



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

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HOT AIR

District 9600

Serving the Heart of Brisbane

18 February 2010



FELLOWS – Presidents Report

Firstly, what a great meeting we had with Gemma Sisea last week. I think the final numbers were about 74 so that was a great effort. Thanks to Bill and Greg for putting it all together, to Kit for his daily liaison with the Polo Club, to James for chairing the meeting, to Christine and others who pitched in to help and finally to the Polo Club for coping with an extra 8 or so visitors at the last minute.

Hopefully Gemma took back a few pledges and sold a few squares. There was a good queue waiting to see her with credit cards at the end of the meeting.

On the social side of things some of us had a great night out with Elena and her friends at the Russian Community Centre last Friday. When last seen President Elect Kit was busy signing up over a bottle of red mumbling something about having a lot in common with Mother Russia.

At the Board meeting on Monday we agreed to pay for the uniform for a Group Study Exchange member on a forthcoming visit to Finland. The lady in question is a teacher of deaf children in Madang on the north Coast of Papua New Guinea. She is the only qualified teacher in the Madang area specializing in sign language. The GSE Group are putting together a cold weather uniform at a cost of \$661.00. each. The Team Leader wrote requesting our assistance for their PNG Colleague and we have agreed to pay for the cost of the uniform. The area they are visiting is north of the arctic circle and our PNG friend would not be used to those temperatures.

Finally, the Art Show is four weeks away. Please let James Goodman know of your availability for assisting on the roster. Yours in Rotary - President Vic

Fund Raising Polio Plus

Peter Sullivan our Cluster Group Coordinator is seeking volunteers who might be available to help collect donations at the Central Railway Station on the 25th and 26th of February. So that is next week. If anyone has a free hour or two and is available to assist rattling the Polio bucket to collect donations can I ask you please to email Peter direct on Peter Sullivan on the above email sullylp@tpq.com.au

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

The Rotary Club of Andorra, Andorra – DISTRICT 1700 – who meet at Hotel Husa Centric, Avenue Meritxell, 87-89, Andorra la Vella. This Principality of the Valleys of Andorra is a very small country in southwestern Europe, located in the eastern Pyrenees mountains and bordered by Spain and France.

GUEST SPEAKERS

- 18 Feb Suzanne Wilson – Indigenous Literacy Program
- 25 Feb Mark Griffin – Statistics Without Borders
- 4 Mar A surprise.....
- 11 Mar "Campo" 97.3FM - "Radio the art of throwing a party"

EVENTS – FEB is WORLD UNDERSTANDING MONTH

- 23 Feb Rotary International 105th Birthday
- MARCH is LITERACY MONTH
- 18 Mar 2010 BRISBANE SENSES ART – OPENING NIGHT
- 26 Mar D9600 Conference – Reaching Beyond The Boundaries'

BIRTHDAYS

Famous birthdays, dates or a quote of the day

- 21 Feb Mark Breene Kelsey Grammar (Actor) - 1955
- 27 Feb Robert Tillmans Henry Wadsworth Longfellow (Poet) 1807
- 28 Feb Nicholas Meadows Brian Jones (Rolling Stones) – Born 1942
- 1 Mar Matthew Avier Roger Daltrey – Born 1944

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- 26 Feb Vic and Christine Morrissey
- 26 Feb Steve & Heather Knight

JOKER DRAW THIS WEEK IS WORTH - ????????

ATTENDANCE – 11 February 2010

MEMBERS	44	VISITING ROTARIANS	2
GUESTS	27	ATTENDANCE	79%

ROSTER

18 Feb 25 Feb 4 Mar 11 Mar

CHAIRMAN	Elena G	John K	Steve K	Mark L
SET UP	John K	Steve K	Mark L	Deb L
	Steve K	Mark L	Deb L	John L
CLOSE DOWN	Mark L	Deb L	John L	Frank L
	Deb L	John L	Frank L	Bill L

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.

MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETINGS - NEEDING TO ADVISE OF MAKE UPS - BRINGING GUESTS

PLEASE NOTIFY BY 1200 TUESDAY: Kit Bennetts – kitbennetts@yahoo.com.au

PROJECTS

ONGOING CLUB PROJECTS

ALBERT PARK FLEXI SCHOOL
DIABETES WALK FOR THE CURE
SMITH CHRISTMAS APPEAL
CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA
RED SHIELD APPEAL
BOUNDARY ST BOARDING HOUSE

NEW PROJECTS

OUTING FOR THE DISABLED – Supporting Cerebral Palsy League
GREY-MAN FOUNDATION – in development
SHELTER BOX



POLIO PLUS – NIGERIA – The Banner is up on the Story Bridge

For the first time in Nigeria, the new bivalent oral polio vaccine was used to target the two types of wild poliovirus remaining in the country: types 1 and 3. Nigeria is one of four countries in the world (along with Afghanistan, India, and Pakistan) where polio remains endemic. In 2009, the incidence of polio in Nigeria dropped by more than 50 percent, compared with 2008. Only 13 cases have been reported since August. "What this means in very simple terms is that we are now reaching more children," says Onabolu. "And Rotary International, as catalyst for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, is determined to support every effort at mobilizing the citizenry toward ensuring every child is immunized."

DATE CLAIMERS / INVITATIONS TO FELLOW ROTARIANS

FRIENDSHIP BUFFET – UQ – 19 Feb '10 – 6.30pm

IN CONJUNCTION with *Global Organization of People of Indian Origin* (GOPIO), INDIAN STUDENTS SOCIETY, UQ and INDIAN RESIDENTS at International House. Dress Code: Casual
Venue: INTERNATIONAL HOUSE – 5 Rock St St Lucia
RSVP: DG Walter Buchanan, 16 Feb - walmart@bigblue.net.au

ROLL THE DICE RUN – 19/20/21 March '10

The Rotary Club of Warwick - The Charity Bike Ride / Hot Rod Event invites any member bike/hot rod enthusiasts to join in. The Rally will have a major art union with limited tickets available. Prize is a Harley, yes a Harley valued at \$28350. Tickets are \$50 ea. The Raffle constitutes an important element of the event so go to: www.rollthedicerun.com.au Contact: Larry James – 0415421804

2010 BRISBANE SENSES ART – TICKETS AND SPONSORS

We are officially taking bookings for tickets to the OPENING NIGHT on MARCH 18, Thursday – buy at our meetings or online. \$40ea if purchased before Opening Night - \$50 at the door. PURCHASE DIRECT FROM OUR FRONT DESK WITH SHANNA.

www.rotaryartspectacular.com.au

FRIENDSHIP BUFFET - INTERNATIONAL HOUSE – UQ – 6.30pm

IN CONJUNCTION with *Global Organization of People of Indian Origin* (GOPIO), INDIAN STUDENTS SOCIETY, UQ and INDIAN RESIDENTS - INVITE ROTARIANS AND THEIR PARTNERS TO A **FRIENDSHIP BUFFET** AT: INTERNATIONAL HOUSE, 5 Rock St St Lucia

Day Date: FRIDAY 19 FEB 2010 Dress Code: Casual
RSVP: Tuesday 16 Feb 10, walmart@bigblue.net.au

A DROP OF WATER GOES A LONG WAY !! – HOW FANTASTIC IS THIS...Well done High-Rise!

Thank you Bill & Co.

