Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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HOT AIR

District 9600

Serving the Heart of Brisbane

17 May 2012

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT – Bill's Blurb

One of the good things about the last year for me has been the encouragement/opportunity to attend Rotary functions outside our Club. This includes attending meetings of other Clubs. And so it was that I attended the dinner meeting of the Rotary Club of Mt Isa during my recent visit to the city.

This was a most enjoyable occasion; the members were welcoming and hospitable and the food was just about the best I have had at a Rotary meeting anywhere. This club runs some interesting projects in keeping with the nature of the community they serve e.g. the drovers festival in Camooweal; they had a meeting there recently which finished in minus 17 minutes. What they did was start the meeting on the QLD side of the border and finished it on the NT side so gaining half an hour. Took me a while to work that one out.

Of great interest to me was their major project of the year; it is the Mt Isa Rodeo. The Club has run this event for 53 years; it turns over about $1m and the prize money is the best offered by any rodeo anywhere in the world. That includes the Calgary Stampede. Not bad! As a consequence the rodeo gains global exposure which in turn means so does Rotary.

To run the event the club employs a full time manager and a part time assistant. The expected profit each year is $150K.

Associated with the rodeo is an art union also run by the club. There are 2,200 tickets sold at $100 each. All tickets are normally sold well in advance of the draw; the first prize is a Toyota landcruiser and second is a camry or something similar. (It made me think of the struggle we have to sell our trifecta tickets at $2 each.)

The Mt Isa Club has about 25 members of which maybe one third are women. For such few numbers they sure have an impact on their community and beyond. They have a bit of an impact on each other too if the Sergeant's session is anything to go by. They don't miss anyone including visiting Rotarians!

There is a good spirit in the club if my experience is anything to go by. Their meetings are more formal than the way we run ours but there seems to be still a strong sense of fun. Isn't that just so important?

Well its back to normal this week; for me anyway. I was pleased to hear that the joker draw did not go off while I was absent. I want to be there for the excitement. This is an appropriate time to thank Karen for organising this important little fund raiser. She has been doing that for years. And it is very much appreciated.

ROSTER	17 May	24 May	31 May	07 June	14 June	21 June	28 June	05 July
CHAIRMAN	Elena G	Ross H	John Ker		Steve K	Bill K	Mark L	Deb L
SET UP	Ross H John K	John Ker Steve K	Steve K Bill K	**MAKE UP TABLE POLO CLUB**	Bill K Mark L	Mark L Deb L	Deb L Barbara L	Barbara L John L
CLOSE DOWN	Steve K Bill K	Bill K Mark L	Mark L Deb L		Deb L Barbara L	Barbara L John L	John L Frank L	Frank L Elizabeth L
SERGEANT	Russell	Barbara	Greg		Rob	Kit	Lindsay	Russell

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

We toast Cannes – Mandelieu, France – District 1730. The reason for this Toast – well that is obvious……I will send photos.

GUEST SPEAKERS

10 May	**Ellie Deeb**	Ellie was our High-Rise student representative at NYSF this year – let's hear her impressions of the experience
17 May	**Zoe Knight**	Zoe is a fine art student at QUT and was assistant art curator for the Art Show. She'll tell us what it takes to be an art curator.
24 May	**Healthy Waterways**	
31 May	**Fellowship**	Here's a morning to catch up with members of the Club – who is doing, what, when and how…and maybe why? To give it a bit of flavour we'll have some trivia questions.

ATTENDANCE – 10 May 2012

MEMBERS	31	GUESTS	-	VISITING ROTARIANS	6	ATTENDANCE	39%

PAYPAL

PREPAY FOR MEETINGS and SUBSCRIPTIONS ON THE WEB AT: http://rotarybrisbanehighrise.com/members.htm

APOLOGIES – GUESTS – MAKE UPS

APOLOGIES FROM MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS and MEMBERS BRINGING GUESTS PLEASE NOTIFY OUR CLUB BY 9am WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THAT THURSDAY'S BREAKFAST MEETING VIA EMAIL: **apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com**

MEMBERS NEEDING TO ADVISE OF MAKE UPS - PLEASE EMAIL: **make-ups@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com**

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

UPDATE – SERVICES COMMITTEE – See Ross G for details

Albert Park Flexi School	Saturday, October 30	Albert Park at Polo Club
Diabetes Walk for the Cure	Sunday, October 30, 2011	Assist Walk Coordination – Needing Marshalls
Clean up Australia Day	Sunday, March 04, 2012	Clean Up Environment - Kangaroo Point
Boundary St Boarding House & Bric	All Year and March 1, 2012	Goods, toiletries, Starter Kits (toaster, jug, sheets, etc.), etc.
Red Shield Appal	Saturday 19 May, 2012	Counting house helpers
	Sunday 20 May, 2012	Collectors, drivers, counting house helpers
Shelter Box	As needed	Serviette Funds when Needed
Melbourne Cup - School	November	Raffle for African Projects
Homeless Connect	As needed	"Knickers Day" (Club)/ "Knickers Week" (Public)
Homeless of Brisbane	As needed	Donated Trailer for Outdoor Camping & Fishing
Smith Family	As needed	As needed
Donations In Kind	Saturday 3 December, 2012	Mentoring - address to Club
Wesley Women's Shelters	December, 2011	Provide Christmas presents

PROJECTS 2011-2012 – Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

Local	**Albert Park Flexi School** – This is an ongoing project through the year that will include bursaries and repair to the site.
	BRIC Housing – This year we will collect for specific items needed, such as kettles, toasters, microwaves.
International	**Mamba Primary School** – We are running the Trifector again this year with the funds going towards another project for the children and area in Tanzania. The tickets are ordered and on there way to us – so selling caps on!
	Food for Thought – This project will be linked with Micro Banking opportunities and we expect to have up and running in 2012.
	Rotary Foundation – We encourage each Member to donate $100 towards promoting our local causes.
	ROMAC – We will continue to identify key activities and fundraising that will make a difference.
	St Judes – We will again be working closely with Gemma finding ways to contribute both time and donation.
Youth	**NYSF 2012** - Yr 12 science students - Club Attendee, Ellie, Cannon Hill Anglican College – 1 of 27 selected
	Science Experience - Yr 10 - January 2012. Applications close October 2011
	RYLA 2012 18-26 yo tall ships leadership voyage - April 2012. Applications close March 2012
	International Youth Exchange Program 2013 post Yr 12 - Applications close March 2012
Emergency	**Shelter Boxes** – We will maintain our Serviette Appeal approach and collection at times of need.
Events	**Art Spectacular** – Our involvement will continue in 2012 with beneficiaries of Cerebral Palsy and ROMAC
	Walk for the Cure – October again and we support the walk through marshalling, attendant roles and as collectors.
	Homeless Connect – We will choose a specific item to collect for – Ross has one in mind.
	Red Shield Appeal – Bryce will sort us out for the next appeal, now in 2012.
	Grey Man Foundation – We are still looking at what we can do to assist this organisation – under Kit's guidance.
General	**Updating the Website – Working on our Facebook Presence - Twitter – Hot Air – Membership Program**

NOTICEBOARD + CALLS TO ACTION FOR HIGH-RISERS

TOWARDS A *HEALTHIER* AUSTRALIA — MARCH 2012

Australian Rotary Health

D 9600

18th May, 2012

Hat Day for Mental Health Research

Dear fellow Rotarian,

Australian Rotary Health is once again running its mental health research awareness day and I'm writing to you all individually to make you aware of Hat Day, and to ask you to join in, both in your club and in your workplace.

Have a Hat Day at work. There are lots of themes you could take, but the aim is to collect money and have a good time doing it.

Get your staff and workmates involved, and get Mental Health on the improve.

Last year was the first time we ran it, and it was a very, very successful day. However the main thrust came from Clubs and their members.

We want to make this a national day, involving everyone, and yes we do need funds. Like all groups, we have been hit by the GFC and need resources to keep up our research programs.

So get your workmates involved. If you're not working, get into the clubs and other groups you associate with. The wider we spread this message, the better the chances of making the lives of so many so much better.

Thanks for all you have been doing for Rotary. It is very much appreciated.

Keep well,

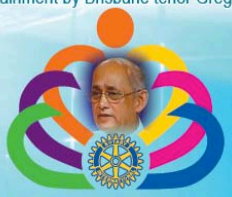
Russ

We are honoured to announce that Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee and Binota will visit District 9600.
There will be a civic reception in the form of a dinner on Thursday 24th May.
This will be an evening to remember, the opportunity to enjoy the wonderful voice of tenor, Gregory Moore and be inspired by our Rotary President Kalyan Banerjee.

District Governors Carolyn Krueger, D9600; Debbie James, D9630; and Graham Jones, D9640 invite you to

An Evening with RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Binota

with entertainment by Brisbane tenor Gregory Moore



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

Legends Room - The Gabba, 411 Vulture Street, Woolongabba
Thursday 24th May 2012 - 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Tickets - $85.00 pp
Includes 3 course dinner, wine & juice on tables.
Cash Bar

Dress - evening wear
Rotary awards & decorations to be worn

Ticket sales close 12th May. Seating is definitely limited, please book early to avoid disappointment
ericwood@bigpond.com or 0418 789951

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND DINNER

Conference details are –

Date:	**Weekend 26-27 May 2012**
Time:	**From 11.45 am Sat 26 May**
Location:	**Australian Army Malaria Institute** **Weary Dunlop Drive** **Gallipoli Barracks** **ENOGGERA QLD.**

Advise attendance to:
Ian Sayers
Email: isa34235@bigpond.net.au
Phone: 02 6254 0130

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RED SHIELD APPEAL

SATURDAY 19 & SUNDAY 20 MAY

Please let me know if you can assist and in what capacity. I will complete and circulate a roster.
Rotary Club's involvement
As you know we need:-
Staff for the Counting House,
Drivers to ferry around Collectors - this year we anticipate obtaining Collectors from Grammar and UQ Collectors

AN ATTENDENCE LIST WILL BE PAST AROUND IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS

BOUNDARY STREET

BUY A STARTER KIT/S $50ea !
The easiest way for our Members to help Residents is to donate $50/kit - which purchases a great base starter kit.
Talk to Margo B – who can organise your donation and receipt.
PUT TOGETHER A KIT !

If you would prefer to put a kit or kits together yourself these are the items a single resident needs to kick them off and new if possible:
- Single sheet set+Pillow case - Saucepan - Towels - Tea towel - Cutlery – Crockery
ELECTRICAL GOODS

Also starter kit donations for boarders:
- toasters - jugs - irons - etc.
NB: ALL electrical goods must be new.
PAYMENT CAN BE MADE AT THE DESK NOW

SUNSHINE COAST/NORTH BRISBANE BOWELSCAN PROGRAM 2012

A project of Rotary District 9600
The program needs more support from Clubs in the North Brisbane part of District 9600

Rotarians around Australia, ranging from Tasmania to Western Australia, and north to Townsville and next year Darwin, have for over twenty years taken action to raise awareness about bowel cancer in the community. 2011 was the seventh year the program has operated within District 9600.
Clubs interested in participating in the program in 2012 should contact:
The District Coordinator, Peter Fisk, on:
Email: fiskj777@westnet.com.au

Rotary Success Conference

21st-22nd July 2012 in Canberra
RI Director Stuart Heal and RI Director Elect John Boag are the Convenors of the Rotary Success Conference to be held in Canberra on the weekend of July 21st-22nd. Noel Trevaskis is the Coordinator for the conference and Bob Greeney is Chairman of the organising committee.

The Rotary Success conference will be about helping Rotary Clubs to be bigger, bolder, strong successful clubs. Some of the topics that will be discussed are membership recruitment, membership retention, PR & Media, membership diversity, leadership, Club visioning, Rotary Foundation Future Vision. It will be a conference where all Rotarians will gain knowledge and ideas from the weekend; it will be about "Rotary Success". For more information email
greeneyb@iimetro.com.au

CLASS IX ROTARY PEACE FELLOWS
Cordially invite you to their 2012 Seminar

PEACEtalks

PEACE IN PRACTICE

Saturday 19 May 2012
9 - 4.30pm (registration from 8.30am)

Sir Llew Edwards Building (14)
The University of QueenslandSt Lucia Campus
click to see map

Free entry , morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea
Free car parking available on campus

RSVP Marian Ophof by May 11 2012, please include details of any dietary requirements
email: m.ophof@uq.edu.au tel: 07 33469544

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DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

From: District Governor Elect DAI MASON
District Assembly is for all Club Officers, Directors and Rotarians in District 9600
ALL CLUBS NEED TO ATTEND
SUNDAY 27 MAY 2012
8.15am for 8:45am start to 1.00pm
St COLUMBAN'S COLLEGE
McKean Street, CABOOLTURE
(UBD Map 48 grid F 17)
NO COST TO ATTENDEES
PLEASE SUBMIT REGISTRATION ON THE ATTACHED FORM TO TONY FREEMAN BY FRIDAY 18th MAY 2012
Enquiries to Tony Freeman:
freemanmarketing@bigpond.com
0412 373 381

TWO DATES TO REMEMBER FOR HIGH-RISERS

COMBINED DINNER OF
Hamilton, Brisbane High-Rise & Stones Corner
To present monies to Cerebral Palsy and Romac from the Brisbane Art Spectacular
Tuesday - 5 June - 5.45pm for 6.15pm
Hamilton meeting place is Royal Queensland Golf Club, Curtin Avenue West, Eagle Farm.
Plenty of parking available.
A MAKE-UP TABLE WILL BE AT POLO CLUB ON 7th

BRISBANE HIGH-RISE
CHANGE OVER DINNER 2012
6 July, Friday, 6.30pm
Southbank Institute of Technology restaurant.
Confirm attendance closer to the date.

DIK – UPDATE RAWCS-Northern Region - June '12

This update will confirm that it is business as usual for DIK from Brisbane where **37 containers were sent from the Brisbane store** in the past twelve months. To show the goods dispatched is just a list of figures, but to say that on one Saturday morning **300 school desks were packed** at least identifies that **10 classes of 30 children now have desks to sit at.**

ROTARY FOUNDATION – UPDATE

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Peace. — "I believe mankind is now on a new brink, not the brink of war but the brink of peace. … Now is the time for our generation to build from the multitude of conflicting desires and persistent national and economic rivalries a new relationship among peoples, one that frees the energies of nations and their people for the constructive endeavours that will create a better life for all." — *1977-78 RI President W. Jack Davis*

Clean water. Rotarians put 1,250 bio sand filters into homes in the Dominican Republic through a US$150,000 project sup-ported by a Rotary Foundation Grant. This undertaking was part of the Children's Safe Water Alliance, a project of District 4060 that helped bring 19,000 filters — and clean water — to 100,000 people in 300 communities in just seven years.

Water and sanitation. Every day, 5,000 children under age five die from unsafe water and poor sanitation and hygiene. Past RI President William B. Boyd says: — "It is true that water is life, and it is also sadly true that too many people have no ac-cess to clean, safe, drinkable water. Rotary has the expertise and the worldwide membership to save lives by providing pota-ble water on a large scale."

Humanitarian Grants. Your contribution to the Annual Programs Fund can literally be the bridge to a better life for people in need. In El Salvador, a US$17,600 Grant project built three bridges that improved the lives of approximately 2,500 people. The bridges increased agricultural trade, economic growth, and access to health care and education. An unexpected benefit: during excavation a high-quality water source was discovered which residents can now access — by crossing the bridge.

District News

In March The Rotary Foundation Trustees approved a one year pilot of the Project Enhancement Process (PEP) to begin on 1 July 2012. The purpose of PEP is to strategically utilise Rotary's volunteer and staff resources to sharpen Rotary's focus, enhance the technical quality of projects, support sound project design, make effective grants, and measure impact in the areas of focus. The pilot will concentrate on achieving these objectives within the water and sanitation area of focus.

As part of the pilot, we will identify ten Future Vision pilot districts to serve as PEP "host districts". Rotarians in thes e dis-tricts will have the opportunity to utilise the PEP resources during the 2012-13 Rotary Year.

While utilisation of these and other resources will not be required of host districts, the PEP pilot pre-sents a unique opportunity for participants to access financial and technical resources for enhanced project planning and sustained project results. In addition, utilisation of these resources is expected to decrease the amount of communication with TRF necessary prior to global grant approval, thereby creating a more efficient application process.

I am pleased to invite your district to participate as one of the ten host districts for the 2012-13 PEP pilot. The Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group (WASRAG) has been identified as a key ally in piloting the PEP concept. Acceptance of this invitation to serve as a PEP host district will also grant permission to WASRAG to contact Rotarians in your district regarding PEP. We are finalising plans for several in-person and on-line train-ing sessions for PEP host districts, and will soon share with you detailed information. Please encourage representatives from your district attending the RI Convention in Bangkok to attend these PEP training opportunities. I also encourage you or your designees to visit the WASRAG booth in Bangkok to learn about the support and resources they can provide.

Thank you very much for your thoughtful consideration of this invitation. I am delighted to be a part of this exciting initiative and hope your district will participate.

Sincerely, John Hewko

General Secretary, Rotary International/The Rotary Foundation