Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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District 9600

Serving the Heart of Brisbane

4 June 2015

LINDSAY'S LINES

Congratulations to everyone involved in setting up the Art Spectacular last week, especially the committee who have been working tirelessly for over 12 months. A new venue, new format, new curator and new time of the year brought challenges for the committee but the opening night last Thursday was an outstanding success and the art and display "spectacular". Sales are progressing well so hopefully by the end of the week we will hit our targets. Don't forget to drop in or tell friends.

One thing I do like about this project is the 3 Rotary Clubs from 2 Districts working together. I was again reminded of the benefits of collaboration after a monthly meeting with Presidents of the CBD precinct Rotary and Rotaract clubs and the power of significant projects of The Rotary Foundation eg Polio Now.

The news last week of the closure at the end of June of the Brisbane Polo Club came was very sad news indeed. Being the only meeting venue our club has known since Charter in 1993, we have been extremely fortunate to have such stability for the last 22 years in amazing surroundings with fantastic staff and service.

As mentioned in my email last week, your club's Board are actively reviewing alternatives and very open to suggestion and/or comments. However, I only have to think of the places ShelterBox have been called to serve or the homeless and troubled folk that the Salvos Red Shield Appeal last weekend will help or the staff of the Brisbane Polo Club that will no longer have a job to realise that, in the scheme of life, this should only be a slight hiccup.

To me, our club and Rotary provides an opportunity to assist others coupled with professional networks and marvellous fellowship with a broad range of people that, without Rotary, I would never had the privilege to know and call friends. This will continue no matter where we meet.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

This week we toast **Copenhagen**. The Capital of Denmark Emilie's homeland. The first Rotary Exchange was initiated by the Rotary Club of Copenhagen in 1929.

GUEST SPEAKERS

Date	Name	Topic
4 June	Emilie Damo	My Exchange Year
11 June	Cr Vicki Howard	Council Links with Rotary
18 June	James Goodman	Our Plan
25 June	Andrew Vincent	Move or Die Early
2 July	Lindsay Marshall	It's a Wrap

ROSTER	4 June	11 June	18 June
Chair	Steve F	Diana	James
Set Up	Diana	James	John K
	James	John K	Steve K
Close down	John K	Steve K	Deb
	Steve K	Deb LG	Barbara
Sergeant	Rob	Wendy	John

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS:29
VISITING ROTARIANS:0
GUESTS:6

PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS ATTENDED:47%

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
6 June **8.00 – 11.30am**	**Donations in Kind** (loading shipping containers)	152 Freeman Road, Durack See John Lee for details
14 June **9.00am – 12.30pm**	**Fun Run - City2South** (marshalling duties)	Musgrave Park, South Brisbane See John Lee to Volunteer The Club is paid about $25 / volunteer
27 June **6.00 for 7.00pm**	**District Change Over**	Kedron Wavell Services Club Kittyhawk Dr, Chermside
10 July – TBC	**Tentative Change over date**	To be advised

36th BRISBANE ROTARY ART SPECTACULAR

Don't forget to Collect your Art on Friday 5 June

Even if you can't get to the show
You can still buy art
Just click on
http://lethbridgegallery.com/rotary.php

On the right Zoe Knight – Asst Curator

Dynamic Duo – Bill Lindsay and Grizzly
Art Show veterans

Please email contributions for Hot Air to Highrisehotair@gmail.com

Thank you to everyone who has helped to make the Art Show a Success

Thank you and farewell from RI President

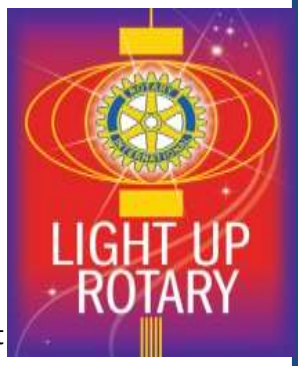
When I began this Rotary year as your president, I wanted us, above all, to *Light Up Rotary*. I wanted us to share with the world how many wonderful friendships and experiences we have found in Rotary, and how Rotary has transformed and enriched our lives. I knew that by telling others about Rotary, we would increase membership, build stronger clubs, and improve our ability to help people in need. As we end this 2014-15 Rotary year, I am honored by your response and will always be grateful for how you have risen to this challenge. You have answered my call to Light Up Rotary by holding many successful Rotary Day celebrations in your communities; you have outdone yourselves in your contributions to our Rotary Foundation; and you have moved all of Rotary forward with new members and new clubs.

When I chose my theme for my year as president, I was inspired by the words of Confucius, who said, "It is better to light a single candle than to sit and curse the darkness."

This year, more than 1.2 million Rotarians, along with Interactors, Rotaractors, Rotary Youth Exchange participants, and Rotary Peace Fellows, have lit their own candles in tens of thousands of communities. Together, the lights we have kindled have created a great light that shines for all the world to see.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve as your president this year, and for the hard work and dedication of our volunteer leadership and our staff members. I came to them with high expectations – and they delivered.

I also am grateful for the many friends I have made during this Rotary year, and for the wonderful visits I've had to so many places. I will always remember, with great fondness, riding on the Rotary float in the Rose Parade, watching children enjoy the Japanese drummers at the Rotary Day open house at RI headquarters in Evanston, and bicycling through the night in Colombo during the Ride to Light Up Rotary event, celebrating a polio-free Sri Lanka.



I have seen a new energy in Rotary this year, and felt a new excitement. We've seen more and more women and young people join Rotary as well – including my wife, Corinna, and our three children. I hope that in the year to come, you will continue your wonderful work to *Light Up Rotary* – and to help it *Be a Gift to the World*.

Gary C K Huang
President 2014 – 15

Ron Mullin's last day at work
Looking Happy!!!