



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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HOT AIR

District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
24 November 2011



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT – Bill's Blurp...

Christmas is almost here. Where did the year go? I find myself saying that more regularly these days. Something to do with age no doubt? If not already, certainly in a couple of weeks, attention turns to family as it should at this time of year. With our kids spread far and wide it is particularly special when they come home to share the Christmas celebrations. It is something to look forward to and I enjoy it immensely; generally overindulging in food and drink and immersing myself in the love and laughter that comes with us all being together.

For many though Christmas does not mean so much; just another time with the same daily struggle to find food for the table or shelter for the night. The little cares and difficulties in our everyday lives disappear into nothing when compared to such people.

Giving is a big part of Christmas; far too much of this is commercialised of course. To my mind being able to give is the best gift of all; made even better if exercised and embraces those in need. Let's not forget them in our plans for Christmas. The more you have the more you can give. And that applies equally to a Rotary club. Which brings me to the subject of money and fund raising.

A couple of weeks ago I attended a Rotary Foundation seminar. There were some reservations about attending but in the end I was pleased that I did. There are two main components of the Rotary Foundation. There's the money raising and there's the spending on things like the Polio Plus campaign. The success of the former naturally determines the success in the latter.

I attended a session where ideas on fundraising were shared. The avenues to raise money appear limited by only two things; being the imagination and energy of Club members. Planetarium Club recently staged a "free breakfast" at the convention centre and raised \$71,000 for their women's refuge project. Now there's imagination at work. What a result!

Maleny Club staged a musical production earlier this year and raised \$20K. It was a whole of club, whole of year project. Again an imaginative project!

Where do we stand in the fund raising league ladder? About average I'd suggest. We are good donators and respond exceptionally well to crisis events. Let's not ever lose this.

Individually we are very generous; collectively as a Club however is where we have the power and potential. We have yet to really harness the former to reach out to the latter. It is a challenge every year.

What we need is an enduring project or concept that runs year in and year out and delivers on funds somewhere near our potential. If you have any ideas please let me know. We will crack it sometime. It just takes imagination; the energy will come naturally.

ROSTER	24 November	1 December	1 December	8 December	15 December	22 December	29 December	05 January
CHAIRMAN	Andrew W	Craig W	Chris W	John A	Margo B	Jackie B		
SET UP	Craig W	Chris W	John A	Margo B	Jackie B	Kit B	NO MEETING	JOINT MEETING
	Chris W	John A	Margo B	Jackie B	Kit B	Gordana B		WITH PLANETARIUM
CLOSE DOWN	John A	Margo B	Jackie B	Kit B	Gordana B	Deb Bond		
	Margo B	Jackie B	Kit B	Gordana B	Deb Bond	Phillip B		
SERGEANT	Rob	Russell	Russell	Greg	Greg	Wendy		

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

We toast The Rotary Club of Moroni (translates to *Heart of the fire*), in Comoros. District 9220. A group of small islands in the Indian Ocean.

GUEST SPEAKERS

24 November	Bruce Allen	A chance to hear all about Rotary Foundation from the Head of the Foundation in Australia
01 December	Sean Collier	Sean is an eighteen year old student of animation and will be talking and showing us how he goes about developing characters.
08 December	CLUB AGM	Our President – Bill Phillips and In-Coming President Angela Tillmans have the floor.
15 December	Christmas Party Breakfast	Foundation Committee is organising a special morning.
22 December	Fellowship	The final club meeting before Christmas

ATTENDANCE – 17 November 2011

MEMBERS	29	GUESTS	1	VISITING ROTARIANS	3	ATTENDANCE	53%
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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

FELLOWSHIP EVENTS – You need to put these straight in your diaries

DATE	STYLE	WHERE	WHO	WHEN AND WHAT
Sat 26 Nov	Party	Barbados 45th Year Independence Celebrations - Davis Park, West End		Tickets available from Wendy via Michelle from Polo Club
Sat 10 Dec	Party	CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY – Sassafra – 88 Latrobe Terrace, Paddington Bread & dips on arrival - Honey, seeded mustard & orange glazed ham; Roasted turkey, pork, walnut & sage stuffing with cranberry sauce - Warm sourdough rolls & butter - Roasted herbed chat potatoes; Roasted vegetables - 2 salads of the day - Warm chocolate mocha cake with double cream - Cost: \$50 p/p and BYO	Wendy P Rob O	7pm Start Maximum is 55 and we have 32 so far – so book in
28 Jan 2012	Movie	MOVIE NIGHT – Christine has something planned	Christine	

DATE CLAIMERS

Sunday – 27 Nov - 1830	STORM THE STAGE – NATIONAL GRAND FINAL - Eighteen of the best young performers from around Australia live on stage! And, by special invitation two guest performers from Christchurch New Zealand and the esteemed National Academy of Singing and Dramatic Art (NASDA) will join their Australian peers! This is an all ages event - Storm The Stage at the Brisbane Powerhouse 119 Lamington Terrace New Farm - Cost \$37pp / \$29pensioners / \$28 Students. Tickets can be purchased via The Powerhouse.
LAST CHANCE	
Saturday - 03 Dec	DIK DAY FOR HIGH-RISE - We are scheduled for 8am till about 10am on Sat 3rd December at 152 Freeman rd., Durack. We will join the Clubs of Sandgate, Cleveland and Ipswich North on the day.
Thursday – 15 Dec	ROTARY HIGH-RISE CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST FOR THE KIDS !!!! There will be a Santa and 'Secret Santa' and activities. So bring the children because this breakfast will be FUN, please let Jennifer E know the names and ages of any of the children.
Saturday – 11 Feb 2012	ANNIVERSARY 50 YEARS IN ROTARY - One of the members of Rotary Club on Nundah - Lloyd Mackay will have served Rotary for 50 years next February, 2012. The Kedron Wavell Services Club the Club will be hosting a Dinner for Lloyd. All Rotarians are invited and invitation forthcoming.

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 Trifactor 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.
Youth	St Judes – We will again be working closely with Gemma finding ways to contribute both time and donation. 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 Events	Shelter Boxes – We will maintain our Serviette Appeal approach and collection at times of need. Art Spectacular – Our involvement will continue in 2012 with the tender process underway out for new Beneficiaries. 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.
General	Grey Man Foundation – We are still looking at what we can do to assist this organisation – under Kit's guidance. Updating the Website – Working on our Facebook Presence - Twitter – Hot Air – Membership Program

UPDATE – SERVICES COMMITTEE – See Ross Garling for details

Albert Park Flexi School	Thursday, March 22, 2012	Albert Park at Polo Club
	Nov 2011	Garden
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	Goods, toiletries, etc
Red Shield Appal	May	Starter Kits (toaster, jug, sheets, etc)
Shelter Box	As needed	Serviette Funds when Needed
Melbourne Cup - School	November	Raffle for African Projects
Homeless Connect	April	"Knicker's Day" (Club)/ "Knicker's Week" (Public)
Homeless of Brisbane	As needed	
Smith Family	As needed	As needed
Donations In Kind	TBA	Mentoring - address to Club

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!!!!

**EARLY REGISTRATION
CLOSING ON 1st DECEMBER**



Convention Registration

Register early now to receive the best rates and accommodations, and come the Land of a Thousand Smiles. Find out more about Bangkok ! Download the convention logo's and watch the 2012 RI Convention promotional video. To attend the convention and experience the fellowship of Rotary at an international level

- Register for the convention and ticketed events
- Reserve your hotel
- Purchase host event tickets

Check the preliminary schedule to help plan your trip.

<http://www.rotaryconvention2012.com/#Start>

Invitation

Club Officers, Members and Guests are invited to attend the annual
COMBINED SERVICE CLUBS DINNER

**Tuesday 10th January, 2012.
Kedron Wavell Services Club,
Kittyhawk Drive, Chermside 4032
6 pm for 6.30 pm start.**

Cost: \$38.00 per person

(Entry by ticket)

2 course dinner with coffee/tea/Raffles.

RSVP: 10 December - registration and pre-payment to
Quota International of Nundah-Clayfield Inc.

c/- PO Box 23,

SANDGATE QLD 4017

Bsb: 064106 ACC: 00900435



Hat Day Newsletter - November 2011

PLANS FOR HAT DAY 2012

shelter BOX INTERACTIVE BREAKFAST

Meet Shelter Box Response Team Members (SRTs).
Come along, learn and have some fun.
You can even try your hand at setting up a Shelter Box.

November 24th @ 7 am – 8.30 am
Shelterbox & Rotarians have helped
1 million people in 150 disasters Worldwide
Now: Thai Floods, Turkey Earthquake, Africa
Drought

Venue: 23 Hillcrest Place, Kenmore Hills.
Cost: Breakfast \$20



Please invite friends and fellow Rotarians.
Bring a folding chair, dress casually, flat shoes and a hat.

ALL MONIES RAISED WILL GO TO SHELTERBOX
RSVP Claire Petersen 3378 8892 or 0415 862 112
Rotarians you can use this as a vocational visit or a
makeup.

An initiative of The Rotary Club of Brisbane
Planetarium

CHRISTMAS GIFTS NEEDED – WESLEY APPEAL – FOR KOOLKUNA AND KAIPARIN WOMEN'S REFUGE - Jackie B

A reminder that we will again support Wesley's appeal. A basket will be available at the first 2 Rotary meetings in December (1 & 8 December).
Gifts such as: - gifts for adolescents (male and female) as this group is often overlooked, suggestions given are coles/target/kmart vouchers where the Refuge will go out and purchase suitable gifts for individuals.

- food for hampers
- Christmas decorations
- general kitchen items.

These gifts may be left in the basket (unwrapped) and will be delivered to Wesley on 12 December 2011. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated - Rotary making a little difference in troubled times.

SNAPS FROM OUR MEETING ON THURSDAY 17 NOVEMBER – GUESTS, MEMBERS AND NEW EST MEMBER



OUR LATEST INDUCTEE – CAROLINE STEWART



TRAVEL ALBUM – THE BILL AND ELENOR ROAD TRIP...THIS TIME CANADA !

Latest photo from our visit to Canada. This is taken at Lake Louise - most people have seen this scene in summer of the blue-green lake and snow covered mountains. Its winter (almost) now and the lake is frozen over. Temperature today was minus 15. Also another photo in the Rockies on the road into Lake Louise

