

HOT AIR

District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
20 June 2013

ANGELA'S ANGLE

Well all good things must come to an end; this is my last Angela's Angle. Thanks for a great year. I believe we kept the momentum running on our key projects - Mamba School, Albert Park Flexi School, Street Level, Rotary Youth programs, Peace Fellowships and Aayan. It would have been wonderful to get Aayan out to Australia for the medical help she needs during the year however, I am sure with all our support, contacts and perseverance we will get there. We have also supported a number of local charities – Salvation Army, Cerebral Palsy League, Kids Help Line, Juvenile Diabetes, Noah's Ark and Boystown. In short, together we have made a difference.

Thank you to everyone who has made the year so enjoyable and productive. I look forward to supporting Wendy in her leadership role next year and continuing to help out wherever I can. THANK YOU

ROSTER	20 June	27 June	04 July	11 July	18 July	25 July	01 August	08 August
CHAIRMAN		Kym Mc	John A	Margot	Tim	Ken	Jackie	Gordana
SET UP	NO MEETING	Gary Mc John Mc	Margot Tim	Tim Ken	Ken Jackie	Jackie Gordana	Gordana Neil	Neil Philip
CLOSE DOWN	CHANGEOVER DINNER	Rosemary M Mark M	Ken Jackie	Jackie Gordana	Gordana Neil	Neil Philip	Philip Jonathon	Jonathon Rod
SERGEANT		Russell	Caroline	Greg	Lindsay	Rob	Russell	Kit

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

We toast the Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois – District 6450. Home to Founder of Rotary International Paul Harris.

GUEST SPEAKERS

20 Jun No Meeting Changeover Dinner on 21st Friday at COTAH

ATTENDANCE 13/06

MEMBERS -	40
VISITING -	25
ROTARIANS	
GUESTS	
ATTENDING	68%

APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS

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

PayPal

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.



THIS WEEK'S BUDDY SHOT ! SEND YOUR'S IN!

- LESSON 1: A true Buddy is one who stands beside you...
- LESSON 2: A true Buddy is there when you need them...
- LESSON 3: A true Buddy is happy with the fellow Buddy taking a 'Selfie' of you in your French beret !



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL



Lisbon, here we come

More than 20,000 Rotarians have registered for the 2013 Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal, 23-26 June. Look here for news, photos, and video coverage. You can also follow the convention on Twitter at hashtag #ricon13.

The world as we see it

Photojournalist Carol Guzy, winner of four Pulitzer Prizes, served as judge for *The Rotarian's* 2013 photo contest. See the winner, runners-up, and a Web exclusive: editors' favorites.

Future Vision Plan wins Edison

Rotary's Future Vision Plan received a silver Edison Award for its innovative funding model at a gala dinner in Chicago on 25 April. The prestigious Edison awards honor excellence in new products, service development, design, and innovation. All Rotary districts will begin using the new grant model in July.

NOTICEBOARD + CALLS TO ACTION FOR HIGH-RISERS



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2013



<http://give.everydayhero.com/u/rRotary-high-rise-brisbane>
80434

The Bridge to Brisbane is September 1
BRISBANE HIGH-RISE has a
team entry

Rotary High-Rise Brisbane

You can join this team for \$36 as long
as the money is in before 8th June.

After at the price rises to \$40.

Please consider joining us for this great
cause this year.

We will be giving more information
regarding this on Thursday at the
meeting.

Any enquiries please contact
Denise S on 0407117610



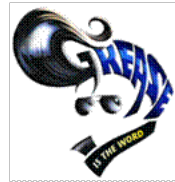
Sunday 28 July in the Roma St Parklands
**WE NEED YOU FOR THE
SAUSAGE SIZZLE !**

There will be 3 BBQs this year each to be
manned by 4 volunteers with a morning
shift from 9.15 am to 12.45 pm and an
afternoon shift from 12.30 pm to 4 pm.
**They also need assistance with the set
Saturday 27 July from 10 am to 2 pm**

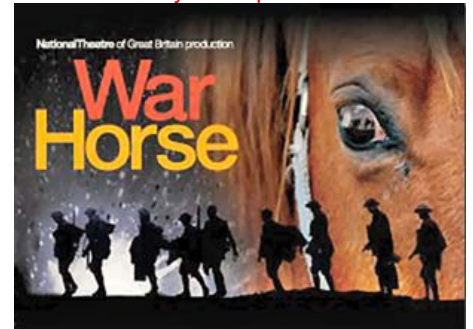
The "Picnic in the Park" is such a
wonderful happy occasion you will really
enjoy yourselves and they have some
lovely art & crafts for sale.

Kindly sign the roster sheet at our
meetings or email me your availability.
CONTACT: Margot

PHIL's THEATRE BOOKINGS !



Thursday 19 Sep at Lyric 7.30pm
VERY SPECIAL Club price \$70/ticket
Please email your requirements ASAP.



7.30 Lyric Theatre Thu 25 July 2013
\$107 - Parking \$21 - LAST CALL!!!!!!
We must do a final settlement soon.
Please let me know ASAP if you wish to order.
Please reply by email - PHIL

SUPPORT THE ROTARY FOUNDATION
COME JOIN US FOR A GREAT NIGHT
OUT AT
TWELFTH NIGHT THEATRE



Ian and Ben are in for some surprises at their father's birthday party.
He's worth \$100 million.
He's married an American beauty queen half his age.
There is no pre-nup...
With his trademark wit David Williamson delivers a gripping play with
his most memorable characters yet.
Watch out, because here comes the bride...

FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2013
TICKETS : \$55.00 PER PERSON
AVAILABLE FROM PDG ERIC WOOD,
CONTACT ON
0418 789951
or ericwood@bigpond.com

Tamborine Mountain "Cedar Creek Falls" Outing Sunday 23 June, 11.30am

Join us for a lovely Sunday outing at Cedar Creek
Falls, Tamborine Mountain! Bring along a picnic
for an early lunch before heading off to take in the
beautiful natural surroundings.

Walking options:

Cedar Creek Falls Lookout 500m return to lookout,
allow about 15 minutes, easy grade
Cedar Creek Falls Rock Pools 900m return from
lookout, allow about 30 minutes, moderate grade

Directions: (approx 45mins from Brisbane)

Heading up the mountain on Tamborine Mountain
Road from Tamborine Village, the turn-off to
"Cedar Creek Falls Road" is just past the
information map stopping bay on the left, on the
same sharp right bend as the turn-off to
"Thunderbird Park". We will be setting up in the
picnic area closest to the car park for ease of
access.

Questions or Register contact Caroline
Lias: carrieliass@live.com.au

Clothes needed for Dress for Success



Seeking clothes over the next few weeks –
please see Angela G angela.c.gill@gmail.com
Dress for Success is a global not-for-profit
organisation offering services designed to help
disadvantaged women, and now also men, find
jobs and remain employed. All clothes
(corporate, casual and formal attire) in good
condition are appreciated. However, in
particular strong demand are:
For women - Suits (jackets and trousers) in
smaller and larger sizes (6-8 / 16+) Shoes –
closed toes / Handbags – particularly black /
Unused makeup
For men - Shirts, trousers and suit jackets (all
sizes needed but especially sizes 2XL+) /
Shoes / Ties / Belts - particularly black

The St Vincent de Paul Society is dedicated to helping the homeless and on 20 June I will be sleeping rough in support of
stopping homelessness. I'll be one of the CEOs sleeping out but more significantly, I'll be joining over 100,000 Australians who sleep out
each and every night – 27% of the homeless are children they tell me! You can help me to rise to the challenge and combating homelessness
by leaving a donation at:

<https://www.ceosleepout.org.au/donate/online-donation/>

Remember 30 June is close so a good time for a donation (accountant speak!)

St Vincent de Paul is a charity that BDO proudly supports, and the CEO Sleepout is one of their biggest initiatives ever. Last year alone this
event raised \$850,000 in Queensland alone which directly assisted people experiencing homelessness through essential services and
programs across the state.

So if I seem a little stiff and sore at changeover on Friday night you will know why!! Thanks for your support. *Russell*

JOINT MEETING – Brisbane High-Rise – Hamilton – Stones Corner for the handing over of the cheques – Rotary Art Show 2013



Farewell to our Chantelle ...



A few in this shot with their eyes closed – we suspect too many sweets ...(chocolate!)



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF BRISBANE HIGH-RISE PROJECTS SUPPORT
LOCAL COMMUNITY, YOUTH, INTERNATIONAL AND
EMERGENCY RESPONSES**



rotary.org/en/EndPolio



rotaryyouthexchange.org.au



Albert Park Flexischool
07 3071 9010



Mamba Primary School
0418 780 663



bric
housing
bric.org.au



shelterboxaustralia.com.au



RYPEN
Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment
rotaryaustralia.org.au



ROMAC
Rotary
Oceania Medical
Aid for
Children
A Program of the Rotary Districts
of Australia and New Zealand
romac.org.au



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RYLA
Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

2012/13 BOARD

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Joker Draw - Caroline Lias

DATES TO REMEMBER

2014 International Assembly
12-18 January - San, Diego, USA
2014 International Convention
01-04 June - Sydney, Australia

**CALENDAR OF ROTARY
MONTHS**

JUNE - Rotary Fellowship

THE AYAN PRJECT – UPDATE from Noela Phillips and Dr John Arvier...



Members new to High-Rise may not be aware of a joint High-Rise and Mitchelton Rotary Club Project aimed at bringing a young 23 year old Somaliland woman to Australia for facial surgery. The journey to date has been long and frustrating at times, however, our resolve to achieve the initial goal has not wavered. We welcome your interest and provide the following summary.

Early in 2012, Dr John Arvier, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon and High Rise member, was alerted to the plight of **Ayan**, by Ken Parker, a member of Mitchelton club. Ken runs a medical insurance company, and knew John through his professional contact.

Ayan had unfortunately suffered a severe facial wound during the Somali civil war, when she was 2 years old at that time of this tragedy, which left her with a gaping hole in her face. Ayan approached Dr Edna Ismail, for assistance. Edna, the founder of the Edna Adan Hospital in Hargeisa, Somaliland, pleaded with the outside world to provide the complex medical assistance Ayan required. Ayan required the surgery in order to live a dignified life, free of shame and embarrassment, and associated eating difficulties. Edna did not possess the expertise or hospital facilities to assist Ayan in Hargeisa. An American family who had visited Edna's hospital undertook to fly Ayan anywhere in the world to receive the surgery she needed.

Unfortunately Ayan, at 22, is too old for ROMAC, which has a cut-off age of 15. Similarly, the general lawlessness in Somalia and Somaliland makes it extremely dangerous for Westerners to visit, effectively precluding any chance of Ayan having the corrective treatment in her own country. Accordingly, In early 2012, Brisbane High-Rise and Mitchelton Rotary Clubs committed to bring Ayan to Australia for the surgery. The Wesley Private Hospital (Brisbane) offered its facilities free of charge as did all medical specialists and ancillary staff. Minter Ellison (Immigration Lawyers), contributed their expertise pro bono to gather documentation to meet Australian Government Visa requirements. Our goal was for Ayan to be provided with a Medical Visa (similar to that issued to ROMAC patients) and Edna to accompany her, and to act as a friend/parent/medical companion, on a Visitor's Visa. Fund raising ensured that both Edna's and Ayan's costs would be covered for the duration of their stay in Brisbane. Edna offered to accompany Ayan to Brisbane and remain with her for two weeks during the critical pre and post surgery phases.

Sadly, both Ayan and Edna's Visa applications were refused (on two grounds for Ayan and one for Edna). Both were considered non-genuine visitors and in addition, Australia does not recognise Somali passports (Ayan). Edna travels on a Djibouti Passport. There was no right of appeal, however, we are now preparing a new application, including additional documentation.

This second Visa process is slowly moving forward, although it is not devoid of complications. Edna has recently forwarded additional documentation which *should* satisfy Australian Government Genuine Visitor requirements. Our Lawyers believe there will be greater scrutiny on Ayan and have outlined to Edna a number of documents required to maximise Ayan's chances of a Visa grant. Given that Somaliland was destroyed during the 11 year civil war, records if they did exist, were also destroyed. Simply, put authentic documentation is extremely limited.

When all documentation has been collated and ready for delivery to Nairobi, we may call on you to advocate for Ayan. No time frame is available as yet. With your continued support, our Project's goal will be achieved and Ayan's dream realized. Many thanks to those members who continually encourage the team with responses to the email updates. Please let John Arvier or myself know if you would like to be added to our support team and receive progress updates.

Noela Phillips - Email: nphil4@gmail.com