



# The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

Founded 29 May 1923 Club 17787

*A global network of community volunteers*

20 October 2014



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ABN 75 152 438 499

**GPO Box 2909  
Brisbane Qld 4001**

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
(Edinburgh Room)  
of the Brisbane Club  
Post Office Square  
241 Adelaide Street  
Brisbane

**MONDAYS**

**12.15 pm – 1.45 pm**

### OFFICERS

President	Graeme Whitmore
President Elect	Phil Gresham
Imm Past President	Alistair Smith
Vice President	Keith Watts
Secretary	Michael Stephens
Treasurer	Warren Walker
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cameron Bishop

District 9600  
Club Number 17787  
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor  
George Grant

Rotary International President  
Gary C K Huang

### President's Message

Welcome fellow Rotarians & Visitors

**ROTARIAN, and Past President Mike Mauger.**

It was with sadness that following the recent death of John Charlton I was advised of the passing of another of our Past Presidents Mike Mauger.

A service was held for Mike Mauger on Friday 26th Sep at Albany Creek Memorial Gardens and was attended by a number of our members. Mike Eulogy reflected on his early childhood through to his military service and honours, both in the UK and Australia.

Mike was another victim of diabetes, and serves as a timely reminder of the need to look after our bodies and seek treatment when in doubt.

Mike was a respected member of our club, and served as Club President. He is survived by his wife and extended family, and we pass our sympathy to them.



Today we had the pleasure of listening to Mr Terry Tolhurst who in addition to his busy business life is historian for the Brisbane club. His interesting talk on the fallen members of the Brisbane Club during WW1 and the necessary research of these members, was quite astounding, and no doubt he would have shed a tear or two during discovery

Good attendance at today's meeting, and we look forward to continued support.



### Date Claimers

20 October:  
RCOB Board Meeting

28 November:  
RCOB Christmas Dinner



### 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

### Current Topics:

- The small sundial project moves forward, with Local Civil Sub contractor Mainland Civil undertaking the relocation of the concrete pedestal for us and thanks goes to them and Brookfield Multiplex for their continued help & support to our club.
- The Next phase will be the cleaning and repainting and installation of new signage and plaques being prepared by PP Wal Bishop. We intend to complete the works over the next couple of weekends subject to weather. Offers of assistance have been received from Rtn. Max Winders, & VP Keith Watts.
- The School have advised appreciation of the work done so far and will have a rededication once complete, to recognise our continued involvement with the school.
- The Melbourne Cup Sweepstake, Tickets are available, and 50 tickets (\$100) were distributed to those in attendance today other members will receive their tickets to sell this week. Tickets are \$2 each and each member will be given 50 tickets to sell, Tickets given to members will be non-returnable (except for money) so that we may maximise the benefits of this sweepstake raffle. Please make every effort to sell all our tickets as a club project.
- It is proposed that we have Dentist Ross Dunn return to our club to provide further information on our proposed contribution to Dentistry Training in Timor. This is a good project to be involved in by our club, but needs the clubs final approvals to proceed as it is a long term (3 year min) commitment.
- World Polio Day is scheduled for Oct 24th; perhaps a small donation from all may be the order of the day for next week's meeting!!!

*Next week is a Club Fellowship and Business day, followed by our monthly board meeting. I personally ask that all members come prepared to discuss the various projects that have been proposed, and the issue of increasing our membership. Good rollup requested*

Yours in Rotary

**Remember: LIGHT UP ROTARY**

### President Graeme

#### Rotary Meeting 13 October 2014

The Chairman for the day was Michael Stevens. After Rotary Grace and toasts to the Queen of Australia and Rotary International he introduced President Whitmore. Graeme's message is presented in detail elsewhere in the Bulletin.

In Rotary Spots, Tony McKinnon:

- Reported that he is going through members' comments and recommendations plus material from RI on membership and that he will report soon;
- Confirmed arrangements for the Rotary Christmas Dinner at Tattersalls' Club for evening of 28 November 2014. The Dinner will start with pre-dinner champagne and canapés on arrival, followed by main course (alternative drop) and dessert (alternative drop), with red and white wine. The Dinner will be rounded out with coffee/tea and after dinner mints. As Tattersalls Club will be having a Dinner Dance on that evening guests are welcome to dance in the members' Dining Room.



## Calendar

### Roster

#### 20 October 2014:

President	G Whitmore
Chairperson	B Veal
Set Up/Away	J Ryder
Raffle	W Walker
Visitor Register	S Francis
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

#### 27 October 2014:

President	G Whitmore
Chairperson	J Worrell
Set Up/Away	M Evans
Raffle	P Little
Visitor Register	J Ryder
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

#### 3 November 2014:

President	G Whitmore
Chairperson	TBC
Set Up/Away	TBC
Raffle	TBC
Visitor Register	TBC
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

#### 10 November 2014:

President	G Whitmore
Chairperson	TBC
Set Up/Away	TBC
Raffle	TBC
Visitor Register	TBC
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

*Please forward any dates or articles of interest that you would like to see included in future Bulletins to the Bulletin Editor at*

*secretary@brisbanerotary.org.au*



## Rotary Meeting 13 October 2014

The cost of the Dinner will be **\$100.00 per head**. Members are requested to RSVP Tony McKinnon by email (tonymck@smartchat.net.au) and pay the RCOB Treasurer by direct credit to the club account with the notation **"RCOB Christmas 2014 Dinner"**. Members are requested to RSVP and pay by 5 November 2014.

After a short period of Fellowship, Chairman Michael introduced the guest speaker, Terry Tolhurst, the Brisbane Club Archivist, who spoke on "WW1 and the Brisbane Club Honour Boards". He made the following points:

- The Club Honour Boards show that 119 members served in World War 1.
- Of those 119 members 22 were killed in action.
- Most of the 119 members were sons of existing members. The survivors joined the Club on their return from active duty

The information on the serving members was derived largely from the Australian War Memorial and the National Archives websites.

The Brisbane Club displayed the dossiers constructed on each serviceman with details such as a chronology of each man "killed in action"; the unit/s in which he served; and the date and place of death.

The current and further material may be uploaded onto the Brisbane Club website at a later date.

As Cam Bishop has been very busy attending to his grapes and his wedding clients he had little time to prepare. The sergeant's session was accordingly short, sweet and relatively painless. Michael Stephens won the raffle, but the Joker is still in the pack and the jackpot remains to be won.

The meeting closed at 1.45pm.

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## Ebola puts dream to educate Liberian children on hold

By Samuel R. Enders, Rotary Club of  
Yonkers-East Yonkers, New York, USA  
Source: [blog.rotary.org](http://blog.rotary.org)

Having grown up in poverty in Liberia, West Africa, I know firsthand both the dire need for better educational opportunities in that country and the empowerment that a quality education provides. I experienced the death of my father when I was just two months old and struggled to survive through the country's bloody civil war that ravaged the economy, infrastructure, and people.

In 2005, I founded African Dream Academy (ADA) to help Liberia's youth escape the iron grip of poverty. We have provided counseling to thousands of children in two week intervals several times a year, and in 2012, opened our first fully academic school where we teach 140 children in classes from nursery through fourth grade.



Samuel Enders with students from the African Dream Academy.

But my dream to educate the poor children of Liberia has been temporarily overshadowed by a greater priority: keeping them alive. The Ebola crisis in Liberia has been a tragic blow to a country already overwhelmed by poverty. Instead of worrying about my own safety and returning to the U.S. as all American volunteers have been advised to do, I organized 347 volunteers to go out into the community to educate people about prevention and to supply containers of chlorinated water to encourage hand washing.

People lack knowledge about the disease and they don't have running water. As school will not be able to open until Ebola is under control, the plan is for teachers to work with the ADA children in their neighborhoods, distributing work, correcting it, and teaching the children in small groups until the government deems it safe for schools to open.

People are calling me from all over the country — they want to be educated about the disease and get the materials they need to wash their hands and stay safe. So far, we've reached 10,000 homes in 20 communities with materials and training for safe water and hygiene. We've provided emergency food and medical assistance to our ADA students, teachers, and the blind community. We also donated an ambulance to the one and only Ebola center in the country, ELWA hospital (which is about half a mile away from the school), as it did not have one and this greatly hampered the effort to fight the disease.

I took action as a Rotarian, a Liberian, and a human being to make a difference. The work is overwhelming. I am asking my fellow Rotarians and people around the world to give me and my volunteers hope and support.

Learn about the [ADA's efforts to combat Ebola](#)  
Find [Rotary club projects addressing Ebola on Rotary Ideas](#)  
Read about a [club effort in the United Kingdom](#)



About the author: Samuel R. Enders is founder and executive director of African Dream Academy. He is a graduate of Anderson University with a BS in Organizational Leadership, and the Anderson University School of Theology with a Masters of Divinity. He is completing his MBA at Walden University, and has served as a minister and youth and community leader.

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## Back on a bike for Miles to End Polio

By Alison Randall, Rotary staff  
Source: [blog.rotary.org](http://blog.rotary.org)

Being a part of the Miles to End Polio team has been helping rebuild my confidence in bicycling.

A few years ago, I was living in Madison, Wisconsin, riding to class one morning, when another student cyclist I was passing decided to turn left without warning. I crashed and fell off my bike, but thankfully was not seriously injured. Nevertheless, after that incident, I decided to walk to class. No more biking for me.

Time has gone by, and now many of my friends, including my boyfriend, Jerry, are avid bikers. They go on long rides and discover new places in Chicago. I didn't want to miss out on the fun, so I purchased a road bike this July. Three weeks later the Miles to End Polio Challenge was announced. What better way to overcome my fear of cycling? Not only will I need to train, but I can also raise money and awareness for a cause that I truly believe in: ending polio.



Alison Randall and her boyfriend, Jerry, during a training ride for El Tour de Tucson.

Since being selected, I've gone on several long rides including ones of 47 and 53 miles. It hasn't been easy, but it's been fun. There is so much to know about biking:

1. You need lots of gear: I bought new sunglasses, gloves, shoes, pedals, water bottles, shorts (with padding!), shirts with built in pockets, lights, and a helmet.

2. There's a whole new language: "Rolling, stopping, hole, car back."
3. Bananas are your friend.

I'm sure I will be able to add more things to this list as my training continues. Friend me on Facebook or follow me on Twitter @Alirandall

*Alison Randall is a Regional Grants Officer for Rotary International, managing global and district grants targeting Europe and West Africa. A native of Deerfield, Illinois, she comes from a family of Rotarians including her father and grandfather.*