



# The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

11 August 2008



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(Edinburgh Room)  
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**MONDAYS**

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

**OFFICERS**

President	Michael Kelly
President Elect	Mike Mauger
Imm Past President	Mel Evans
Secretary	Brian Carss
Treasurer	Cameron Bishop

District 9600  
Club Number 17787  
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor  
Wayne Morris

Rotary International President  
Dong Kurn Lee

### President's Message

President's Report prior to meeting to be held on 11 August 2008.

Fellow Rotarians at our meeting on Monday 11 August 2008 the Rotary Club of Brisbane welcomes District Governor Wayne Morris.

To the District Governor thanks for coming to see us and we look forward to hearing from you on District 9600 for 2008 /2009.

I can report to you that the River Breakfast event is all go. We have finalised our arrangements with the River Festival Organisers/Officials. As previously suggested we Rotarians and friends are to cook and prepare at four BBQ stations on the Goodwill Bridge. We will be provided with all the cooking equipment, foods stuffs and ancillary items required. For this the festival will make a cash contribution to Rotary Club of Brisbane for allocation of one of our projects. So we need your help from about 0700 / 0730 through to 1100 on Sunday morning 31 August 2008 at the Goodwill Bridge. Thanks to Greg Sellars for his co-ordination of this event. And thanks in advance for your attendance and help.

This week many of our members have been of assistance to the board particularly with regards to membership both the servicing of our current membership and the recruitment of new members.

I thank those members and particularly Director Michael Stevens and his membership team for the interest and actions on membership. Let's hope we can report some positive outcomes in the near future.

Am not mentioning what happened in Auckland last Saturday but looking forward to a certain match in Durban, South Africa on the 23 August.

Let's Make Dreams Real

**Michael Kelly, President**

### President Michael needs your help!

Each week we will identify a number of Membership classifications for you to suggest possible Club members. Featured classifications this week are:

#### Architecture & Engineering

- Architect
- Landscaper
- Agricultural Engineer
- Aerospace Engineer
- Chemical Engineer
- Civil Engineer
- Electrical Engineer
- Industrial Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer
- Mining Engineer
- Surveyor

Please share your ideas with Mike Stephens, Don O'Donoghue or Wal Bishop

### NEW LINKS

#### Bipolar PowerPoint Presentation

[www.brisbanerotary.org.au/interesting\\_links.html](http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/interesting_links.html)

#### Canine Helpers

[www.brisbanerotary.org.au/News.html](http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/News.html)

## GUEST SPEAKER

11 August 2008

DG Wayne Morris  
District Governor 9600



**Meeting Review**

**4<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

Our attendance this week was good, with 30 members, one visiting Rotarian and two Club guests.

Chairman Warren Hampton welcomed those attending and asked all to say grace and then proposed the loyal toasts. He welcomed President Michael Kelly to the rostrum.

Pres Michael again thanked all those attending and said he had just returned from Coolom. He thanked all members for their interest, comments and suggestions on his plans for the year and welcomed our visitors:

- ◆ Rtn Vince Lester, visiting Rotarian from the Rotary Club of Sandgate
- ◆ Lisa Devereaux and Jason Hawley, from The Bipolar Expedition, Guest Speakers

Pres Michael mentioned the presentation of the sponsorship cheque of \$75,000 to Canine Helpers on Saturday, 2<sup>nd</sup> August. The cheque represented three years of sponsorship from Immediate Past President Mel Evans, himself as current President, and President Elect Mike Mauger. The sponsorship would provide a firm base for Canine Helpers to train more dogs for the disabled.

Chairman Warren then called for spots:

- Greg Sellars mentioned the Riverfestival 2008 River Breakfast on the Goodwill Bridge on Sunday morning 31<sup>st</sup> August. 20-25 members were needed to cook breakfasts and he had placed a form on each table for names of volunteers.
- Mike Mauger drew member's attention to the new Bulletin layout and also introduced the new raffle starting on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> August. It would be a 'Find the Joker' raffle with the winner each week receiving a Rotary Polo Shirt embroidered with 'BRISBANE' above and 'Service since 1923' below the badge. It was hoped that by the end of the round, most members would have a Polo Shirt – they would also be for sale.
- Phil Little brought us up-to-date with happenings on climate change and sustainability. He mentioned Al Gore's latest offering which suggested that the USA could off-grid within 10 years!

After some time for lunch and fellowship, Chairman Warren referred to the information he had emailed to members last Thursday and introduced our Guest Speakers Lisa Devereaux and Jason Hawley to talk about The Bipolar Expedition and Bipolar Disorder.

Lisa and Jason explained what BD was and how BD has been connected with creativity, achievement and fame including people like Vincent Van Gogh, Virginia Woolf and Winston Churchill. It affects over 200 000 Australians. Mood disorders were explained and the symptoms of depression and mania were explained along with following details:

- A higher suicide rate than any other disease or mental illness.
- 6th leading cause of medical disability worldwide.
- Greater degree of disability than osteoarthritis, HIV, diabetes, or asthma.
- 70% of patients are misdiagnosed.
- BD imposes a substantial economic burden, estimated annual cost in Australia of \$1.59billion.
- Every untreated patient costs their employer about \$10,000 per year in lost productivity.

THE BIPOLAR EXPEDITION is an incredible not-for-profit initiative being developed by young Australians. It is the ultimate journey to the ends of the Earth. The expedition is expected to raise \$2 million dollars, to build a new awareness, to combat the current stigma, and demonstrate that people with BD can lead ordinary lives and achieve extraordinary things. Sending teams to both poles will be an adventure that parallels the extremes of the disorder. The expedition is in two parts: The Last Degree to the South Pole in November 2009, a distance of 112km which will take 20 days including 14 days on ice; and The Last Degree to the North Pole in April 2010, a distance of approximately 110km which will take 12 days including 9 days on ice. They have as partners the Australian Rotary Health Research Fund and the Black Dog Institute. Further details of BD, the expedition, and sponsorship can be found at [www.bipolarexpedition.org](http://www.bipolarexpedition.org).

After some questions, Chairman Warren thanked Lisa and Jason and presented them with Certificates of Appreciation. Chairman Warren then introduced the assistant Sergeant-at-Arms Cam Bishop who thanked Lisa and Jason and again mentioned the attendance of Vince Lester, who has chalked up 100% attendance over 45 years! Overseas and local travel as well as football received a mention, and a little more about the win of the Sea Eagles rather than our national team! He then regaled us with a few jokes and extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions. He then drew the ticket for the raffle and after drawing out the process of finding the winning ticket, worked out that it was his own!!! He won a bottle of RCoB wine.

Good luck!

CALENDAR

**Sunday 31st August 2008**

**RIVERFESTIVAL 2008**

Sunday River Breakfast  
8 am – 11 am  
Goodwill Bridge

*(About 20 – 25 members will be required to assist, please inform Greg Sellers if you can help)*

**ROSTER**

**Monday 18th August 2008**

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	P Little
Set Up	P Pennisi
Put Away	A Smith
Raffle	R Buchanan
Visitor Register	D Phillips
Fellowship	P Anderson
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

**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.**

**FOUR 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?

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