

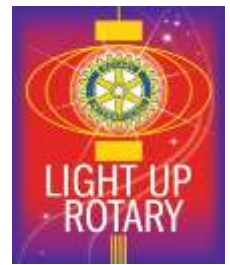


Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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HOT AIR

District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
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LINDSAY'S LINES

What an amazing week it has been. Last Thursday was the finale to our focus on Africa month with the inspirational Gemma and Felix from The School of St Jude, Tanzania, speaking to us and showing what one person can create by partnering with others, especially Rotarians. The Easter raffle, organised by Elizabeth Ling, was a huge success raising nearly \$1,200 with all the proceeds going to St Judes.

Saturday provided a glimpse of one of Rotary Foundation's many amazing projects at work – Peace Fellowships. The Foundation has established 7 peace centres worldwide where it offers master's degree fellowships in peace and conflict prevention and resolution, with UQ here in Brisbane one of the 7. Annually we in Brisbane have the privilege to attend a free seminar run by the Peace Fellows as they come to the end of their 18 months of study. Every year I hear Rotarians who have attended remark that "it is the highlight of their Rotary year" and Saturday was no exception - it was outstanding! In recent years our club has hosted Peace Fellows such as Chantelle Doerksen (USA/Canada) in 2012/13 and Marius Koestler (Norway) in 2013/14. For the next year, Afghani born but now a US citizen, Nabi Sahak, will be hosted by our club (with Rob O'Donovan his counsellor) so please make Nabi welcome and be a family to him during his stay.

A number of members were honoured to attend on Tuesday night the Charter of the Rotaract Club of Brisbane CBD, with 11 charter members led by President Melanie Packer. It is credit to Melanie and her team, ably assisted by ADG Lisa Bateson and our own Bill Phillips, to re-establish Rotaract in our District and we wish them long term success and look forward to working closely with them.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

In memory of the passengers headed to Dusseldorf we raise our glasses to the Rotary Club of Düsseldorf-Süd.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Date	Name	Topic
2 April	All Committees	revue
9 April	TBA	
16 April	Russell Postle	Maheno Project Update
Special sons and daughters meeting - Bring your kids!		
23 April	No meeting - Maritime museum cocktail party	

THANK YOU!

Thank you Elizabeth Ling for your generosity in the Easter Raffle. Not only did you help to raise nearly \$1200 for St Judes Edison loved the chocolates so much that mum and dad didn't get a look in!

What did you do on the weekend?

It's been a very busy weekend (and start to the week). Turn the page to find out what some of the High-Risers got up to.

ROSTER	02-Apr	09-Apr	16-Apr
Chair	Jacqui	Nicole	Neil
Set Up	Nicole	Neil	Phil B
	Neil	Phil B	Rod
Close Down	Phil B	Rod	Julie
	Rod	Julie	Bryce
Sergeant	Barbara	John	Rob

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS:37
VISITING ROTARIANS:1
GUESTS:LOTS!!!
PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS
ATTENDED: 64%

APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS

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

Direct Debit

PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS,
EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:
BSB 084 -034
Account Number
559347857

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.*



DIARY DATES



Date	Event	Details
Tues 21 April	An evening at the Maritime Museum	Have you booked yet?
1-3 May	District 9600 Rotary Conference	www.rotarydistrict9600conference2015.info
30-31 May	Red Shield Appeal	Helpers needed in the counting house. See John L for more details



Maybe you opted for an afternoon of knitting?

(although I hear there was a fair bit of chatting happening as well thanks to the hostess with the mostest)



Or was it a trip to UQ for the Rotary peace fellows presentation?

(Lindsay found Nabi and his fellow peace scholars)





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Thought for the day (or Easter long week end)

One of the life's mysteries is how a two pound box of candy can make a person gain five pounds. Does this also apply for hot cross buns and easter eggs?



RIGHT AT HOME: Newly announced Canegrowers Australia acting chief executive officer Ron Mullins.

NEW CANEGROWERS CEO HAS BURDEKIN ROOTS

AFTER spending more than a decade in the Burdekin during the 1970s, Ron Mullins has been named as acting chief executive officer of Canegrowers Australia.

The long-serving and well-respected Canegrowers Board staffer started in the Canegrowers Burdekin in 1967

and stayed in the region for 12 years.

The move comes as Bresidan Stewart announced his resignation from the organisation last month due to personal issues.

He had been in the position for over 18 months with Mr Mullins taking over the helm

during one of the largest battles in the industry in the last 100 years, adding he is looking forward to working with growers, the Canegrowers team and the new government.

"This is affecting grower confidence in their future and they are putting everything

they have into having a fair say over how they get paid," he said.

"Also high on the agenda in the coming months is the continuing fight for transparency in electricity pricing, which according to Canegrowers would bring about a huge drop"



Or maybe you made it to the Rotaract Club charter dinner?

Lindsay was so busy he had to text me to ask for an extension on his lines this week – lucky he sent through a photo though.

Eddies Epilogue

My weekend was busy. I went for a lovely drive to Laidley to say hi to the everyone at the District 9630 RYPEN camp.

Dad did a presentation about alcohol and drugs while I chased a ball around and charmed everyone.



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