



# Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise Inc.

R.I. No. 29520

2010-11

## HOT AIR

District 9600  
Serving the Heart of Brisbane  
30 September 2010



### FELLOW ROTARIANS

On Monday I kept an appointment to see honorary member and Commissioner of Police, Bob Atkinson. As I did when I met The Lord Mayor I took the opportunity to brief him on our achievements last year and our plans for the current Rotary year. As you know he is no stranger to Rotary having been a member of two Queensland Rotary clubs over the years.

The Commissioner suggested that he would like to come along to a meeting later in the year and I undertook to suggest an appropriate week - perhaps in December. He readily agreed to host the club to a breakfast at Police Headquarters early in 2011. Many will remember the last time we did this during Deb's year as President at High Rise. He suggested that he will arrange two or three short presentations on topical issues relating to modern policing.

We took the opportunity to discuss RYDA - The Rotary Youth Driver Awards. RYDA targets High School students at about Year 10 & 11. The program is endorsed by the Queensland Police Service and I suggested there might well be an opportunity for the Commissioner to provide some added impetus to this proven Rotary initiative. You will recall that Gordana is the District Chair of RYDA.

The Commissioner is now looking to see if there is an appropriate time when this can be achieved; perhaps as part of a planned Road Safety event. He reminded me that it is the Department of Transport that has carriage of road safety campaigns and they remain the lead organisation. As I mentioned last week, Commissioner Atkinson has several particularly personal passions in the job and one of them is Road Safety. He is open to any considered and appropriate strategy to reduce road trauma so I'm confident that there is some practical synergy here.

I asked him if there was anything we as a club could do in support of promoting safer communities and he spoke of a number of Rotary clubs that annually present awards to local police officers who have displayed exemplary commitment to their communities. So often the only publicity police get is negative - an isolated incident of inappropriate conduct tends to result in histrionic suggestions that the Queensland's ten thousand police have reverted to pre-Fitzgerald days of rampant corruption. The tragedy of this is that it does affect morale and sometimes community recognition goes a long way towards reminding us of the commitment the overwhelming majority who serve with honour. (I'll have to stop here...I'm getting a bit emotional! I'm not really; I know the community would willingly recognise my commitment by tossing me off the Story bridge). I will talk with Fortitude Valley as I know they have a program - perhaps we can look at some recognition targeting emergency service personnel - more later.

Yours in Rotary,  
Kit

### GUEST SPEAKERS

#### Sept 30 Amanda Watson – Telecoms in PNG

Oct 7 John Arvier – Tour de France  
Oct 14 Paul Pisasale – Mayor of Ipswich  
Oct 21 TBA

### MELBOURNE CUP TRIFECTA TICKETS

Tickets \$2 each. For more information download the flyer from Brisbane high-Rise website Home page.

### BIRTHDAYS

3 Oct Louise Arvier  
5 Oct Mark Postle

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

5 Oct – Elena & Peta Gosse

### ATTENDANCE – 23 Sept 2010

MEMBERS	35	VISITING ROTARIAN	1
GUESTS	3	ATTENDANCE	60%

### ROSTER 30 Sept 30 Sept 7 Oct 14 Oct

CHAIRMAN	Daryl W	John A	Tim B	Ken B
SET UP	John A	Tim B	Ken B	Jacque B
	Tim B	Ken B	Jacque B	Gordana B
CLOSE	Ken B	Jacque B	Gordana B	Deb B
	Jacque B	Gordana B	Deb B	Philip B

### 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

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> October the Opening Ceremony of the 2010 Commonwealth Games will be held in the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi. This stadium was first built to host the 9<sup>th</sup> Asian Games in 1982.

In recognition of the significance this location will play in the upcoming weeks, the international toast is to the Rotary Club of **Delhi** (District 3010) who meet Thursdays at the Hotel Ashoka, New Delhi.

ATTENDANCE – 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)

MEMBERS PLEASE EMAIL DETAILS OF MAKE-UPS TO: [make-ups@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com](mailto:make-ups@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com)



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2010

ID 16608

The President  
Kit Bennetts  
Rotary club of Brisbane High Rise  
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Dear President Kitt

Many thanks for your clubs cheque for \$2000.00 being your clubs ongoing support for the sponsorship of room No8 on the Rotary floor in the new east wing development at The Wesley.

The support by Rotary clubs has indeed been very special with only 3 room left out of the 32 rooms available for sponsorship. I envisage that these will be taken up in the near future.

Your clubs support for The Wesley has indeed been very much appreciated.

With best wishes  
Ray Crompton

Fundraising Development Manager  
The Wesley Hospital



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## MEMBER INTEREST - DATE CLAIMERS – REMINDERS

### ROTARY CLUB OF NORTHLAKES – DAY ON THE BAY – SOUTH PASSAGE SAILING SHIP - Sun. 3 OCT 2010

Scarborough Marina 9:30 a.m. (Beside coastguard HQ)

Funds to *Rotarians Against Malaria*. Cost \$60 per person. **For more details, call Steve 0439 946 367**

### BRISBANE'S KARUNA HOSPICE FUNDRAISING EVENT – SUNSET SWING COCKTAIL PARTY – Fri. 8 OCT 2010

Riverside Centre Foyer, 123 Eagle St, 7 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Dress: Vintage 50's cocktail or formal, \$155 per person.

Raising funds for Brisbane palliative care hospice Karuna, Sunset Swing is a celebration of caring and kindness. Featuring live music from Brisbane's famous Swing Central big band, an auction of experiences and exclusive lucky door prizes, the evening promises to be a dazzling night to remember. **Buy tickets at [www.sunsetswing.com.au](http://www.sunsetswing.com.au)**

### ROTARY CLUB OF REDLANDS BAYSIDE – INAUGURAL ROTARY GOLF CLUB DAY – Fri. 15 OCT 2010

Redland Bay Golf Club, Registration & Breakfast 9:30 a.m., Tee Off 10:30 a.m., Lunch & Presentation 3:00 p.m.

Dress: Golf - as per club dress regulations

The Redlands Bayside Rotary Club & Redland Bay Golf Club invites you to their inaugural Rotary Golf Day in support of PolioPlus. The event will be a four ball ambrose competition, so anyone can play, regardless of ability. Price: \$100 per player, \$400 per team of 4 (Included in the price is golf, electric cart, pre game breakfast burger, buffet lunch & the chance to win many prizes). Hole sponsorships are available for \$300 per hole. **To book a place or to find out more please contact Aaron Muirhead on (07) 3206 7011 or email [aaron@redlandbaygolf.com.au](mailto:aaron@redlandbaygolf.com.au)**

### COMMUNITY DAY @ THE GABBA – Fri. 22 Oct 2010, 2:15 p.m. onwards

Day/Night 50-over Qld V Sri Lanka match

Community day for cricket lovers and supporters of the homeless

Spiritus will partner with Queensland Cricket, Brisbane City Council, Translink and Volunteering Queensland to encourage people to come out in numbers to enjoy a 'limited overs' game and help raise awareness of the need to support people who are experiencing homelessness, the challenges they face and the vital support they receive from Spiritus and other service providers. All funds raised on the day will be used to support the various Homelessness service providers supported by Spiritus. **Details on [www.spiritus.org.au](http://www.spiritus.org.au) or contact Carlton Meyn on [cmeyn@spiritus.org.au](mailto:cmeyn@spiritus.org.au)**

## BRISBANE HIGH-RISE PROJECTS 2010-11

ALBERT PARK FLEXI SCHOOL

BOUNDARY ST BOARDING HOUSE

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA

DIABETES WALK FOR THE CURE

GREY-MAN FOUNDATION

OUTING FOR THE DISABLED – Supporting Cerebral Palsy League

RED SHIELD APPEAL

ROTARY YOUTH DRIVER AWARENESS - RYDA

SHELTER BOX - (On Hold - awaiting developments)

SMITH CHRISTMAS APPEAL

## DISTRICT 9600 – UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTH OF OCTOBER – VOCATIONAL SERVICES MONTH

MONTH OF NOVEMBER – ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

**ROTARY FOUNDATION SEMINAR – 7 Nov 2010**

St Columbans College, Caboolture

Registration at 8:30 a.m., start 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. This seminar incorporates the AGM of the District



**2011 ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION**

19 – 25 MAY 2011 in New Orleans. For more information visit:

[www.rotary.org/convention](http://www.rotary.org/convention)