



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

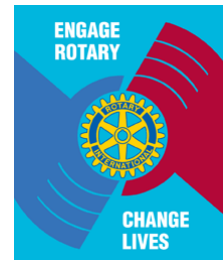
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HOT AIR

District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
13 March 2014



WENDY'S WISDOM

Rotary Clubs grow stronger when they give options for their members to join in Service. For some, it suits to join in through personal donations, for some it suits to be active in fundraising for some it suits to 'do something' – be a part of a working party. One of the advantages and strengths of being a member of High Rise is that opportunities arise for us to give service in ways that suits us individually. Hands on working this year has included a big group working together for Clean Up Australia, a group cooking sausages and spinning fairy floss at Picnic in the Park, a group knitting rugs for children who need to live in a Family and Domestic Violence Refuge with their Mums, volunteers at our Waitangi Day function to ensure the guests were free to donate, dancing with the children of Mamba to show them that they matter and giving time and commitment to make sure that Ayan could cope with all that she is going through in our beautiful city. Wow. What variety and I haven't even started on the hours that are put into 'organizing' committees. I was surprised to hear a member say recently that we don't have many opportunities to be hands on. I know that for many of you the issue is the opposite and trying to fit the opportunities into daily routines is a challenge. We've reached the time we come to each year when Margot will be asking for help at the Rotary Art Show. We need members giving time to receive and wrap art work, to hang pictures and to take on security stints over the two weeks.

When we're asked I hope that she's swamped.

| ROSTER | 13 March | 20 March | 27 March | 3 April | 10 April |
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| Chair | Ron | Mavis | Melanie | No Meeting Art Show Cocktail Party 6.30pm Riverside Centre | Yvonne |
| Set Up | Mavis Melanie | Melanie Yvonne | Yvonne Denise | | Denise Susan |
| Close Down | Yvonne Denise | Denise Susan | Susan Steve S | | Steve S Jane |
| Sergeant | Rob | Lindsay | Greg | | Kit |

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Given the tensions in the Crimea this week we toast the Rotary Club of Simferopol (Crimea) which was chartered in 1996. Their focus is orphans and handicapped children and they also hold a concert for WWII Veterans and pensioners. Best wishes for a peaceful resolution.

GUEST SPEAKERS

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| 13 March | Judith Anderson OAM + Ayan as our special guest | District Governor Zonta |
| 20 March | Megan Buxton | Destiny Rescue |
| 27 March | Jane Loxton | Pancreatic Cancer Research |

ATTENDANCE 6/3

MEMBERS: 40
VISITING ROTARIANS: 0
GUESTS: 7
PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS
ATTENDED:
71%

APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS

NOTIFY OUR CLUB BY 1700 TUESDAY PRIOR
TO THAT WEEK'S MEETING AT:
apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com
make-ups@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com

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PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS,
EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:
rotarybrisbanehighrise.com
GO TO THE MEMBERS SECTION

ROTARY GRACE

*O Lord and giver of
all good,
we thank you for our
daily food. May
Rotary friends and
Rotary ways help us
to serve you all our
days.*

Ayan Update

Ayan continues to improve slowly and steadily. It is now over two weeks after her surgery. She is missing the teaching skills of Noela Phillips, under whose tutelage Ayan's English improved enormously whilst in hospital, to the point she could read most of the cards and letters sent to her. However, she is enjoying being out of hospital, the skin graft is fading slowly, and she is vigorously using the jaw exerciser kindly donated by Kate and George Hadgelias. Her diet has almost returned to normal.

Thanks again to Suad and Abdi Ismail who are billeting Ayan for the last week of her stay in Australia, assisted by local members of the Somaliland expat community. Ayan has visited the Gold Coast including the Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary.

Edna has now returned to her hospital in Somaliland, and installed the skin graft dermatome and mesher (see www.ozmedix.com.au/mgxroot/page_10769.html) for the benefit of the many burns cases seen there. It was purchased with funds raised at the two functions. If anyone else wants to make a donation towards the next piece of equipment for Edna's hospital, details will be sent soon via one of the Rotary representatives. In the meantime donations can be made at www.ednahospital.org

John Arvier



Leaving hospital



Healing well. Out shopping with no veil and looking beautiful

ONE FOR THE DIARY



ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS' SEMINAR 2014

DATE SAVER - APRIL 12TH 2014

The 2014 Annual Rotary Peace Fellows' Seminar is an all day event bringing together students, Rotarians and academics to recognise the work and experiences of the Class XI Peace Fellows. It also provides an excellent opportunity to meet Class XII who will be assisting on the day.

The seminar will be held in The Women's College within The University of Queensland. This venue offers easy access to free parking and to the City Cat ferry service.

Further details and invitations to come.



DATE: Saturday April 12th 2014. LOCATION: The Women's College, College Road, The University of Queensland, St Lucia Campus



OUR NEXT MAJOR EVENT



3 - 12 April 2014
Opening Night
6.30pm
Thursday 3 April
Riverside Centre
123 Eagle Street
BRISBANE

Tickets on Sale – Pre Paid \$50, on the night \$55

www.rotaryartspectacular.com.au

Proceeds are shared between ROMAC, AEIOU (supporting children with Autism) and Rotary Clubs of Hamilton, Stones Corner and High Rise.

Plenty of opportunities to get involved
See Margo to volunteer for hanging, opening night, security and close down.

Good Luck and best wishes to Ayan from all your friends at the Rotary Brisbane High Rise Club. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always.

