

ROTARY CLUB OF HOBART
OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE 34TH ANNUAL ART SHOW
REMARKS BY
HER EXCELLENCY THE HONOURABLE BARBARA BAKER AC
GOVERNOR OF TASMANIA
WREST POINT, FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2024

Good evening. It is a pleasure to join you all here tonight to open this 34th annual Rotary Club of Hobart Art Show.

May I begin by acknowledging the Muwinina people upon whose Country we gather. I acknowledge today's Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as ongoing custodians of Country. I recognise their enduring culture and deep connection to land, sea, and waters.

We all acknowledge a remarkable milestone of the 100th anniversary of the Rotary Club of Hobart. So, tonight, we not only celebrate this Art Show, but also the significant impact that the Rotary Club of Hobart has had on our community for one hundred years, dedicated to service and fellowship, and to improving the lives of people in Hobart.

This Art Show aligns with Rotary's ethos of service, the funds raised from this event going back to our community to support numerous projects and initiatives.¹

As we celebrate this centenary, let us acknowledge the Club's support of young people at the Taroon Camp and the Kennerley Boys' Home and also through its youth programs; the establishment of the Sixty and Over Club; the provision of social and recreational opportunities for our elderly citizens, and the response to crises, such as the establishment of the Snug Park Camp after the devastating 1967 bushfires.²

In this centenary year, the Rotary Club of Hobart is investing \$100,000 into the community, and with other funds will support a variety of projects, including the

¹ Correspondence Kate Domeney / DOS 27 August 2024

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Hobart Community Shed and the Southern Tasmanian Disaster Relief Fund, ensuring Rotary's spirit of giving continues.³

May I wish you another century of achieving remarkable results, here in Tasmania and around the world.

I now have the great pleasure of declaring this 34th annual Rotary Club of Hobart Art Show officially open.

³ Correspondence Kate Domeney / Paula Chatwood 5 Sept 2024