



# Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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## HOT AIR



District 9600  
Serving the Heart of Brisbane  
12 December 2013



### WENDY'S WISDOM (5 December)

Oh the joy of international flights for Australians. It seems that wherever we travel we'll come home sleep deprived, well those of us who travel economy class will.

At a younger age I used to close my eyes and wake up refreshed, wherever we arrived. Now I get on the plane – even for a domestic trip as close as Sydney – close my eyes and have a quick catnap. The problem is that I then wake up fifteen minutes later, bright as a button and stay awake.

I'm reading lots of papers on how to stay in a relaxed state but unfortunately I've started to enjoy the overnight travel gives to observe behaviour:

- The frequent travellers who drop off to sleep,
- The first time travellers who chat to anyone,
- Those who watch movies and get embarrassed when they laugh out loud,
- Those who do crosswords, and
- Those who read.

I enjoy a good thriller and I read it in the old fashioned book form. I tried the iPad but have decided I quite like the friendliness of the traditional book and I can't stand being told to turn off my electronic equipment because we're landing...just as I'm about to identify the killer.

Then there's always the decision to be made about what to wear. Needs to be comfortable, needs to be non-smelly, needs to be warm – but not too warm, needs to be presentable when you alight. Some travellers do it so well.

I intend to arrive home fresh, relaxed, bright as a button, full of new ideas and at a pace when I'll be able to pass on everything that I've learned. But just in case the bags are still heavy under the eyes when we meet do me a favour and pretend you don't notice.

I heard a quote from John Cleese today – said that from his home in the UK the only thing wrong about Australia was that we're further away than some planets.

ROSTER	12 December	19 December	26 December	2 January	9 January	16 January	23 January
CHAIRMAN	Frank	Kym			John McG	Rosemary	Mark M
SET UP	Kym	John McG	NO MEETING Boxing Day	NO MEETING	Rosemary	Mark M	Christine
	John McG	Rosemary			Mark M	Christine	Vic
CLOSE DOWN	Rosemary	Mark M			Christine	Vic	Ron
	Mark M	Christine M			Vic	Ron	Roslyn
SERGEANT	Lindsay	Greg			Kit	Rob	Russell

### INTERNATIONAL TOAST

We toast the Rotary Club of North Pole, Alaska.

### GUEST SPEAKERS

12 December	CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY	Christmas celebration
19 December	AGM	Official business – to conclude the Rotary year
09 January	COMBINED MEETING	Joint meeting with Planetarium

### 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.co  
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.*

Waitangi Day Thursday 6 February 2014  
Lunch Queensland Cricketers' Club - Main Viewing Room

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## SHELTERBOX - SERVIETTE APPEAL

Typhoon Haiyan rocked the Philippines and shocked the world, killing an estimated 5,600 and leaving millions to rebuild their homes and lives. But, one month on, ShelterBox was able to commit enough aid for 6,432 families, and is the only shelter agency to have reached some remote islands. For those of our High Rise members who have kindly made pledges via the serviette appeal, visit our Club website for details on how you can make your payment:  
<http://rotarybrisbanehighrise.com/donate.htm>

## Pride of Workmanship Award Gary Appleton



## HAVE YOU SEEN ME?



My dog (his name is Olaf) is lost. He is also off his medication, which he needs to decrease his hostility.

If you see Olaf, **don't** make eye contact –  
HE WILL LITERALLY ATTEMPT TO RIP YOUR FACE OFF

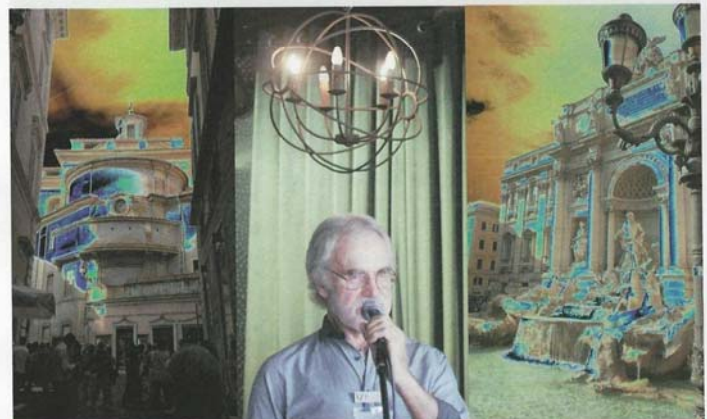


### Your Invitation to Access Arts Italian Christmas Fundraising Event

5:00pm Wednesday 11 December 2013  
Mr Rush Espresso Bar, 1/24 Macquarie St, Teneriffe QLD 4005

Featuring Pete and Andy Vance - music to touch the soul and stir the spirit  
Rome 2013 Photographic Exhibition by Susan Ball ([www.artofgivingsusanball.com](http://www.artofgivingsusanball.com))  
and Access Arts Artists

*Light refreshments with an Italian twist, raffles, door prizes and more!*



RSVP to [info@accessarts.org.au](mailto:info@accessarts.org.au) by Friday 6 December

Proceeds donated to Access Arts

[www.accessarts.org.au](http://www.accessarts.org.au)



## Donations in Kind: Thursday Volunteers 2014

Yes, there is always something to be done at the store on Thursday. Apart from receiving goods in, the wheelchairs need sorting and inspecting, plastic chairs that have been sitting in the school stores need hosing down, pallets need repair and **'ongoing housekeeping'** is essential. If you have Thursday morning free we can find a job for you in good company. It does not break the back but it raises the spirit!  
*Please note the DIK store at Durack will close for the Christmas break on 12 December and will reopen on 16 January.*

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## Mac Millar's "Football. Play It Forward" Update

Wow, it's been a really big month for my project Football - Play It Forward. We've done lots of things, like been on the Today Show and The Project and raised lots of money.



<http://www.macmillar.com/>

# CHRISTMAS PARTY BUZZ CAFE



### Message from Sandra Meek: National Youth Science Forum

Unfortunately I am still looking for a Mum and Dad for Perth. This is now getting to the critical stage. The dates would be January 5th - 18th 2014. Flights to and from Perth will be organised and paid for. You will have access to a mini van so will not require a hire car and all accommodation and meals are covered.

**Sandra Meek, Manager, Operations - National Youth Science Forum**

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# Knitting Fun!

& hosts with the most



## RI President Burton on the death of Nelson Mandela

Rotary members worldwide are deeply saddened to learn of the death of Nelson Mandela, a man who overcame unimaginable hardships to emerge as one of the greatest leaders of our time -- and one of our greatest humanitarians.

Mr. Mandela shared Rotary's commitment to humanitarian service and world peace, and twice as President of South Africa accepted Rotary recognition for his commitment to helping those in need, especially the children of southern Africa. In 1995, President Mandela received the Rotary International Award of Honor. Two years later, he accepted Rotary's highest award, the Rotary Award for World Understanding. In true fashion, he donated the \$100,000 grant accompanying the award to the Nelson Mandela Children's Fund.

Rotary is especially grateful for his strong support of the global effort to eradicate the crippling disease polio, our organization's highest priority. Mr. Mandela himself helped administer oral polio vaccine to the children of South Africa, which has been declared polio-free.

Our deepest condolences go to Mr. Mandela's family, to his millions of admirers worldwide, and especially to the People of South Africa, including the country's Rotary members, who knew him as a friend and staunch supporter of humanitarian service.

Despite this great loss, Mr. Mandela's legacy of courage, determination, and commitment will forever inspire us to move forward in our effort to achieve a better, more peaceful world.

Ron D. Burton  
President, Rotary International

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