



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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**GPO Box 2909
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Meets 4th Floor
(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
Post Office Square
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MONDAYS

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

OFFICERS

President	Alistair Smith
President Elect	
Imm Past President	Basil Veal
Vice President	Keith Watts
Secretary	Michael Stephens
Treasurer	Dougal Henderson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cameron Bishop

District 9600
Club Number 17787
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor
Dai Mason

Rotary International President
Sakuji Tanaka

President's Message

Dear Fellow Rotarians

Monday's meeting was somewhat disappointing in terms of attendance, with us only having 18 members present for the lunch. Despite that we had some very interesting discussions around the concept of running an incubator/mentoring program for new young business leaders, with the aim of assisting them in their career and also introducing them to Rotary. If possible we could perhaps look at a tie in with the Australian Institute of Management, although this will probably be some way down the line. In any event, I think this is a fantastic idea, and one that we should look into further, so Patrick Caragata has agreed to take the lead in looking into this further.

We did also briefly discuss the idea of corporate membership, and whether we could tie this into the program so that corporations that join could have young executives attend the program. I mentioned this at the cluster meeting on Tuesday morning, and it was suggested that we could perhaps have a "friends of Rotary" type program in which companies are nominated as a friend of the club and this would entitle them to some form of attendance and benefits. Gerald and I will consider this further.

The cluster meeting was also interesting from the perspective that we discussed holding more joint events and promotion. As part of this, it was mentioned that the Fortitude Valley Club are holding a Gala Dinner on 21st September 2012, and we may wish to consider attending or assisting. Details of the event can be found at: <http://www.valleyrotary.org.au/rivercityrock/> and if anyone is interested, please let me know.



**What's On?
13 August:**

**Associate Professor
Dorothy Watts**
*The Celts: Myths &
Reality*

Date Claimers

19th August:
Membership Seminar

9th September:
Public Relations and Media
Training Seminar

4 WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?





President's Message (continued)

In any event, we are hoping to promote more involvement between the different cluster Clubs and I will be meeting with Andrew Vincent next week to discuss this further.

On Monday I also had a message from Rotarian Erica Duguid who is helping to organise the RYPEN Camp, which will be held on 24th August, seeking sponsorship for Rotaract Youth Leaders. As this seemed like a worthy cause, and as sponsorship was only \$225, I agreed we would assist in this instance, and I will seek forgiveness from the board when we next meet.

As far as forthcoming meetings are concerned, this coming week we have Graham Blackman speaking about the Angel Flight program. Over the following weeks we also have Dr Mark Wallace (Metro Recovery and Resilience Team), and Eric Wood (Foundation Grant Program). I would sincerely hope that we can muster some better numbers for these speakers. With that in mind I would urge as many of you attend as possible, and I look forward to seeing you there.

Yours in Rotary

Alistair Smith
President

Rotary Meeting – 6 August 2012

The Chairman of the day PP Mel Evans introduced P Alistair. There were apologies from PP Wal Bishop and PP Bas Veal. As there were no guests PP Mel called for spots.

Patrick Caragata discussed the ability of the Club to attract and keep younger members. With the combined experience and talent of senior members he suggested considering an internship type of experience where young graduates and people in their mid-twenties to mid-thirties could be formed into an Incubator Club. If we could get eight to ten of this age group who were interested in starting new businesses our senior members could mentor them and give advice.

These members could be groomed as the next generation of Rotarians. Patrick announced that Phil Gresham, Michael Stevens and P Alistair would help him to investigate this matter and report back to the Club.

Phil Little suggested that the young generation think that we have "stuffed it up." Patrick thought that if we have indeed stuffed it up then we should offer courses in taxidermy.

PP Brian Carss thought it should be more along the lines of a New Enterprise Club where the new members could call on the prestige and tradition of our Club and we could offer them advice and support for any fundraising or other community support enterprises they decided to undertake.

PP Keith Watts thought that the internship programme was a good idea and that our Club should adopt it.

PP Mike Maugher thought that we should be careful that we did not step on the toes of Rotoract by poaching potential members from them. He also suggested that some of the members of Generation Y had the attention span of a gold fish.

PP Mel Evans announced that he was planning a Club visit to Brisbane Airport for later in the year.

As there was no guest speaker PP Brian Carss presented an interesting and nostalgic power point presentation of the very successful Heart of Brisbane Dinner that our Club held to raise funds that were used to provide tertiary scholarships for students at the Innisfail State High school that was devastated in a cyclone several years ago. General Cosgrove, who was in charge of the cyclone recovery effort, was the guest speaker.

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.

Calendar

20 August:
Graham Blackman
Angel Flight program

27 August:
Dr Mark Wallace
*Metro Recovery & Resilience
Team*

3 September:
Eric Wood
Foundation Grant Program

Roster

13 August 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman P Anderson
Set Up/Away J Smerdon
Raffle J Worrell
Visitor Register P Dawson
Attendance G Whitmore

20 August 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman M Wlnders
Set Up/Away C Muir
Raffle R Tamaschke
Visitor Register C Shepherd
Attendance G Whitmore

27 August 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman H Monaghan
Set Up/Away P Little
Raffle M Evans
Visitor Register A Gillespie
Attendance G Whitmore

3 September 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman S Dunlop
Set Up/Away B Carss
Raffle B Aldred
Visitor Register C Morman
Attendance G Whitmore

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like to see included in future
Bulletins to the Bulletin Editor at*

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Rotary Meeting (continued)

Members were challenged to remember the names of former members who were shown in the slides.

SAA Cam Bishop apologised for being late for the meeting, but made up for it by finishing the meeting on time. The raffle was won by Greg Sellars.

The meeting was attended by 17 members

Proud to be a Rotarian

Dino Marzaro, president of the Rotary Club of Quebec, Quebec City, Canada

I first discovered Rotary in 1998, when I joined the Rotary Club of Quebec City. For the past six years, I have tried to take part in a polio immunization trip every year, with the latest this July to Pakistan.

From 12-22 July, a team of three Rotarians from Quebec City, Canadian polio survivor and Rotarian Ramesh Ferris, and four Rotarians from the United States took part in immunization efforts in Karachi. Aziz Memon, chair of the Pakistan PolioPlus Committee, and Shaikh Jalaluddin, governor of District 3271, took care of our team from the minute we arrived. All eight members stayed together as a family, it was like we had known each other for a long time. But you know, it is easy if you share the same goal, to End Polio Now.

On the ground, we are moved by what we see. There are still cases of polio. The challenges are the same in many of the endemic countries: fighting myths about the vaccine, maintaining the cold chain, reaching all children with the drops.

While in Karachi, we watched a wonderful video Pakistan Rotaractors have made to promote polio vaccinations. Thanks to all the Rotarians in the world who are helping make a difference. We are united with the same goal of Peace Through Service.

I am proud to be a member of Rotary, one of the largest volunteer organization in the world. With your help, we will win the fight against polio.



A boy has his pinkie marked to indicate he has received the polio vaccine. Photo courtesy of Dino Marzaro

Source:
<http://blog.rotary.org/2012/08/01/marzaro/#more-1252>

Enhancing Rotary's image through service

By Claudio Spiguel, District 4560 Rotary Foundation Chair and a member of the Rotary Club of Guaxupé, Minas Gerais, Brazil

In the past few years, my Rotary Club of Guaxupé has hosted five Matching Grant projects with The Rotary Foundation. Two of these projects aimed at the purchase of vehicles for beneficiary organizations that support needy segments of the community. These vehicles have fulfilled the project objectives, and have been put to very good use.

They have also accomplished something else as important — they have elevated our club's visibility in the community and helped us attract new members.

Our first project purchased a car for a school for children and adolescents at social risk, so officials could provide transportation for students who came to the school in need of medical and/or psychological attention. The school is managed by the non-profit organization Associação de Apoio à Criança e ao Adolescente (Association for the Support of Children and Adolescents) of Guaxupé.



Our international partner on this project was the Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood, Illinois, USA.

Our second project purchased a small ambulance for an agency called "Bom Pastor" (Good Shepherd) which provides dignified support for homeless individuals and drug addicts in rehab. The ambulance helps transport patients to and from area clinics. For this project we continued our partnership with the Rotary Club of Highland Park/Highwood, but also joined with two other clubs of the same district, the Rotary clubs of Northbrook and Deerfield, Illinois, USA.

With each vehicle, we made sure to "silk" them with the Rotary and Rotary Foundation logos, so they would be readily seen as they circulated throughout the community. This visibility brought in several new members last year, and has led to some potential new members this year.

We are currently working with the same partners on another Matching Grant project to purchase a mini-bus for the local chapter of the Associação de Pais e Amigos dos Excepcionais (Association of Parents and Friends of the Severely Handicapped). We will again decal the vehicle if the project is approved.

Projects such as these generate results that are palpable and visible in the local community. I encourage all Rotarians to make your service projects visible through similar means, and by doing so, enhance the image of Rotary through service.