



# Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise Inc.

R.I. No. 29520

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## HOT AIR

District 9600  
Serving the Heart of Brisbane  
14 April 2011



### FELLOW ROTARIANS

We didn't have our weekly Rotary meeting last Thursday as you all know. If you missed it when it was announced and showed up anyway; you would at least have had breakfast at the make-up table with Past President Vic and small group of early morning enthusiasts. For the rest of us, we attended the cocktail party that evening celebrating the opening of the Art Show. It was a wonderful event and those who attended had a great time...except perhaps for our Assistant DG Peter S.

Peter walked into one of those 'floor to ceiling' toughened glass panels so difficult to identify at night – he mistook it for the open door. Fortunately Dr John A was there to provide initial First Aid and took him off to Hospital for a bit of forehead embroidery. I knew Peter was going to survive when I saw him taking a medicinal sip of his red wine just prior to the 'mercy dash' to hospital. We all wish him a speedy recovery...now back to the art show.

I am very much of the 'I don't know much about art but I know what I like' - school of art critics, and I have to say I think the art this year is of a surprisingly high standard. Evidenced by the fact that a good deal of art was sold that first night and even more has been sold since. It turns out Elizabeth L is pretty good at this picture selling game. If Sotheby's had their scouts out she will have been talent spotted and recruited already. Elizabeth had sold three paintings before the speeches.

Thank you to all of you who have supported and continue to support this major club project. The sponsorship dollars are down this year for obvious reasons but it is great to see that Steve K continues to be a critical success factor in the Art Show – not just as a major sponsor but with computer support, guidance and encouragement. His contribution is as valued as it is important.

On Wednesday last week I was Ross G's guest at the breakfast launch of the Salvation Army's *2011 Red Shield Appeal*; attended by 800 Brisbane 'movers and shakers' (and me). It was a wonderful event made especially poignant when the Commissioner asked all of the odd numbered tables to stand and reminded us that that was about the number of people who are homeless and sleeping rough in Brisbane every night. High Rise will proudly support the Salvos again this year. It is not about any religious affiliation; it's about getting out there and picking up the pieces. That is why the Salvos are the most respected charity in Australia with a more than 90% approval rating. So when Ross asks, I hope as many of you as possible will respond positively. I don't know why I even bother saying that – cos you always do.

Yours in Rotary, Kit

### GUEST SPEAKERS

**Apr 14** *Tom Davison, Beef Research Board*  
Apr 21 David Rynne, Qld Resource Council  
Apr 28 *Royal Wedding* theme - Fellowship meeting  
May 5 TBA

### ROSTER 14 Apr 21 Apr 28 Apr 5 May

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|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| <b>CHAIRMAN</b> | Barbara L   | John L      | Frank L     |
| <b>SET UP</b>   | John L      | Frank L     | Bill L      |
|                 | Frank L     | Bill L      | Elizabeth L |
| <b>CLOSE</b>    | Bill L      | Elizabeth L | Stephanie M |
|                 | Elizabeth L | Stephanie M | Lindsay M   |

### 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.*

### INTERNATIONAL TOAST

According to Meat & Livestock Australia: *Livestock emissions make up about 10% of Australia's total greenhouse gas emissions. Approximately two thirds of emissions from agriculture in Australia are estimated to come from digestion in ruminant animals with a further 4% from manure management.*

It is estimated that there are 1.3 billion cattle worldwide with India having the largest cattle population, approx. 400 million. With this in mind, *Hot Air's* international toast this week is to the Rotary Club of **Bangalore Midtown** (District 3190) who meets Fridays in the Penthouse of the Prestige Towers, Bangalore, India.

### APOLOGIES & GUESTS

**MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS & BRINGING GUESTS PLEASE NOTIFY HIGH-RISE BY 9:00 a.m. WEDNESDAY: [apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com](mailto:apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com) (NB: Please ensure you receive a confirmation your email has been received)**

### ATTENDANCE – 31 Mar 2011

|                |    |                          |     |
|----------------|----|--------------------------|-----|
| <b>MEMBERS</b> | 37 | <b>VISITING ROTARIAN</b> | 1   |
| <b>GUESTS</b>  | 8  | <b>ATTENDANCE</b>        | 65% |

### MEMBER INTEREST - DATE CLAIMERS – REMINDERS

#### ART SPECTACULAR – Thurs. 7 to Sat. 16 APRIL 2011

Riverside Centre, 123 Eagle St, Brisbane, Open daily between 8am - 6pm, Weekends 9am - 4pm

## ROTARY CLUB OF CABOOLTURE – ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY – Fri. 15 APRIL 2011

Caboolture Golf Club, 7 a.m. Shotgun Start

Phone: Phil 0438 730 056, Bob 0412 644 628 or Chris 0410 492 022

## HOMELESS CONNECT – Wedn. 11 MAY 2011

Volunteers are needed to help at the above day at the RNA Showground. It is a day organized by Brisbane City Council where 1,000+ homeless come and connect with the various service providers, and get access to various services. **For more information please contact Ross G.**

## ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA – RAM DINNER – Sat. 14 MAY 2011

St Columban's Catholic Secondary College, 6:15 p.m. for 7 p.m. start

Caboolture

**RSVP** with cheque made payable to: The Rotary Club of Caboolture, PP Rosemary Worthington – RAM Dinner Co-ordinator, PO Box 240, Caboolture, Qld 4510 **No later than Tuesday 3 May 2011**

## ROTARIAN WEEK OF IBLA BAROQUE – Sat. 14 MAY to 21 MAY 2011

Programs, itinerary and booking form on [www.rotaryragusa.it](http://www.rotaryragusa.it)

## RED SHIELD DAY – Sun. 29 MAY 2011

This year High-Rise will need a good roll-up for not only the counting house (3-4), but also to act as drivers and collectors in the inner city west area (as many as possible). More details will be provided closer to the day.

## DISTRICT ASSEMBLY – Sun. 5 JUNE 2011

All incoming Board Members for the 2011-12 year (including those doing the position again) are to attend

## CHANGEOVER DINNER – Fri. 24 JUNE 2011

More detail to be provided at a later date

## EXTRACT FROM: RI – RESOURCE EXTRA, March 2011, Vol. 4 No.9

### Foundation Cup Contest Passes Half-way

We are now seven months into these contests and competition is varied across our three countries. Australia has the most competitive set of numbers but it's good to see all three countries ahead of the result at the same time last year. The target figure for YTD January is \$58.33 and comments on each country are:

**Australia** – An overall figure of \$37.67 compared to \$23.87 YTD January last year but the great thing is the "log jam" at the top of the table. D9750 leads the way with \$66.66 but there are another five districts breathing heavily down their neck and any one (or all) could strike. Three of the Australian districts are ahead of target and that's a good sign so far out from the finishing line. D9830 might look gone at the bottom of the table but they had a "Super February" and we'll definitely see changes there.

**New Zealand** – An overall figure of \$19.32 versus \$17.13 last year but things are starting to happen over there. They have more than a few domestic issues to handle but we know they are strong believers in The Foundation and its programs and they'll be there in the end. D9910 is leading the pack with a result of \$46.00 but I've got a feeling we'll see big changes when the February figures come through.

**The Philippines** – An overall result of \$37.21 versus \$33.66 last year but some great results to talk about. D3800 is already over the \$100 mark so they've done what's expected of them and I'm sure we'll see that figure grow even further. D3810 and D3830 are above the target figure and they'll both have their eyes on the \$100 mark. Other districts are all getting ready to make their moves so again, we can expect to see changes here as the year reaches its conclusion.

**Indonesia** – Just one district but moving along very well indeed. They finished last year on the \$65.09 mark but this year they are already \$60.99 after just seven months. There are plenty of clubs in that district putting in a 100% effort and they'll finish the year with an absolutely sensational result.

| DISTRICT    | YTD JAN 2010   | YTD JAN 2011   |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| 9750        | \$15.87        | \$66.66        |
| 9630        | \$46.85        | \$60.91        |
| 9680        | \$30.34        | \$58.84        |
| 9550        | \$22.02        | \$57.90        |
| 9455        | \$26.13        | \$51.58        |
| 9500        | \$20.02        | \$50.60        |
| 9820        | \$17.81        | \$43.90        |
| <b>9600</b> | <b>\$24.75</b> | <b>\$41.22</b> |
| 9465        | \$39.09        | \$40.80        |
| 9800        | \$25.22        | \$35.08        |
| 9810        | \$75.20        | \$34.86        |
| 9690        | \$16.47        | \$34.00        |
| 9570        | \$20.94        | \$28.71        |
| 9780        | \$11.39        | \$28.42        |
| 9650        | \$10.55        | \$26.03        |
| 9790        | \$26.55        | \$25.35        |
| 9640        | \$18.62        | \$25.30        |
| 9710        | \$25.92        | \$24.29        |
| 9520        | \$11.84        | \$21.05        |
| 9670        | \$8.80         | \$20.07        |
| 9700        | \$17.58        | \$17.36        |
| 9830        | \$7.27         | \$10.04        |
| TOTAL       | \$23.87        | \$37.67        |