



ANNUAL REPORT 2022 – 2023

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PAST PRESIDENTS

YEAR	PRESIDENT	ROTARY THEME
2022/2023	Amanda Hill	Imagine Rotary
2021/2022	Peter Read	Serve to Change Lives
2020/2021	Amanda Hill	Rotary Opens Opportunities
2019/2020	Stuart Le Gros	Rotary Connects the World
2018/2019	Stuart Le Gros	Be the Inspiration
2017/2018	Liz Ware & Jenny Fox	Rotary Making a Difference
2016/2017	Helen Wragg	Rotary Serving Humanity
2015/2016	Kylie McMillan	Be a Gift to the World
2014/2015	John Basarin	Light Up Rotary
2013/2014	Lance Blackley	Engage Rotary Change Lives
2012/2013	Richard Garner	Peace Through Service
2011/2012	Liz Ware	Reach Within to Embrace Humanity
2010/2011	Jennifer Newton	Building Communities - Bridging Continents
2009/2010	Phil Heath	The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands
2008/2009	Marie Arendsen	Make Dreams Real
2007/2008	Lorraine Huddle	Rotary Shares
2006/2007	Kim Visek-Johnson	Lead the Way
2005/2006	Beverlea Blackley	Service Above Self
2004/2005	Jenny Fox	Celebrate Rotary
2003/2004	Greg Wragg	Lend a Hand
2002/2003	Dick Garner	Sow the Seeds of Love
2001/2002	Tricia Rhodes	Mankind is Our Business
2000/2001	Geoffrey Tickner	Create Awareness - Take Action
1999/2000	Helen Wragg	Act with Consistency, Credibility, Continuity
1998/1999	Lindsay Morgan	Follow Your Rotary Dream
1997/1998	Helen Wragg	Show Rotary Cares
1996/1997	Andrew McGregor	Build the Future with Action and Vision
1995/1996	Juliet Riseley	Act with Integrity - Serve with Love -Work for Peace

BOARD & TEAM MEMBERS

PRESIDENT	AMANDA HILL
PAST PRESIDENT	PETER READ
PRESIDENT ELECT	AMANDA HILL & BEVERLEY BLACKLEY
SECRETARY	LIZ WARE
TREASURER	ROS BODLEY
PROGRAM	LIZ WARE
FARMERS MARKET	LANCE BLACKLEY
COMMUNITY	GEOFF TICKNER
INTERNATIONAL	PETER READ
FOUNDATION	LINDSAY MORGAN
MARKETING	CHRISTINE LINDSEY
YOUTH	CHRISTINE LINDSEY
PROJECTS	GEOFF TICKNER
WEBMASTER & BULLETIN EDITOR	LOU RODRIQUEZ
SOCIAL MEDIA	CHRISTINE LINDSEY
MEMBERSHIP & SOCIAL ACTIVITIES	ANNETTE GRIME
FUNDRAISING	ANNETTE GRIME

COMMITTEES

FARMERS MARKET	LANCE BLACKLEY, AMANDA HILL, JENNY FOX, ROS BODLEY, CHRISTINE LINDSEY
COMMUNITY	GEOFF TICKNER
MEMBERSHIP/SOCIAL	ANNETTE GRIME, LANCE BLACKLEY, BEV BLACKLEY, MARIE ARENSEN, JULIET RISELEY, LIZ WARE, ROS BODLEY
INTERNATIONAL	PETER READ, HANS STAHL, ANNETTE GRIME, LINDSAY MORGAN
YOUTH/EDUCATION	CHRISTINE LINDSEY, MARIE ARENSEN, GEOFF TICKNER

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Amanda Hill

President

Our goals for 2022-2023 were:

- Stronger linkages with the community to understand and identify needs
- Enhance the Community Grants Program based on community feedback
- Finalise project plan and funding for paediatric hearing project in Tonga
- Continuation of youth and teen mental health project

I am pleased to report that we achieved these goals. We conducted a community consultation via our Bayside Farmers Market in September and November 2022 to identify and prioritise the needs in the community to inform the club's community grants program. The areas identified were mental health programs, working with the elderly in the transition to retirement and connecting with the local community, youth programs such as employment coaching and hosting community activities. We will be putting some of these suggestions into action during 2023-2024.

Partnering with the Rotary Club of Brighton North, our Bayside Teen Mental Health First Aid project delivered training on mental health signs, symptoms and support to 515 students. This will continue next year and aligns with the Rotary theme of "creating hope".

One activity I would like to highlight is our involvement in the Friendship awards at the local primary schools. This reward and recognition program provides incentives for behaviours that demonstrate values of responsibility, fairness, friendship, kindness and acceptance.

In addition to the many community and youth related projects that are included in this report, a new activity was our participation in the intergenerational interviews for Melbourne University students to practice their interviewing skills. We continued our involvement in environmental programs through the Hampton Beach Patrol monthly beach cleaning.

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Last year, we reported on progress with the screening and hearing project in Tonga. The idea for this project came from our community pre-school screening program that the club has been involved in for several years. Following the pandemic disruption and other natural disasters, I am pleased to report that training of local staff has begun and look forward to reporting on outcomes in next year's report.

I would like to thank all of the club's members for their dedication, expertise and support that have been instrumental in achieving our goals and vision of making a difference

SECRETARY'S REPORT



Liz Ware

Secretary

Our Board meetings continued to be conducted via Zoom. This enabled Board members who were away on occasion to participate. My personal thanks go to President Amanda and Board members, Ros Bodley, Peter Read, Lance Blackley, Bev Blackley and Annette Grime for their continued support throughout the year. Thank you also to Christine Lindsey (Youth Chair) and Geoff Tickner (Community Chair). This support enabled Board meetings to run smoothly. Board Reports were always submitted in a timely manner.

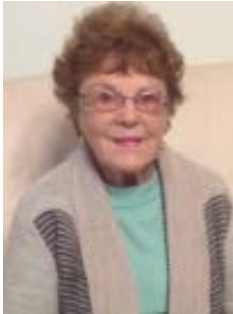
Our thanks and compliments must go again to Lou Rodriguez who has managed the website, keeping it up to date and interesting. He is always on hand to help with any technical issues I may have. Lou continues to track and update our member details and data base for the club. We acknowledge and thank him for keeping these details accurate.

I would also like to thank Marie Arendsen for looking after Membership as this provides the lifeblood of the Club. Membership is a large part of the Secretary's portfolio and Marie relieves me of this role.

The club Board convened for 10 meetings. Numerous electronic motions and other topics requiring comments were organised during the past 12 months and I thank Board members for their quick responses which has meant the tracking of such items was very straight forward.

I congratulate President Amanda for her year at the helm and I am looking forward to working with joint Presidents, Amanda and Bev, in 2023-24.

TREASURER'S REPORT



ROSALIND BODLEY F.C.P.A.

Treasurer

Our Farmers Market fund raising continues to be our main source of funds. We have been back to normal and have been able to hold a market every month with the help of Sandringham Rotary Club, and North Brighton Rotary Club, at Trey Bit Reserve every fourth Saturday in the month.

We have had special appeals at some markets and our market patrons have made contributions to some of the world disasters.

We have continued to support our Fiji student studying veterinary science and he graduated in March 2023.

We have supported flood relief in Pakistan, also the earthquake in Türkiye by partnering with a German Club to provide bakers ovens to help feed victims of this disaster. We have provided the funds for an extensive training program for Youth Mental Health with the Rotary Club of North Brighton and we continue our local school awards. Hampton Life Saving Club has started a program for year 9 students at McKinnon College with the aim of qualifying all students in water safety. We were able to support them with necessary clothing. Another worthwhile community activity is Teams Sports 4 all, which we have sponsored.

Our membership fees and some club income has covered our Club operations, administrative costs and District and International fees this year.

We are all looking forward to the year ahead when we can continue our activities and fund raising.

Liz Ware our assistant treasurer is my understudy and I thank her for stepping in whenever I am unavailable.

COMMUNITY



Geoff Tickner

Chair – Community



Christmas Hampers for The Salvos.

Hampton Rotarians have been making their own Christmas hamper donations to The Salvos for at least 20 years.

Our first connection with The Salvation Army at Bentleigh was via Merle Hedges who, with husband Henry, provided assistance to many disadvantaged families.

Club members delivered their hampers to Geoff Tickner who presented them to Henry Hedges at the Salvos Bentleigh office.

Stamp Garbology – Recycling of Used Stamps

Philatelic Garbology is the simple act of saving and recycling used stamps.

It is a Rotary District 9810 project which co-ordinates the collecting and selling of used stamps to dealers that generates funds which bring major changes to the lives of others. Commencing in 1991, the project has raised over \$120,000.00.

District funds raised this year are nearly \$10,000 with the funds supporting the 'End Trachoma' project.

Our Club is a regular contributor to this project and we encourage members and friends to collect their used stamps and bring them to the Club.

Each year, Geoff Tickner delivers our contributions to the District Stamp Recycler.

BayCISS Men's Toiletries Packs

Last year, the Club learned that the impact of COVID increased the challenges faced by community support groups. BayCISS, a local support organisation, advised us that men in particular were struggling to fund their basic hygiene needs and were often overlooked in donations by support groups.

This year, we continued the project and again assembled 50 presentation packs and delivered them to BayCISS prior to Christmas.

The photos show Geoff & Prue Tickner making the presentation to Rose Paduano, Manager of BayCISS and also the collection of products prior to packing.



We are continuing our support to BayCISS and recently donated a parcel of shopping vouchers to assist BayCISS clients meet the impact of inflationary costs.

Bayside Christmas Event

A wonderful example of a partnership between community organisations. Hampton Rotary, Brighton Rotary, Hampton RSL, BayCISS, Family Life, Victoria Police, TeamSports4All, CWA, St Leonard's College and Bayside Council came together to provide Christmas Dinner and gifts for vulnerable members of our community.



ENVIRONMENT

Beach Cleaning



Hampton Rotarians and friends have continued to support **Hampton Beach Patrol 3188** – cleaning our beaches on the first Sunday morning of each month. Some cleans were after heavy storms collecting a massive amount of rubbish at the high tide mark. We didn't have to walk very far to fill our bags in the one hour of clean!

Last year many straws were always collected at the high tide mark, but with the ban on plastic straws this year we've seen the number collected sizeably reduced. However, we do collect a lot of chupa chup sticks! At Green Point we collect left over picnic rubbish with usually a large haul of discarded cigarette butts.

Notable items collected were syringes (some with needles protruding), a fire extinguisher, a sleeping bag, nangs, clothing, PPE, toys and fishing gear. The wonderful team of volunteers attended through sun, rain and hail.

YOUTH & EDUCATION



Christine Lindsey

Chair – Youth

The Youth Committee for 2022-2023 focused on projects which develop youth leadership and resilience, promote educational opportunities and support the mental health of young people.

Here is a summary of the projects undertaken this year:

Pre-School Screening Project



During the past 12 months, Hampton Rotary has again held two very successful screening sessions for pre-school children in the local Bayside area, for both hearing and large motor skills development.

The hearing screening project was first piloted in 2015, and is a joint initiative between Hampton Rotary, Bayside City Council, the University of Melbourne and Hampton Primary School. Pre-school children are tested to identify any hearing issues, which can have the potential to impact both their short-term and long-term speech and language development. Students from the Master of Clinical Audiology at the University of Melbourne conduct the tests, under the supervision of a qualified audiologist.

Last year, we widened the scope of the screening by adding Physiotherapy testing of paediatric gross motor skills to the usual Audiology hearing checking. These screenings were carried out by Melbourne University's Physiotherapy doctoral students who tested children with games involving catching, throwing & kicking a soft ball slightly smaller than a basketball.

We are very appreciative of all the help from the various parties involved. Hampton Primary School once again very generously provided the venue. Each child was accompanied by a parent who had made a booking through Bayside City Council's Family Services department, who managed the bookings, the advertising to Bayside's preschools and promotion on their website. Then there were Melbourne University's Departments of Audiology and Physiotherapy who provided and supervised the students. Club members provided their time on the day to ensure everything ran smoothly once again.

The testing results showed the value of running such a program, with a number of children requiring further professional check-ups.

Hampton Rotary are keen to continue this project with the support of Melbourne University, who are keen to get their students involved in community work, especially working with an age group which is not readily available.

The dates for the next testing session later in the year will be announced in due course and any further enquiries regarding this project can be directed to:

Marie Arendsen
Email: arendsen.m.a@gmail.com

Intergenerational Interviews for Melbourne University Physiotherapy Students



The Rotary Clubs of Hampton and Templestowe assisted the Physiotherapy Department of Melbourne University in a new learning experience for their students.

These involved students undertaking short interviews with older adults at several points across the year. The activity helped to further develop students' communication and interpersonal skills and was a valuable experience in preparation for students attending their gerontology clinical placements in subsequent weeks.

Hampton Rotary sourced volunteers (over 65 years) to assist the physiotherapy students to practice their interviewing skills. We needed volunteers who have (or have had) a health condition(s) impacting on their physical function. This could include conditions such as arthritis, osteoporosis, joint replacements, back pain, lung or heart disease, stroke, cancer, hearing or vision loss, cognitive issues or falls and balance problems. This did not include any physical assessment or treatments in the session.

Sessions were run via video conferencing (e.g., Zoom), supervised by a qualified physiotherapist, and occurred 6 times during the year. Participation involved speaking with two physiotherapy students for approximately 20 minutes each. During the interview, volunteers were asked questions about themselves, and their health conditions or changes associated with ageing. This included how their health had impacted their daily activities and how these had been managed. The sessions were confidential, and they only needed to divulge as much or as little as liked.

The feedback from both the students and their supervisors was very positive. The volunteers also enjoyed the sessions and provided many useful suggestions. Overall, this was considered extremely helpful by the Melbourne University Physiotherapy Department, who hope this will be an ongoing project for future students.

Any further enquiries regarding this project can be directed to:
Marie Arendsen
Email: arendsen.m.a@gmail.com

Friendship Captains' Awards Promoting Youth Leadership

The Club presents these awards to two local primary schools:

- Hampton Primary School - The Award was first presented at Hampton Primary School in 1997 and is the longest standing award presented by the Club.
- St Mary's Primary School - The Award was first presented at St Mary's Primary School in 2000.

To receive the Awards, students are elected by their peers. They are considered to best meet the criteria of kindness, responsibility, fairness, friendship and acceptance. In addition, staff consider they uphold the school principles. Each receives a congratulatory certificate and a book voucher from Hampton Rotary. Their names have been added to the Honour Boards for all to see in their final year at school.

Grace Stott and Jimmy Wigg were elected at Hampton Primary School.
Jessica Taylor and Josh Orlowski were elected at St Mary's.



On the left
Grace Stott and Jimmy Wigg with Geoff Tickner



On the right
Jessica Taylor and Josh Orlowski

Berendale School Resilience Award



The Resilience Award was first presented by the Rotary Club of Hampton in 2010.

The Award is presented to a 'Year 11' student who has impressed the Head and staff by their ability to work through problems and learn how to apply themselves to realise true and improved outcomes for both themselves and those around them.

The Award is presented to a student who will be entering their final year at Berendale so that the student and their peers can see the student's name on the Honour Board throughout their final year.

It is a significant achievement and the winner should be extremely proud of their effort in gaining this Award.

The Club presents the winner with a congratulatory letter and a gift voucher from JB HiFi. **This year's winner is Mikayla Matheny**

Any further enquiries regarding this project can be directed to:

Geoff Tickner

Email: Geoffrey.tickner@bigpond.com

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) Camp



This year, three students from Sandringham College were sponsored to attend the RYPEN Camp in Malmsbury Victoria at the end of March. We wish to thank Rotary Club of Brighton, through the Early Intervention Federal Govt Grant funding, for assisting to sponsor these students. This Youth Development Program for students aged 15-17 years old presented a great opportunity for young people to help them reach their potential, and develop skills in resilience, communication, leadership, teamwork and goal setting...& more.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)

This year, we will support two youth (18-30yo) from Hampton Life Saving Club to participate at RYLA at the end of June this year.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is an intensive leadership experience organized by Rotary where students develop skills as a leader. This leadership program helps students to:

- Build communication and problem-solving skills
- Discover strategies for becoming a dynamic leader in their school or community
- Learn from community leaders, inspirational speakers, and peer mentors
- Unlock their potential to turn motivation into action
- Have fun and form lasting friendships

We wish to thank Rotary Club of Brighton, through their Early Intervention Federal Govt Grant funding, for offering financial assistance to sponsor these students.

Bayside Teen Mental Health First Aid



Hampton Rotary are very proud to be joint organisers of the Bayside Teen Mental Health First Aid project.

This Rotary project delivers the Teen Mental Health First Aid training course to high school students in Years 9/10 at Bayside Secondary Colleges. The course, developed by Mental Health First Aid Australia, teaches students about the signs and symptoms of mental health problems that may be experienced by young people, and how they can support a friend who may be experiencing a mental health problem.

Over the past year, the Bayside Teen Mental Health First Aid project has delivered this specialised mental health training to 515 high school students in Bayside, and we are now rolling out the training to more schools in the area. Our target is to have trained 700 students in Bayside by the end of the year!

As part of our commitment to support the local secondary school communities with mental health training, we are also providing specialist training to teachers and school staff, so they too can support the local students at their colleges. This training, Youth Mental Health First Aid, is also developed by Mental Health First Aid Australia, and adults working or living with adolescents learn how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis.

This is an exciting and impactful project and we are very grateful for the partnership with Brighton North Rotary, as well as the support from Mental Health First Aid Australia, Bayside City Council and the Rotary Foundation as well as the Government Secondary Colleges in Bayside, all of whom are helping to support young people with their mental health.

Any further enquiries regarding this project can be directed to:

Christine Lindsey - Email: Christine.lindsey@gmail.com

Hampton Rotary Sponsors TeamSport4All Team Relay Challenge23



Hampton Rotary were proud to be an official event partner for this year's TeamSports4All Team Challenge Relay 23. We are very proud to support this fantastic local charity who do so much good in the community to connect and support disadvantaged children to get into community-based team sports.

Our Club also provided them with a booth at one of our markets so they could raise their profile prior to their annual fundraising event, as well as to make new connections in the local community.

Their annual fundraiser, Team Relay Challenge, this year raised an incredible \$75,601 which goes a long way to help them continue to grow and give families experiencing financial hardship the opportunities that come from being part of a community club and team sport.

Our Club hopes to continue the association with TeamSports4All into the future as well.

To find out more about TeamSports4All, you can visit their website at:
<https://www.teamsports4all.com.au>

Hampton Rotary Supports Youth Life Saving Program at McKinnon Secondary College and Hampton Life Saving Club



Hampton Rotary helped to support an innovative new project being run by Hampton Life Saving Club with McKinnon College. Starting in May 2023, the first stage of the Surf Life Saving program with the connected communities of Hampton Life Saving Club and McKinnon Secondary College commenced. 65 students worked through their surf life saving certificate with two days of theory at McKinnon College and two days at the beach.

The students that attended were extremely multicultural and over 75% of students had not swum in open water prior to the program. There were several at risk students in the group that were able to shine for the first time in a school activity.

The resilience that the students showed in persisting in the cold water (11deg) and doing new physical activities was amazing. The students worked through the rain and wind, and participated in their swim in unusually rough conditions.

The program saw the expected successes of gaining new skills and having a new experience, but what was not expected was the opportunity for students to build resilience, to practice inclusive behaviour and to build team working skills, to experience leadership and build communication skills.

Hampton Rotary provided new hi-vis rash tops which made this program possible. Without the additional warmth for the students, it would not have been possible. Many of these students are going to continue with life saving over summer which is building our community and helping it stay safe.

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A big thank you to this past year's hard working youth committee: Marie Arendsen and Geoff Tickner. Their commitment to the development of this year's initiatives to support youth in the Bayside area has been crucial to the success of all of these projects.

Christine Lindsey
Director – Youth & Education

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE



Peter Read

Chair International Service and Foundation

Signature International Project – Screening the Hearing of Year 1 and 2 Primary School Students in Tonga



We reported in the 2022 Annual Report that the preparation of our Screening and Hearing project in Tonga was making progress despite restrictions to travel to Tonga imposed by the Tongan Government due to the spread of the Corona Virus and the eruption of the Hunga-Tonga-Hunga-Ha’apai volcano and tsunami in January 2022. We continued to work on the preparation of this project in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Nuku’alofa.

Our persistence paid off and on 17th January 2023, we were informed by The Rotary Foundation that our application for Global Grant for the project had been approved.

The project has two parts, Capacity Building and Training for nursing staff (38 were subsequently trained) on ear health education at the Vaiola Hospital and subsequently screening the hearing of elementary school students (grade 1 and 2) in Nuku'alofa Tonga.

The total project cost is in excess of AUD\$122,500 comprising AUD\$ 40,000 in donations from Rotary Clubs in several Australian states, Germany and Tonga, private donations from Australia and Tonga, AUD 75,000 from the Rotary Foundation and AUD 7,500 from RAWCS to support preparation of educational material. Our own club contributed \$AUD15,000.

Within the budget, over AUD\$40,000 was allocated to purchase modern audiology equipment which will be used by the trainees to complete the screening of children in Tongatapu and continue the screening program in Tonga in subsequent years. Tongatapu is the main island in the Kingdom of Tonga where approximately 70% of the population reside, however the objective of the project is for a number of the trainees to fulfil a training role themselves towards the end of the project to train community nurses from a number of outer islands in Tonga.

The initial project is expected to extend over a 12-month period.

Following approval, our project team nominated in the Global Grant submission were mobilised in April 2023 in Tonga, to commence the training. This initial team comprising myself, Chris Waterworth and Tim Klar as Audiologists were joined in Tonga by Dr Sepiuta Lopati ENT Registrar, Phillip Luey Audiologist and Emma Luey Community Education Specialist who also participated in the training and will continue to support the project through its duration with Phillip providing a role of country Project Manager through to completion.

Partners in the project include the Ministry of Health Tonga who are facilitating and supporting our presence in Tonga, The Rotary Club of Hampton and the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa. This team has worked together for over three years to bring the project to fruition.

Further visits by myself are intended during 2023 and 2024 to monitor progress and report on the project outcome.

Members of the Rotary Club of Hampton have already visited the project in Tonga and others have expressed interest in meeting our project team in Tonga, the Nurses conducting the training and enjoying Fellowship with the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa.

Donation to Türkiye



The Rotary Club of Dachau, through our member Hans Stahl made a request for consideration of the club to support the people impacted by the recent severe earthquake.

RC Dachau was mobilizing support to provide some relief in conjunction with RC Ataköy in Türkiye. The purpose of the funding was to support the establishment of bread making equipment.

Members overwhelmingly supported a donation of \$5000 towards the initiative of RC Dachau and (Türkiye) to provide bread making equipment to the earthquake impacted area in Turkey.

It is to be noted that the RC Dachau (which is Hans's former club in Germany) made a generous donation to support our Tonga Hearing Project

Tonga Earthquake and Tsunami



The major volcanic eruption and tsunami impacting Tonga in early 2022 has also caused significant disruption to the country and compounded the delays caused by the pandemic.

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Our club donated AUD \$5000 to Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa, Tonga for distribution to Communities and Organisations Impacted by the Volcanic Eruption and Tsunami in early 2022.

A strong relationship has been established through the Hearing Project in Tonga with the Rotary Club of Nuku'alofa (RCN).

Example of damage caused by the Tonga tsunami to houses and health facilities developed initially with funding from Rotary is shown in the photograph above.

MARKETING, COMMUNICATIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS



Christine Lindsey

Christine Lindsey

Chair – Marketing and Public Relations

The Club's marketing strategy has been to promote and support Club events and membership development, introduce the Club and its projects to new audiences, as well as raise awareness and communicate the Club's role as a key service organization in the local community. A variety of marketing communication channels are used: website, email database, and social media. Below is a summary of marketing activities undertaken over the past year.

Website Promotion

The Club website continues to provide a public relations face for the Rotary Club of Hampton providing:

- Overview of the Club, its activities and contact points for new membership enquiries;
- Club projects are featured – local, community, youth and international – with regular updates on activities Club members are involved with;
- The calendar of upcoming events features the weekly meeting schedule, with details on guest speakers and other features of each upcoming meeting;
- Fundraising events, such as the Bayside Farmers' Market, are also promoted on the website;
- The Club's monthly newsletter is also available to the public on the website.

Social Media

The Club maintains a social media presence with Facebook and Instagram, with accounts for both the Rotary Club of Hampton and the Bayside Farmers Market, the main fundraising event for the Club. Posts on the Club's page are made on average twice weekly, and include updates on Club projects, fundraising promotion, events promotion and other general Rotary news. The Club also promotes its events and activities on local community social media hubs, which extends our reach and profile to those in the broader community.

Monthly Newsletter

The Club's monthly newsletter, the Hampton Herald, continues to be a well-read publication delivered electronically to members and other contacts of the Club, such as past members, and local community groups. The newsletter includes articles each month covering past and upcoming meetings, project updates, details on upcoming fundraising events, as well as District and Rotary International news items. The monthly Hampton Herald is a vital communication channel for members and community to be engaged and kept updated on Club and Rotary news.

Bayside Farmers' Market Promotion

The principal fundraising event for the Club is the monthly Bayside Farmers' Market. The marketing team support this event with extensive promotion through street signage, brochure production, web and email marketing, web portal listings and extensive social media campaigns, including paid ads, throughout the year.

With an average attendance each month throughout the year of 1500 visitors, the market also offers a unique opportunity to promote the Club's profile and brand to a diverse local community. Promotional posters are displayed at the market, showcasing the range of projects undertaken by the Club. The Club's Rotary stall at the market has also become a focus for new membership enquiries, and a number of membership enquiries to the Club this year first connected with us at the market.

MEMBERSHIP & SOCIAL



Annette Grime

Chair – Membership & Social

Membership

Continuing to build the database of potential membership prospects from Club events, projects and activities, and developing appropriate follow-up membership marketing strategies, is an ongoing priority for the Club. A Club promotional brochure is updated annually and provided to all membership enquiries, which are then followed up by the Club membership co-ordinator.

Hampton is very pleased to gain some new members this year with another in the wings. Sadly, one member is moving to the other side of Melbourne where she will seek to transfer to another club. We will be sorry to see her go. However, we are delighted that a previous member is now transferring back to Hampton.

Many thanks to Marie Arendsen for all her work as Club membership co-ordinator.

MEETINGS and SOCIAL EVENTS

Meetings

Monthly meetings followed a weekly timetable 1st Tuesday – Board Meeting via Zoom, 2nd Tuesday speaker at Hampton RSL, 3rd Tuesday – social at a local restaurant, 4th Tuesday – general club meeting at Hampton RSL, 4th Saturday Farmers' Market. Some of our Speakers have included Inspector Dr Cath Wilkins (Victoria Police), Rose Paduano (BayCISS), Cameron Dale (TeamSports4All), Zoe Murdoch (Hampton LSC and McKinnon College), Juliet Cooper (Principal Berendale School), Jay Davis (RYLA) and a joint meeting with RC Brighton North for speaker David Whiting. General club meetings on the 4th Tuesday provide the opportunity for all members to contribute ideas.

Club Social Events

The Club has continued to support local restaurants on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. We have enjoyed dinner at Hampton St restaurants Il Forno and Little Vietnam 504, returned to our old stamping ground, the Brighton Beach Hotel, and, dined at Sandringham Yacht Club on a number of occasions. Christmas dinner at Amanda Hill and John Skerritt's home was a highlight and enjoyed by all.

RICON Melbourne 2023



Many members from the Club participated at the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne this year and were thrilled to be connected with so many delegates from around the world.

Hampton Rotary were also super excited to host a home dinner for a group of overseas visiting delegates during one evening of the convention. It was so great to welcome Wyn and Steve Spiller (Rotary Club Grass Valley, Nevada City), Janet Haas (Rotary Club Livonia, Metro Detroit Michigan), Peter Mardinly (Rotary Club Media, Pennsylvania), Sue Mardinly (Rotary Club Concordville Chadds Ford, Pennsylvania), Jeff and Marapili Hassman (Rotary Club Cedar Falls, Iowa) and Renee Roberts (District 6380).

Thank you so much to Amanda Hill (and husband John) for hosting the dinner in their beautiful home, and all the Hampton Club members who prepared a variety of dishes for dinner. We all had a wonderful evening, enjoying local food and wines, as well as hearing stories of travels and Rotary projects. Safe travels to our lovely guests as they head back home (with a couple of chocolate koala bears as well), and we all look forward to staying connected into the future.

BAYSIDE FARMERS' MARKET



Lance Blackley

Market Co-ordinator

The Bayside Farmers' Market is the main fundraising event for Rotary Club of Hampton and has grown to become a much-loved major community event for the Bayside area. Now running for more than 10 years, it is also rated as one of the best Farmers' markets in Melbourne. Rain, hail or shine, the market is held monthly on the 4th Saturday every month. Not only does the market feature amazing food producers and growers, but also a number of artisan gift makers, and live entertainment as well.

This year, we have hosted a number of community groups at the market to help them promote their causes to the wider community, and over the past year we've featured Connor's Run, TeamSports4All as well as the local Bayside City Council's Green Waste Program.



Our special market of the year is our annual Christmas market, held in December, and we again had a special visit from Santa and his helpers, who distributed treats for children, and proved to be a big hit with everyone. We want to thank all members who helped in the lead-up to this market to get gift bags packed and ready for distribution by Santa and for their help on the day to ensure this market was a great success. Thanks also to Arran Ferguson (Santa), Hans (Santa's driver) and the Elves (Imogen & Erica), as well as Vocally Wild Choir cheering everyone with their Christmas carols.

Over the past year, we have made several enhancements to the market infrastructure and operations, including:

- Replacing old market trailers,
- Disposal of old and unneeded equipment and supplies,
- Retrofitting a smaller trailer, with new supports and tyres, as well as incorporating new market signage,
- Repairs to canopies,
- Purchase of new equipment to improve market set-up and pack-down,
- Addition of new larger project signage.

The new project signage now advertises our activities and projects on the display boards each month, such as Community Safety Alert, Xmas Raffle, BayCISS Xmas Dinner, Turkey Earthquake Baking Equipment Project, Tonga Hearing Project and Bayside Teen Mental Health Project. These promotional opportunities for the Club and its projects at the market have received fantastic feedback and monetary donations towards the projects from market attendees.

In all, the operational changes implemented this year have enhanced market operations considerably. With our partners, Regional Farmers Markets, we will be introducing special events to future markets. We are looking forward to hosting a dog show and know many of our regular patrons will be keen to have their dog participate!

This year, the position of Market Roster Coordinator has also undergone some change. Jenny Fox has been doing the task since the inception of the market so she felt it was time for a break and others to take on the role. Thanks to Jenny Fox for a great effort over a long time. Recently, the duties have temporarily been shared by Bev, Liz and Annette and now Anya has agreed to take on the role permanently. Thanks to Anya.

Thank you to all the Club members who get up early to set-up and volunteer at the market each month, as well as our partners, Regional Farmers' Markets, who all work so hard to make this market such a fantastic event. We also extend thanks to the Rotary Clubs of Brighton North and Sandringham, for supporting the market each month too.

Finally, a big thank you to this past year's Market Committee – Amanda Hill, Ros Bodley, Lance Blackley, Christine Lindsey and Jenny Fox – who all worked incredibly hard to make our Market one of the best in Melbourne.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following statements are to the end of May 2023. Final statements will be subject to Board approval and presented to the Club's Annual General Meeting.

BALANCE SHEET AT 31ST MAY 2023

ASSETS

Current Assets

Bank Accounts	
Westpac - Cash Reserve	17,510
Westpac - Cheque Account	6,639
Westpac - Tonga account	35,221

Total Bank 59,370

Other Current Assets

Sundry Debtors	4,000
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Total Other Current Assets 4,000

Total Current Assets 63,370

Fixed Assets

Market Canopies	757
Market Trailer	800

Total Fixed Assets 1,557

TOTAL ASSETS 64,927

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities

Provision Market Expenses	6
Volunteers Provision	830
Tonga Hearing Project	35,221

Total Current Liabilities 36,057

TOTAL LIABILITIES 36,057

NET ASSETS 28,871

EQUITY

Opening Bal Equity	20,779
Retained Earnings	21,426
Net Income	-13,334

TOTAL EQUITY 28,871

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STATEMENT OF INCOME & EXPENDITURE - 1 JULY 2022 - 31ST MAY 2023

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Club Income		Club Expenses	
Meetings & Meals	1,379	Administration	798.00
Interest	237	Badges, Regalia & Supplies	199.66
Membership Dues	5,240	Bank Fees	264
Sale BBQ Trailer	<u>2,500</u>	Computer and Software	400
Total Club Income	<u>9,357</u>	Fees and permits	61
		Meetings & Meals	201
Fundraising		Rotary Dues & Magazines	3,978
Farmers' Market	<u>10,690</u>	Website & Internet Expenses	<u>705</u>
Total Fundraising	10,690	Total Club Expenses	6,607
Donations, Grants & Sponsorship		Donations & Grants	
Disaster Aid-Turkey	1,000	Australian Rotary Health	1,000
Team Sports 4 All	721	BAYCISS	2,420
Bayside Council Mental Health	7,200	Camp Awakening	700
District 9810 Mental Health Grant	2,400	Community Grants	88
Regional Farmers Markets	11,000	District 9810 Partner Project	500
Tonga Hearing Project	100	Foundation Annual Giving	2,533
Miscellaneous	<u>7</u>	Fund Raising Insurance	624
Total Donations & Sponsorship	22,428	Hampton Life Saving Club	3,200
		Hearing Tests	19
Total Fundraising & Donations	<u>33,118</u>	Mental Health Project	9,527
		Pakistan Floods	1,500
TOTAL INCOME	<u>42,475</u>	School Awards Expenses	801
		Team Sports 4 All	6,000
		Tonga Hearing Project	14,290
		Türkiye Earthquake	<u>6,000</u>
		Total Donations & Grants	49,201
		TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>55,808</u>
		NET INCOME	<u>-13,334</u>

Finally, to Joint Presidents Amanda Hill & Beverlea Blackley

Enjoy your term as President of the Club



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