



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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HOT AIR

District 9600

Serving the Heart of Brisbane

3 September 2015



The President's Patter.....

It's September, Spring is here at last and in the words of the late and sadly missed Robin William's, *Spring is nature's way of saying "Let's Party!"* On Sunday as winter was merging into Spring a group from High-Rise did just that over brunch on the river at the Brisbane Jazz Club. Highly talented musicians, Brisbane singer Ingrid James and Australian pianist now living and working in New York, Matt Baker, entertained us. Thank you to Rob O'Donovan for organising a very special event.

It was quite a cultural weekend - on Saturday a group of us attended the Redland Sinfonia concert to hear our own Frank Leschhorn perform. We enjoyed wonderful music from a community orchestra and great it is to see so many youngsters on stage. Frank I am not sure how many Viola playing engineers are performing in orchestras around the world, quite rare I imagine!

September in Rotary is **BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH**, one of the six Focus Areas of Rotary worldwide. Rotary has telling reasons for addressing literacy and education as a major humanitarian target. I believe the following statistics from RI say it all, A child born to a mother who can read is 50% more likely to survive past age five. If all women completed primary education, there would be 66% fewer maternal deaths.

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DIARY DATES

Date	Event
Thurs 17 Sept 7:30pm	Strictly ballroom – Lyric Theatre
Fri 30 Oct	Day for Daniel
Sat 26 Sept 7:30pm	Great Gatsby goes New Orleans Old Museum. See over for details
Tues 24 Nov 6.30pm	Les Miserables - Lyric Theatre Tickets available. See Phil B.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Today we toast the Rotary club of Sassuolo in District 2072. It's just down the road from the Ferarri Museum recently visited by Ros and Mavis. The club meets on Tuesdays at 8:15pm.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Date	Name
3 Sept	James Byrne
10 Sept	Helene (Bo) Morse
17 Sept	Bill Leverit
24 Sept	Marie

ROSTER	3-Sep	10-Sep	17-Sep
Chair	Lindsay	Mark	Vic
Set Up	Mark	Vic	Ben
	Vic	Ben	James N
Greeter	Ben	James N	Bill P
Close down	James N	Bill P	Susan
	Bill P	Susan	Yvonne
Sergeant	John	Rob	Greg

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS: 31
VISITING ROTARIANS: 0
GUESTS: 2

PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS
ATTENDED: 54 %

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.



ROTARY PEACE FELLOWSHIP HOST COUNSELLORS

The Presidents Patter continued...

If all students in low-income countries left school with basic reading skills, 171 million people could be lifted out of poverty, which would be equivalent to a 12% cut in world poverty
58 million children worldwide are out of school and 781 million adults are illiterate

Rotarians around the world support schools and literacy programs for those in developing countries or under-privileged communities. High-Rise members can take pride in their support for 420 Tanzanian children currently enrolled in the Mamba School. These and future students will directly benefit from an enhanced education in a well-equipped school. We are lifting this group of children out of poverty by giving the ability to sustain a decent life through gainful employment and the tools to choose their own future. That is powerful stuff; the ripple effect will be enormous from these 420 children in Arusha plus the students from the School of St Jude we support. We are making a difference.

Rosemary

WHAT THE ARCHITECT OF THE ROTARY FOUNDATION HAD TO SAY:

“The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the full meaning of the spirit of Rotary . . . we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity.” Arch C. Klumph, President of Rotary International, 1916-1917

Rotary Peace Fellowship is a competitive program that selects a maximum of 50 students in any year to pursue a master’s degree in conflict resolution, peace studies, international relations, and related areas at one of the Rotary Peace Centres. In South East Queensland we are privileged to have a group of Rotary Peace Fellows studying at University of Queensland

Position Description

After being selected as a Counselor a training meeting with other chosen counselors is held in Brisbane, where you can speak to and listen to Rotarians who have previously served as a counselor. It is a rewarding experience where you meet young professionals (average age 27- 34 years) who come from various backgrounds for example – Lawyers, Social Workers, Journalists, Marketing, International Security ,Working in Third World countries with refugees, micro credit, and supporting Women and children in various programs

Rotary Peace Fellows are not Youth Exchanges, they are independent adults who often have amazing backgrounds

Once you have been allocated a Rotary Peace Fellow;

- correspond with them by email, providing information about Brisbane, yourself and family .
- Invite them to stay with you until suitable accommodation is found
- In assisting with accommodation be aware of their budget requirements
- Give them as many websites about Brisbane, most importantly accommodation and suburbs of Brisbane near to the university or bus routes. Lectures for Peace Fellows usually commence around 5.30pm to 8 00 pm or 9.00 pm
- You will need to know their date of arrival , flight and arrival time
- Meet the student when they arrive in Brisbane ,assist them to orientate to Brisbane
- Take them to the University Peace Centre, assist in opening a bank account (A scholarship payment would have been forwarded to them)
- Invite them to your Rotary Club Meetings particularly for special occasions

Filling the role of a Rotary Peace Fellow Counselor is truly a rewarding experience and you develop friendships which continue over the years.

If you are interested in being a Rotary Peace Fellow Counsellor please contact Leslie at

leslie@geminiaccounting.com.au

Last weeks Guest Speaker



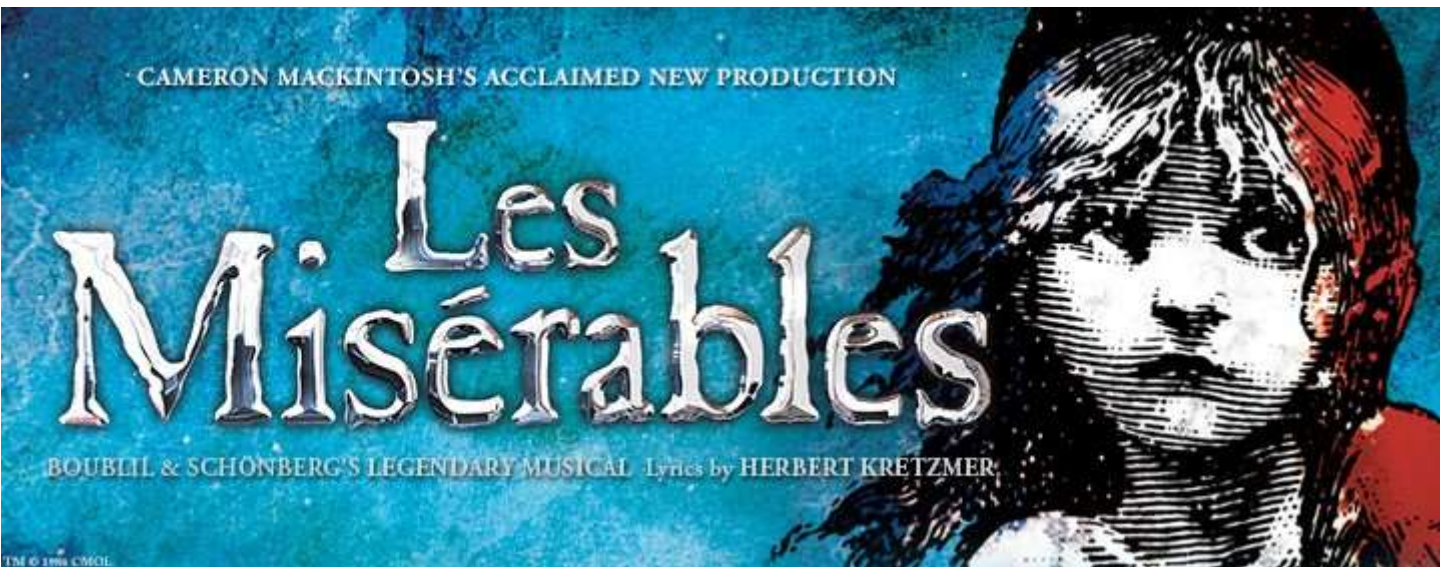
Frank's Fan club at the Redlands sinfonia concert



Post concert debriefing



David Curnow with Barb and Rosemary



Lyric Theatre, 6.30pm Tuesday 24 Nov 2015
Theatre Tickets \$110 – Reserved Parking \$21

LES MISERABLES IN BRISBANE

A NEW PRODUCTION BY CAMERON MACKINTOSH

Set against the backdrop of 19th-century France, *Les Mis* is an unforgettable story of heartbreak, passion, and the resilience of the human spirit that has become one of the most popular musicals in history.

Featuring the timeless score and beloved songs such as *I Dreamed a Dream*, *On My Own*, *Bring Him Home*, and *One Day More*, *Les Mis* has been seen by over 70 million people, won over 100 awards and is still breaking box office records around the world.

Not to be missed.

See Phil B to book your tickets

Marie's Montage



Had another great week. Friday night I went to QPAC with school friends to see a concert - Songs of Hope and Healing with Lior. The concert was a benefit for HEAL, which is a charity for young refugees.

Saturday I caught up with friends who are also exchange students in the Queen Street Mall. We did some shopping and I got a great bargain on a pair of shorts. I then went home to learn all about Aussie sleepovers. Wall to wall mattresses and 14 year old girls everywhere. So much singing, laughing, crying, yelling and no sleeping. Not sure why they are called sleepovers? Sunday caught up with other Rotary members at the Brisbane Jazz Club where I enjoyed some great music and learnt what a Bloody Mary was. Not sure how Angela watched the show through this "tree" of celery!!!

Mavis and Ros on an adventure



Toughing it out in Parma and the Ferrari museum

Eddie's Epilogue

Mum and dad took me for a hair cut this week. I sat very still while the hairdresser trimmed my curls. It did help that I had a copy of Cars to watch.

PS – Happy Fathers Day Dadda. You're my favourite too xoxo



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