens' Shelter and Jireh House. We have assisted them to furnish and fit out the 2nd unit and are providing an antenna for the tvs in both units.
4. We decided to donate \$500 to Rural Alive and Well to assist in their counselling program for people suffering depression.
5. Following on from last year we donated \$500 to the Bears of Hope pregnancy and infant loss support group. This will help fund their Pregnancy and infant loss day in Hobart on October 15th.
6. We have had ongoing discussions with the Hobart City Council about the historical plaque for Condell Place. The council assures me it will be done in the early part of the 2016/17 financial year.
7. We donated \$250 to Colony 47 as part of the combined Group 2 Presidents' Community Program.
8. We have supported Second Bite and Common Ground with picking up surplus bread and pastry items from Daci & Daci Bakery on Wednesday and Friday nights.

Thank you to all the community service members for a great team effort.

Report - Vocation Committee

Director: Rex Kerrison
Members: Elizabeth Barisic
David Clinch
Ian Geard

Throughout the 2015-16 year the Vocation Committee, Rotary Club of North Hobart, oversaw the following programs.

RYPEN -South May, 2016

The Club sponsored two (2) to attend the RYPEN camp event.
Sponsored amount: \$110 x 2 = **\$220**

MUNA May, 2016

The Club sponsored two teams of Grade 10 students (2 students / team) to attend the MUNA event in Deloraine.
The teams were from The Friends School and St Mary's College.
Students Teagan Lee & Vivienne Scoot from St Mary's College represented Egypt.
Kaelyn Girao & Sigourney Costa from The Friends School represented Phillipines
Sponsored amount: \$240 x2 = **\$480**

NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM Jan, 2016

The Club sponsored student Faerlie Marsh (Burton) from Elizabeth College to attend the Science Forum in Canberra.
Faerlie visited the Club twice, first to introduce herself, and on the second occasion reported to members of her experiences in Canberra.

(For the record: her teacher at Elizabeth College was Debra Beswich.)
Sponsored amount: **\$2000** of the \$2950 required.

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ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP CHALLENGE Jan, 2016

The club sponsored student Alexandra Smitl who acted as a mentor to refugees in the *Windeward Bound* sailing experience.

Alexandra (Ali) spoke and also wrote to the Club of her experiences as a mentor.

Sponsored amount. **\$500** of the \$1500 required.

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM 2016-17

The Club has decided to sponsor student Amelia Bentley from the Friends School who will take part in the Exchange Program during 2017.

Amelia lives in North Hobart and has visited the Club with her parents. She spoke briefly by way of introducing herself.

Sponsored amount: to be arranged / decided.

Under the Vocation Committee banner, the Club also donated to **the Colony 47 / Salamanca Rotary Club " Get on the Road"** program of driving instruction.

Sponsored amount: **\$250**

Total donated to date: *

\$ 220

\$ 480

\$2000

\$ 500

\$ 250

Total \$3450

(to be added: Rotary Youth Exchange program - \$..to be decided)

Other matters:

Despite writing to local schools and Colleges alerting them to the **Rotary Adventures in Leadership**, program which occurred during the Budget session in Canberra, no applications for sponsorship were made to the Club.

In hand is information on the next National Youth Science Forum (Jan 2017 - Canberra) and information on the Coco Phillips Science Experience Jan 2017 - Hobart, UTAS.)

Appeals rejected or not acted upon.

A number of letters were received seeking donations of sponsorships.

Not acted upon were:

Overview White Lions: the Club's international Service
Committee RYLA
2015-2016 Southern Students Leadership Conference
A sporting club.

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Recommendation: • Development of Young Alumni;

It is recommended that the Club develop a young alumni group.

During the year very impressive young students have been sponsored by the Club. They have been very grateful for the support the Club has offered and expressed desire to help where possible.

The contact details of Alexandra Smith and Faerlie Marsh (or Burton), as she is also known, are as below.

Alexandra (Aii) Smith: alexandra_smith16@student.friends.tas.edu.au

Faerlie Burton: faerlie.burton@hotmail.com

Rex Kerrison

Director.

Overview of activities: the Club's International Service Committee 2015-2016

The Club's International Service Committee functions to identify and support specific projects in developing countries. With a specific budget, most projects are identified based on historical funding and requests by Club members. Importantly, the Committee's planning is guided by Rotary International's six areas of focus, these are: promoting peace; fighting disease; providing clean water; saving mothers and children; supporting education; and growing local economies. More information on these focus areas can be found on this site <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/about-rotary/areas-focus>.

Funding made this Rotary year:

1. \$465.36 - to North Korea stores initiated by Club member and PRID Dr. John Thorne. Here is an informative site for more information <http://www.koreanfriendshipnetwork.org/clean-cookstoves/>
2. \$700 - Bethlehem Community Centre (BCC), Nairobi, Kenya - is a faith-based organization that supports orphanages, and children, women and families living in poverty <http://www.bccafrika.org/>
3. \$600 - Hamlin Fistula Ethiopia - <http://hamlin.org.au/> - this donation is for fistula repair surgery for one woman. In previous years, the Club has supported this organisation.
4. \$1,000 - Disaster Aid Australia (DAA) for the provision of a shelter/tent that DAA distributes to countries experiencing disasters. For more on DAA see <http://disasteraidaustralia.org.au/> (**Club donation in place of Shelter boxes**)
5. \$500 - Food plant solutions - see site <http://www.rotary9830.org.au/district-info/international/learn-grow/>
6. \$100 - Global Literacy Rotarian Action Group (litRAG) - this donation is to support Dr. John Thorne in his impending work with litRAG. John has been asked to join litRAG, to revitalise the RAG that has not been active since 2014.

7. \$1,000 - Fiji Disaster Appeal - RAWCS Project Number 46 2015–16. As noted in Rotary Down Under magazine, Rotary Tasmania has supported Fiji since 1985 when they began to build cyclone-proof Rotary homes following cyclones Eric and Nigel (Pretorius, 2016). As a result of cyclone Winston in early 2016, this RAWCS was established for recovery efforts in affected areas in Fiji. For more information, visit:
<http://www.rotary9830.org.au/> (Club donation)
8. \$1,000 - Kumudini Hospital, Bangladesh RAWCS - for support of work at the Hospital by Dr. Jenny Kerrison and volunteers

Total funding under this committee: \$5,363.36 (\$2,000 is a Club donation)

Club Service Report 2015 – 2016

Of necessity this will be a brief report because many of the items that were planned through Club Service did not eventuate. eg

- Speaker on meeting procedure
- Fireside meetings
- Sandy Bay Rotaract joint meeting
- Visits to outside organisations

The main item that did eventuate was the Sunday Market. I was able to persuade Scott Turnbull to make his carpark available. Eventually it will be an excellent site to run the market – no small amount of thanks to Derek and Hellen for their dedication.

Here again because of the generosity of Scott Turnbull we have been able to consolidate all our Rotary gear to one location. Some more sorting out required, but ok.

President Tony and I did attend a joint Rotary meeting at Cressy early in the year and gained some valuable information.

Club Service Director
Rex Maddock