

Key event supporting the development of young migrants

Rotary Club of Hobart

On Saturday 4 February Rotary clubs around Tasmania will be holding simultaneous barbecues to raise funds for vital local projects, and to spread the word about the activities and achievements of Rotary in their community.

As part of Rotary Tasmania's state-wide **Biggest Barbecue Day** the Hobart Club is holding a unique event on the Hobart waterfront.

A free "wharf side barbecue" will be staged on the dock next to sail training vessel *Windeward Bound* at Elizabeth Street Pier from 10am on 4 February, with special chefs for the day including Hobart Club member Alderman Damon Thomas, Lord Mayor of Hobart.

Club President Sue Hickey said today that all donations made at the barbecue, in addition to a \$10,000 contribution being presented by the Club on the day, will go to *Windeward Bound's* Youth Development Sail Training Program, which has been changing the lives of young Tasmanians for more than fifteen years. Crew members of the *Windeward Bound* will also be taking barbecue attendees on a guided tour of the ship, one of the finest sail training facilities in Australia.

"The Hobart Club's major contribution will be particularly dedicated to the Training Program's first voyage for the year in February, when the program will support newly-arrived migrant and refugee youths", Sue Hickey said. "The training program is designed as a confidence builder to allow young migrants to better integrate in the general community, assist with their English speaking skills, provide positive information on Australian culture, and allow them to build their local networks of friends".

The Club's event is being strongly supported by the Hotel Grand Chancellor, Tassie Home Loans and Captain Sarah Parry and the crew of *Windeward Bound*.

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