



## **THE ROTARY CLUB OF DELORAINE INC.**

**Chartered 5<sup>th</sup> March, 1957**

**Assembly: Tuesday 6.15 for 6.30p.m.**

**Rotary Function Centre**

**(Postal Address & Phone Number: P.O. Box 85, Deloraine 7304 / 6362 2325)**

## **WEEKLY BULLETIN**

**District Governor Craig Perkins**

**Rotary Community Leader (North) - Alan Harris**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2025-26**

<b>President .....</b>	<b>Greg Burgess</b>
<b>Immediate Past President .....</b>	<b>Andrew Dare</b>
<b>President Elect .....</b>	<b>Merrilyn Young</b>
<b>Club Service .....</b>	<b>Paul Bowman</b>
<b>Secretary .....</b>	<b>Annette Viney</b>
<b>Treasurer .....</b>	<b>Michael Plunkett</b>
<b>Vocational Service .....</b>	<b>Stephanie Johnston</b>
<b>Youth Service .....</b>	<b>Michael Swannell</b>
<b>Community Service .....</b>	<b>Merrilyn Young</b>
<b>International Service .....</b>	<b>Anthea Davey-Griffin</b>
<b>Membership &amp; PR .....</b>	<b>Andrew Dare</b>
<b>Tasmanian Craft Fair .....</b>	<b>Michael Plunkett</b>

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## ROTARY CLUB OF DELORAINE INC.

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	<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Chairman:</b>	Ann Axelsen	Anthea Davey-Griffin
<b>Toast:</b>	Andrew Dare	Steen Andersen
<b>Sergeant:</b>	Andrew Johnston	Tony Wadley
<b>Corporal:</b>	Gayle Plunkett	Bev Ritchie
<b>Heads &amp; Tails:</b>	Peter Griffin	Tim Biggs
<b>President's Table</b>	Merrilyn Young	Roy Axelsen
	Andrew Bartlett	Don Collins
<b>Caterers:</b>	Jo Woolley	Meander Progress Assoc.
<b>Venue Set-Up:</b>	PR & Membership	Club Service & TCF
<b>Attendance:</b>	Andrew Dare	Michael Plunkett
<i>assisted by</i>	<i>Andrew Bartlett</i>	<i>Michael Bennett</i>
<b>Guest Speaker:</b>	Michael Plunkett	Liz Walker

### **AUGUST**

**Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>**

Dinner Meeting at the Rotary Function Centre

Michael Plunkett—TCF Updates

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup>**

Breakfast at Deloraine Deli (8.00am)

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Invitation to meet at Rotary Function Centre to meet the (Australian) Tasmanian of the Year and Local Hero (7.00 for 7.15am)

**No Dinner Meeting**

**Board Meeting (7.00pm)** - Bendigo Bank Meeting Room

### **ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Rotarians please note that for weekly meetings you will be automatically booked in. If you are unable to attend, please advise

**PP Ann Axelsen by 12.00 noon each Monday / Phone 041 111 6480**

To enable correct numbers to be given to the Caterers, it is important that Rotarians adhere to this. Please also advise if you are bringing guests.

**Rotarians please remember to advise PP Ann if you have any dietary requirements.**

### **Bulletin Information**

Information for Weekly Bulletins is sought from **ALL Rotarians**. Information should be emailed or given to PP Ann Axelsen — ***aaxelsen@live.com.au*** Information should be submitted by **Sunday**.



Next Committee Meeting will be held on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 5.30pm at the Bendigo Bank Community Meeting Room

## BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP AT THE DELORAINE DELI

We will continue to hold Breakfast Fellowship Meetings at the Deloraine Deli in 2025, meeting from 8.00am

This is a great time to enjoy the company of each other in a social atmosphere. Please note that all are invited to this gathering (Honorary Members, Partners, friends, PHFs) you just need to make sure that you advise Ann of your attendance by the Friday prior.

Breakfast dates are:-

August	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>
September	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>
October	Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>
November	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>



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**AUGUST DESIGNATION IS**

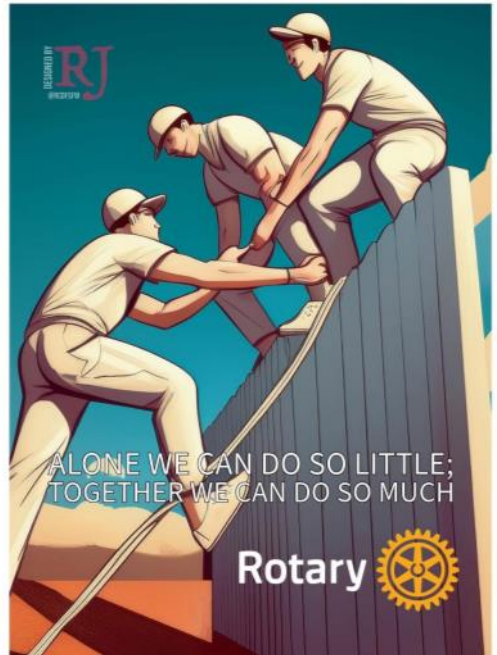


**MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

*"The things that are worthwhile take time, and it is not the I's of the world but the We's who achieve them."*  
Past RI President H.J. Brunner 1952-53

**TAKE ACTION: Join Rotary, Get Involved**

**Rotary** 



**Rotarians Make the World Better,  
One Community at a Time.**

**Rotary** 

## **IDEAS / PLANS FOR THE ROTARY CLUB OF DELORAINE 2025/2026**

At the beginning of this Rotary year, Committees met to make plans for the forthcoming year. Here is what Committees are considering . . . . .

### **Vocational Service**

Plan to support Tas Training Awards (TASTA) in 2026 (subject to available funds);

To offer Tertiary Scholarship—Uni or TAFE;

Actively look for Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) applicants

### **Youth Service**

Host Exchange Student from France, with the expected arrival in June. Initial hosts will be Gayle and Michael Pluknett.

### **Community Service**

Auspecting of Stooie Pole Project, in Main Street;

Plan to assist Wild Wood Landcare Group with funding;

Plan to assist Deloraine and Meander Houses;

Possibly assist elderly in community (eg Working Bees)

### **International Service**

Planned International Dinner for Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2026;

Overseeing of Pasifika Festival;

KIVA Loans—in developing Countries;

Consideration to Shelterbox and Water Hydrants

### **PR & Membership**

Plans for guest speaker re “Hop to Harvest” Festival, especially in relation as to how we can help each other



## INFORMATION FROM DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

### SOME KEY THEMES DG CRAIG IS ENCOURAGING CLUBS TO FOCUS ON:

- Set *ambitious* membership growth targets—and think outside the box to achieve them.
- Deepen engagement with youth programs, and explore how we build lasting relationships to encourage young people to become future Rotary leaders.
- Actively support Rotary's multi-district organisations and partners (e.g. *The Rotary Foundation, ROMAC, Interplast, Australian Rotary Health*)—even modest contributions can make a big impact.
- Use the *Rotary Action Plan* to reflect on your club's Impact, Reach, Engagement, and Adaptation.

### MEMBERSHIP TASK FORCE

Our membership has declined by over 30% in just over a decade—it's time to turn that around. I'm establishing a dedicated Membership Task force to re imagine how we grow and energise Rotary in Tasmania. From flexible club models to practical tools, we'll empower clubs to thrive. More members mean lighter workloads, stronger clubs, and greater community impact. Together, we can rediscover the joy of Rotary—energised meetings, renewed purpose, and meaningful connections. This Task force will support both new and established clubs, and I'll soon be calling on Rotarians ready to shape the future. If that's you, let's do this—together.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING and WHEN??

(Please note details are subject to change)

### AUGUST

- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>** Dinner Meeting at Rotary Function Centre  
Michael Plunkett—Craft Fair Update
- Monday 11<sup>th</sup>** Breakfast at Deloraine Deli (8.00am)
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>** Conversations with (Australian) Tasmanian of the Year at  
Function Centre—7.00 for 7.15am  
No Dinner Meeting  
Board Meeting 7.00pm at Bendigo Bank Meeting Room
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>** TCF Meeting—5.30pm at Bendigo Bank Meeting Room
- Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>** Dinner Meeting at Rotary Function Centre  
Liz Walker—*"Stoobie Pole Project"*
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>** Dinner Meeting at British Hotel

### SEPTEMBER

- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>** Dinner Meeting at Rotary Function Centee
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup>** Breakfast at Deloraine Deli (8.00am)
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>** No Dinner Meeting  
Board Meeting 7.00pm at Bendigo Meeting Room
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>** Dinner Meeting at Rotary Function Centre
- Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Dinner Meeting at Rotary Function Centre

### OCTOBER

- Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Rotary Family Weekend at Orford
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup>** Tasmanian Craft Fair starts

### NOVEMBER

- Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Tasmanian Craft Fair

### FEBRUARY 2026

- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>** Meeting transferred to Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> (International Dinner)
- Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>** International Fundraiser Dinner at the Function Centre

### MARCH

- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Combined District 9815 and 9830 District Conference

## TASMANIAN AUSTRALIAN OF THE YEAR AND LOCAL HERO

An opportunity to meet and hear from the Tasmanian Australian of the year Sam Elsom and Tasmanian Local Hero Keren Franks.

Sam and Keren will be at the Rotary Function Centre on the morning of Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August (7.00am for a 7.15am start)

## Free community event in Deloraine Conversations with Australians Making a Difference

An inspiring morning of stories, insights and conversation. Hear how these remarkable individuals are creating positive change in their communities and beyond.

*The morning will feature:*

**Sam Elsom, 2025 TAS Australian of the Year**

Founder of Sea Forest. Environmental innovator working to combat climate change by reducing methane emissions in agriculture.

**Keren Franks, 2025 TAS Local Hero**

Founder of Young Leaders of Tasmania, creating life-changing programs for young people across the state.

Date: Tuesday 12 August 2025

Time: Arrive at 7:00am for 7:15am start, finishing at 8:30am

Venue: Rotary Function Centre, Deloraine



Australian  
of the Year  
➤ Awards  
Reflect. Respect. Celebrate.



### The lighter side...

**Teacher:** Clyde, your composition on “My Dog” is exactly the same as your brother’s. Did you copy his?

**Clyde:** No, Sir, It’s the same dog.

**Teacher:** Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?

**Harold:** A teacher.

## ROTARY CATERING INFORMATION

### SET UP — PR & MEMBERSHIP

TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

#### For Rotary:

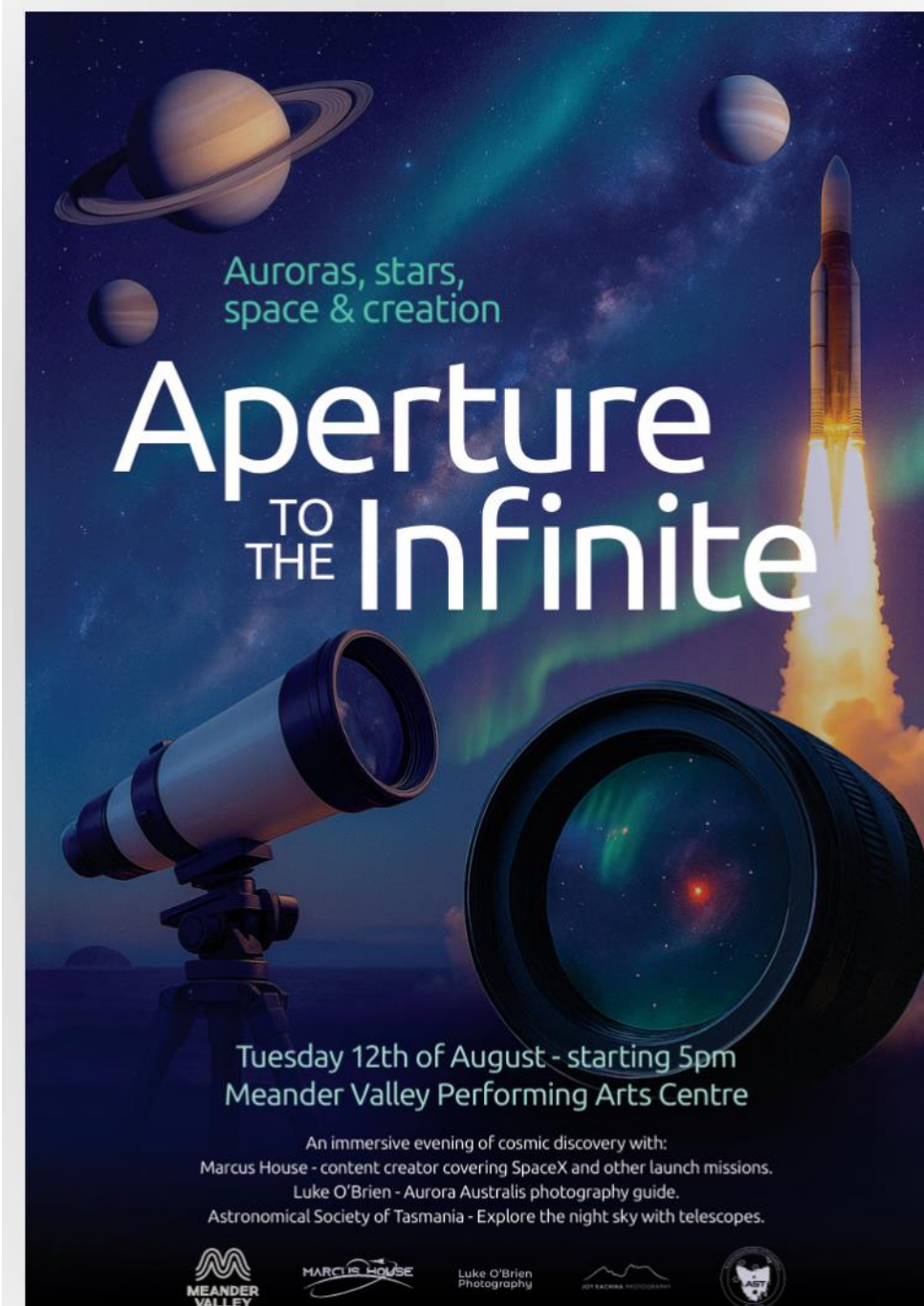
1. Directorate nominated on Roster is responsible for set up and pack up. If not available please arrange own change.
2. **Set-Up**
  - a) Obtain code from Ann — 041 111 6480
  - b) Tables into correct position and to set tables with Cutlery, Rotary Placemats, Salt, Pepper, Serviettes, Water Carafes  
(Note—tablecloths to be used only for 'special' occasions)
  - c) To ensure that glasses are placed on side table with drinks.  
Note: Only one bottle of red and one bottle of white to be opened at beginning of night, if more are required these are held at the President's table.
  - d) To place on table with 2 kettles—mugs, spoons, tea, coffee etc.  
Ensure kettles are filled, power point on, and set kettles to boil
  - e) Heaters on (as required)
  - f) Set up PA System
  - g) Assist with Attendance (check Weekly Duties list)
3. **Pack-Up** (assistance from all Rotarians appreciated)
  - a) Everything off tables and back to kitchen
  - b) At the end of the night all opened bottles of wine should be removed from the Function Centre
  - c) Pack up PA system
  - d) When tablecloths are used, to take home and wash
  - e) Tables and chairs—put away
  - f) Check toilets
  - g) Lights off, lock up and keys back in box.

**Caterers: Jo Woolley**

**Set Up:** This is on a rotational basis:

Club Service & TCF Committees	19 <sup>th</sup> August
Youth Service	26 <sup>th</sup> August
Community Service	2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Vocational Service	16 <sup>th</sup> September
International Service	23 <sup>rd</sup> September
PR & Membership	7 <sup>th</sup> October





Auroras, stars,  
space & creation

# Aperture TO THE Infinite

Tuesday 12th of August - starting 5pm  
Meander Valley Performing Arts Centre

An immersive evening of cosmic discovery with:  
Marcus House - content creator covering SpaceX and other launch missions.  
Luke O'Brien - Aurora Australis photography guide.  
Astronomical Society of Tasmania - Explore the night sky with telescopes.



Luke O'Brien  
Photography



## Generic Email Addresses

### Club Officers:

President: president.deloraine@rotary9830.org.au

Secretary: secretary.deloraine@rotary9830.org.au

Treasurer: treasurer.deloraine@rotary9830.org.au



### Craft Fair:-

Director: director@tascraftfair.com.au

Secretary: secretary@tascraftfair.com.au

Treasurer: treasurer@tascraftfair.com.au



### Websites

[www.rotaryclubofdeloraine.org.au](http://www.rotaryclubofdeloraine.org.au)

[www.rotaryclubofdeloraine.org.au/rotary-function-centre](http://www.rotaryclubofdeloraine.org.au/rotary-function-centre)

[www.tascraftfair.com.au](http://www.tascraftfair.com.au)

### Social Media



<https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubofDeloraine/>

<https://www.facebook.com/tascraftfair>



[https://www.instagram.com/deloraine\\_rotary/](https://www.instagram.com/deloraine_rotary/)



District Website  
MY Rotary

[www.rotary9830.org.au](http://www.rotary9830.org.au)  
<https://my.rotary.org/>

### Rotary Officers:

**R.I. President:**

Francesco Arezzo

**District Governor (9830)**

Craig Perkins

**Rotary Community Leader (North)**

Alan Harris

## DISTRICT 9830 CLUBS IN THE NORTHERN REGION

### Monday:

Central Launceston	Launceston Grand Chancellor	12.45 for 1.00pm
Launceston West	The Boathouse on Northbank 55a Lindsay St	5.30 for 6.00pm
West Tamar	The Exeter Community Club	6.00 for 6.15pm

### Tuesday:

Deloraine	Rotary Function Centre	6.15 for 6.30pm
Scottsdale	Anabel's Restaurant	6.00 for 6.30pm

### Wednesday:

Georgetown	The Bass and Flinders Centre <i>(not 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of month)</i>	6.45 for 7.00pm
Kings Meadows	Launeston Golf Club <i>(1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)</i>	5.45 for 6.15pm
Launceston	Hotel Grand Chancellor, Cameron St	6.00 for 6.15pm
Tamar Sunrise	The Florence Café 49 Brisbane Street	7.00 for 7.15am
Westbury	Westbury RSL Club	6.45 for 7.00pm

### Thursday:

Longford	Longford RSL Club, Wellington St	6.30 for 7.00pm
South Launceston	Launceston Grand Chancellor	5.45 for 6.15pm

Rotary Club of Legana

Meetings are held online. Form more details visit their Facebook

Clubs in other Regions are listed at

<http://www.rotary9830.org.au/administration/club-meetings/>

**100 YEARS**  
**STRONG**

## COMMITTEES

**CLUB SERVICE: Paul Bowman**  
**Public Officer - Steen Andersen**

### Apologies

Ann Axelsen  
041 111 6480

### Bulletin

Ann Axelsen  
Gayle Plunkett

### Club Night Set Up

Committees on a Roster basis

### Heads & Tails

Peter Griffin  
Tim Biggs

### Club History

Bev Ritchie  
Maree Matanle

### Sergeant

Andrew Johnston  
Tony Wadley

### Programme

Andrew Dare  
Peter Griffin  
Rob van der Elst

### Photographer

Marc Smith

### Family of Rotary

Ann Axelsen

### Fellowship

John Tabor

**Rotary Function Centre**  
**Andrew Dare (Chairman)**

Michael Plunkett

### Club Property

Lois Catchlove

### Rotary Information

Paul Bowman

### Club Protection Officer

Michael Plunkett

### Webmaster

Greg Burgess

### Rotary Function Centre Caretaker

Ann Axelsen (041 111 6480)

## VOCATIONAL SERVICE

### Director:

**Stephanie Johnston**

Andrew Johnston  
Bev Ritchie  
John Tabor  
Andrew Bartlett  
Peter Griffin  
Steen Andersen

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

### Director:

**Merrilyn Young**

Rob van der Elst  
Tony Wadley  
Don Collins  
B.Lee Cervantes  
Paul Bowman

## TASMANIAN CRAFT FAIR

### Director: **Michael Plunkett**

Treasurer: Tim Biggs  
Secretary: Ann Axelsen

Lois Catchlove  
Annette Viney

## INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

### Director:

**Anthea Davey-Griffin**

Ann Axelsen  
Tim Biggs  
Maree Matanle  
Michael Plunkett  
Gayle Plunkett  
Roy Axelsen

## YOUTH SERVICE

### Director:

**Michael Swannell**

Lois Catchlove  
Michael Bennett  
Andrew Dare  
Marc Smith

## MEMBERSHIP & PR

### Director:

**Andrew Dare**

Peter Griffin

**MUNA & RYDA**

**Annette Viney**

### Rotary Pratt Foundation

Andrew Johnston (Chairman), Annette Viney (Secretary),  
Tim Biggs (Treasurer), Barb Harvey, Kim Burgess