



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

16 March 2009

Vice President's Message

Hi All,

Again, we see the absence of President Michael on duty as the Queensland State Election moves along; only another week until the election is over!

Amongst the various communications we have with sister and other Rotary Clubs, we received a message from Harold B. Sandrasagara, of the Rotary Club of Mount Lavinia in Colombo, Sri Lanka, where life moves on amid war and terrorism, to say that because of the turndown in the global economy the sponsorship of projects in both Sri Lanka and India is this year reduced by a huge 40%! From that perspective, we move to our own backyard where Rotarians like Roberta Gordon are putting themselves to the test; in her case cycling 17,813 km around Australia to raise funds for mental health through Australian Rotary Health. We still have the ongoing conditions following the Bush Fires in Victoria, a good proportion of Northern Queensland is still under water; and even more of it (water) is threatening Queensland through Tropical Cyclone Hamish!

Whatever the cause and circumstances, Rotarians are there to provide their share of service to the community.

We all strive to 'Make dreams real'!

Yours in Rotary,

Vice President Mike Mauger



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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

New Links

Great Australian Bike Ride

<http://www.australianrotaryhealth.org.au>

Peter Hyland - Urbis, Brisbane Office Market Review

http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/interesting_links.html

Members,

We are now well into 2009 and it would be remiss of us not to remind you about attracting and recruiting new members to the Club!

Invite them to lunch and introduce them to Michael Stephens, Don O'Donoghue or Wal Bishop and they will do the rest!

GUEST SPEAKERS

Monday March 23 2009

John Hoysted
Director of ERM Consultants



Meeting Review

9th March 2009

This week's meeting was attended by 25 members, two visiting Rotarians, one member's guest and one Club guest.

Chairman Mike Mauger, a last minute ring-in for Ron Dixon, welcomed those attending asking all to say grace and proposed the loyal toast and toast to Rotary International. He then welcomed President Michael to the rostrum.

Pres Michael said that he was happy that he was able to make it this week as it was a busy time with the Premier on the campaign trail, but said he would definitely not be available next week as it was the last week of the election campaign! He again welcomed all to the meeting and introduced our guests:

- Rtn Colin Scobie - The Rotary Club of Redcliffe Sunrise
- Rtn Roberta Gordon - The Rotary Club of Noosa Heads
- John Mower - Guest of James Delahunty
- Peter Hyland - Guest Speaker

Pres Michael mentioned the celebrations at two of our sister clubs, Kobe East, of which all were aware and the signing ceremony on 14th April; but also he had received an invitation to the 25th Charter Anniversary (16th April) of the Rotary Club of Taipei Tatung and 22nd District Conference (18 & 19 April, 2009) and encouraged any member, who could, to attend.

Chairman Mike then called for spots:

- Brian Carss gave members a short background on the levels of Rotary membership and classifications. As of the 2001 Council on Legislation, only two membership categories exist: active and honorary. Rotarians who have retired may retain the same classification, but they aren't counted in the total number of members in a classification. A Rotarian cannot be an honorary member in one club and an active member in another. Due to the ever-changing landscape of professional work and the unique commercial environments in which Rotary clubs are located, Rotary no longer keeps a standard list of classifications on file. Clubs are encouraged to create their own classification lists by using their local phone books, chambers of commerce, or other business directories. Classifications aren't rigid and can reflect the many types of professions and positions that exist in industries. Take the classification of law, for example; this standard classification can be broken down into criminal law, tax law, intellectual property law, and other fields. Notwithstanding, classifications are on loan e.g. if a member retires with the classification of Banking Administration a new member in that profession and field make take up that classification.

- Keith Watts gave an update on the final outcome for 2008 wine sales:
 Feathertop Chardonnay - 39 cases sold, sales revenue \$7,080, estimated profit after GST \$2,538.45.
 Adelphi Shiraz - 59 cases sold, sales revenue \$8,810, estimated profit after GST \$2,827.94.

He also mentioned that John Smerdon had agreed to look after Warren Hampton's group of sister clubs and would look after them all whilst he was away.

- Mel Evans drew members' attention to the Member list in circulation regarding the play '39 Steps' a comedy currently running in London to rave reviews. The opening night on 29 April is in support of the Leukaemia Foundation. Indications of attendance are required and tickets will be booked on 31 March. Full details are in the Calendar section.

Chairman Mike asked members to recognise by acclamation the efforts of Keith Watts, together with Wal Bishop, David Cain, Don O'Donoghue.

Chairman Mike then introduced Roberta Gordon from the Rotary Club of Noosa Heads who was taking part in The Great Australia Bike Ride. The Ride is a unique around Australia journey which aims to raise awareness and funds for mental health education and research programs conducted by Australian Rotary Health. Roberta, who will be only one of four to do the whole trip of some 17,813 km, is seeking sponsorship. Pres Michael announced that the Club would sponsor Roberta in the sum of \$350. Individual members can provide sponsorship by accessing the website. See New Links.

Without giving the members and guests time to pause, Chairman Mike introduced our guest speaker Peter Hyland from Urbis who gave us an update on the Brisbane Office Market. He explained the current economic situation and then explained the Brisbane CBD and Brisbane Near City situations in context. His presentation can be accessed through New Links.

Chairman Mike thanked him for his excellent presentation and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Chairman Mike then introduced Sergeant-at-Arms Tony Love, who also thanked Roberta and Peter for their presentations. Tony made mention of the presence of James Delahunty and fined him accordingly! He then extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions. The winner of the 'Find the Joker' raffle this week was Cam Bishop, who won a bottle of wine. There was no card drawn this week as things have not yet 'got back to normal' - no cards!!! The jackpot stands at approximately \$750, plus Monday's raffle share.

Good Luck.

CALENDAR

"39 Steps"
 Winner Best New Comedy -
 Laurence Olivier Award 2007
Where:
 Twelfth Night Theatre
When:
 29 April 2009 8.00pm
Opening Night Tickets
 \$49.90
in aid of the
 Leukemia Foundation
Closing date for tickets
31 March 2009
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Signing of the Sister
Club agreement between
the Rotary Club of
Brisbane and the Rotary
Club of Kobe East.
Tuesday 14th April 2009
Kobe, Japan
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ROSTER

Monday 23rd March 2009

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	S Francis
Set Up	P Gresham
Put Away	G Sellers
Raffle	J Worrell
Visitor Register	G McHarrie
Fellowship	J Puddick
Attendance	B Esler
Leave of absence	G Whitmore
Assistant	J Smerdon

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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