



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise Inc.

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District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
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FELLOW ROTARIANS

On Monday I attended a funeral along with Susan, Lindsay, Russell and Greg. It was of course the funeral of Steve's father Des who died last week at the age of 86. I made sure I was down at the back of the chapel. I don't like being at the front at funerals – I guess I will have to be up the front one day but I'm happy to wait until then – no rush.

If it's possible for a funeral to be a happy event then this was a truly happy event; the celebration of the life of a successful man - successful in every sense of the word. Clearly he was loved and admired by his family and friends. He had served his country as a pilot in World War Two and had had a successful career in his profession and later in business.

Of course I didn't know Des and for me it was fascinating to listen to powerful and moving eulogies by Steve, his older brother David and three of his grandchildren. Des' little great-grandson (also Des) was down the back playing on the grass and running about; he clearly shared my view about not being at the front at funerals. I guess the only really sad part of it was that Des wasn't actually there to hear those eulogies reflecting on how this man had had touched the lives of so many on his journey; but then again - perhaps he was there.

The final speakers were from *Vision Australia* and the Rotary Clubs of Brisbane and Kenmore. Des had been dedicated to helping others in our community and beyond and not surprisingly he had been a keen Rotarian throughout his life, actively involved in every aspect of Rotary. He was a past president, past director many times over and had held a number of district appointments.

On reflection perhaps it was a sad event – sad for me that I had not had the privilege of meeting this fine man.

Yours in Rotary, Kit

President C H (Kit) Bennetts presents the Principal of Albert Park Flexi School, Paul, with a copy of the Four Way Test of Rotary



GUEST SPEAKERS

Oct 28 Jennifer Mitchell – Droplets in the Stream

Nov 4 District Governor Eric Wood
Nov 11 TBA
Nov 18 TBA

CHAPLAIN WATCH – NIGHT4NIGHT WATCH FUNDRAISING EVENT – Thurs. 11 NOV 2010

Mercedes Benz Showroom, 6:30 p.m., 824 Ann St, Fortitude Valley. For more information please contact Gordana B on 0412 543 813

BIRTHDAY

2 Nov Phil Breene

ATTENDANCE – 21 Oct 2010

MEMBERS	TBA	VISITING ROTARIANS	TBA
GUESTS	TBA	ATTENDANCE	TBA

ROSTER 28 Oct 4 Nov 11 Nov 18 Nov

CHAIRMAN	Jacque B	Gordana B	Deb B	Philip B
SET UP	Gordana B	Deb B	Philip B	Rod C
	Deb B	Philip B	Rod C	Barry C
CLOSE	Philip B	Rod C	Barry C	Joy C
	Rod C	Barry C	Joy C	Jennifer E

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

The origins of Halloween celebrations stem from the festival of *Samhain*, known sometimes as the *Celtic New Year*. The ancient Celts believed that the border between this world and the Otherworld became thin on *Samhain*, allowing spirits (both harmless and harmful) to pass through. It is believed that the need to ward off harmful spirits led to the wearing of costumes and masks; their purpose being to disguise oneself as a harmful spirit and thus avoid harm.

In recognition of the upcoming *Samhain* on 31 October, the international toast is to the Rotary Club on **Navan** (District 1160) who meet on Tuesday at the Ardboyne Hotel, Meath, Ireland.

THE GREY MAN – COCKTAILS AT THE SUPREME COURT – Tues 30 NOV 2010

Banco Court of the Supreme Court, Lvl 2 Law Courts Complex, 6:00p.m for 6:30 p.m. start,
304 George St, Brisbane

Brisbane's legal eagles, child protection advocates and interested locals will converge on the Supreme Court for a cocktail fundraiser for not-for-profit, anti-child trafficking organisation, The Grey Man. The Grey Man is an Australian registered Charity and an international organisation, dedicated to the fight against the trafficking and exploitation of children.

Based in Brisbane, The Grey Man activities are generally focused on the countries of South East Asia. Each year, around the world UNICEF estimates around 1.2 million children are sold into slavery, which includes labour and sex work. This special event will be officially opened by the Attorney-General and Minister for Industrial Relations, the Hon. Cameron Dick, MP.

For more information please email: nishavadher@hotmail.com

BRISBANE HIGH RISE MEETING AT ALBERT PARK FLEXI SCHOOL

Sergeant, Wendy Protheroe, running the sergeant's session with Nick



Rotarians, from left, Fynn Stark and Steve Knight



Rotarians, from left, Steve Settle (Albert Park Liaison Coordinator) and Gary McDonald



Rotarians, from left, Ros Muford and Sylvia Raleigh



MEMBER INTEREST - DATE CLAIMERS – REMINDERS

WESTSIDE STORY – LYRIC THEATRE - Thurs. 11 NOV 2010

Tickets \$95 per person.

For more information, please contact Phil Breene

THE ORANGE PRINCESS IS COMING TO TOWN!

Tila is coming to Brisbane and will be hosting an Open House at Unit 24, 106- 110 Bonney Ave Clayfield from 4pm Saturday 30th October. She would love to catch up with everyone and asks if you are calling in to please bring a plate or bottle!! **For further details please contact Christine or Vic Morrissey 0409575419**

Left: Extraordinary High-Rise meeting in Amsterdam – Jane Smeeton, Christine Morrissey, Vic Morrissey, Tila van Gelein Vitringa and Rod Carstens.

