



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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23 Dean Road
Alexandra Hills Qld 4161

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

MONDAYS

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

OFFICERS

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

District 9600
Club Number 17787
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District Governor
Carolyn Krueger

Rotary International President
Kalyan Banerjee

President's Message

Welcome Rotarians and friends.

Firstly, I would like to apologise both for having to leave this week's meeting early and also for the lack of a president's message in last week's bulletin. Both issues are related to the fact that I have been working on a particularly urgent matter, which has resulted in a string of 18 hour days and culminated with the need to make an urgent call to an inventor in the US on Monday. Irrespective of the excuses, this has not been presidential behaviour, and I'm sure our Sergeant-At-Arms Cam Bishop will be extracting a suitable fine from me at the next meeting.

In any event, the issue has now been resolved, so hopefully I will be able to focus more on Rotary for the next week, which is fortunate given how big a week this will be for the club.

In particular, the Pride in Workmanship awards will be hosted at the lunch meeting on Monday. Rotarian Greg Burnett has put a significant amount of work into organising this event, so it is important that as many of us as possible attend as acknowledgement both of Greg's efforts, and the achievements of the award nominees.

Following this, on Wednesday evening we have the dinner for potential new members. I believe that this event is critical to the future of the club as attendances at club meetings have been falling steadily in recent years, and we need to reverse this trend if the club is to continue. Thanks to the efforts of a number of members who have jumped in to assist this last week, we have managed to rally the troops and at this stage we should have 41 (sorry make that 42, we have just had another acceptance as I type) people attending the dinner, including eighteen potential new members.

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WHAT'S ON?
17 October:

RCOB Pride of Workmanship Awards

Date Claimers

17 October 2011
RCOB Pride of Workmanship Awards
Lunch, Brisbane Club

19 October 2011
Potential New Members 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?





Despite these good numbers, there is always room for more, and given that we want the new members to gain the impression of a dynamic and vibrant club, I would urge all of those who have not yet confirmed attendance to do so as soon as possible. Please also remember that you are more than welcome to bring partners or friends, just let me know as soon as possible so I can organise seating.

As far as the format for the evening is concerned, the dinner will be held in the Edinburgh Room, with drinks and informal mingling from 6:30, and seating for dinner at 7pm. Rotarian Wal Bishop will be acting as chair for the evening, and will have a few words to say regarding the benefits of being a Rotarian. I will also have a message myself, and then our Sergeant-At-Arms Cam Bishop will close the night out. I am still considering the plan a work in progress, and something I need to consider further over the weekend, so if anyone has any suggestions, please let me know.

In any event, I appreciate the support shown to date, and with more effort, I think we can make this a great night for the club.

President Alistair

Rotary Meeting 10 October 2011

The Chairman Michael Stevens welcomed P Alistair who again requested members to support the Club by making a really special effort for more of our own members to attend the Prospective Member's Dinner on the night of Wednesday 19th October. We want to make the prospective members welcome and give them reasons to want to join in the wonderful work of Rotary. Alistair also requested a good attendance at next Monday's meeting for the Pride of Workmanship Award Presentation lunch. P Alistair welcomed as visitors two Rotarians from Italy. Francesco Parotti was an engineer from the Milano- Ovest Club, who had worked overseas as an engineer and project manager in many different countries.

His friend Giuseppe Pantano, accompanied by his wife and daughter, was a diplomat who had served in many countries, but most recently in Teheran in Iran. He had very warm feelings and sympathy for the Persian people. In his early days as a diplomat in South America he had used his love of cooking to host a TV food show and had become so successful that they had raised money for charities through his efforts. He promised to send us copies of highlights of the shows. He urged Rotarians who travelled abroad to visit local Clubs as there was a lot to be gained personally. Banners were exchanged. Another visitor was Sharyn Sinclair-Hancocks from Brisbane Highrise.

Our speaker was our former SAA Tony Love, who gave us an impressive power point presentation on his trip from Sydney to Hobart on the yacht race last year, followed by his dream of a trip around the west coast of Tasmania on his ship Patriot, after the race, with a small crew of only six. The dream was to have a baked dinner, featuring a 2kg fillet of beef, with a glass of red wine as far up the Franklin River as they could navigate. Tony's talk was illustrated with wonderful pictures of the Patriot at sea during the race, and of the wild and beautiful wilderness of the Tasmanian west coast and King Island on the way home. Tony made it all seem so easy. As he said of a picture of the crew enjoying the dream dinner on the Franklin – "it does not get much better than this".

SAA Cam Bishop was not feeling well but made a special effort to attend Tony's talk. 22 attended the meeting including 5 guests.

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

17 October:

RCOB Pride of Workmanship Awards

24 October:

David Jones
Submarines in Brisbane River
(commentary on US Navy during war years in Brisbane)

31 October:

TBA

7 November:

Russell Parker
The Kyeema Foundation::
Rural Poultry in SE Asia
Villages

Roster

17 October 2011

President A Smith
Chairman G Burnett
Set Up/Away L Jacobson
Raffle R Tamaschke
Visitor Register R Scanlon
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

24 October 2011

President A Smith
Chairman K Jenkins
Set Up/Away R McCormack
Raffle L Stally
Visitor Register L Robinson
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

31 October 2011

President A Smith
Chairman M Kelly
Set Up/Away P Ryan
Raffle K Watts
Visitor Register G Sellers
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

7 November 2011

President A Smith
Chairman P Little
Set Up/Away R Scanlon
Raffle M Winders
Visitor Register C Shepherd
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

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Rotary Club of Brisbane Notice of Election of Officers for 2012/2013

In accordance with Article 1 Section 1 of the Club Bylaws, I invite nominations by members of the Club for President 2012/2013 and for President 2013/14 and the following officers and directors for 2012/13: Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Sgt-at-arms and up to 7 directors.

In accordance with the Bylaws, nominations may be presented by a nominating committee or by nominations from the floor, by either or by both, as the Club may determine. I propose that nominations may be presented by both, and that the nominating committee comprise 5 members, of whom one is the President.

This requires a decision of the Club, and I move that the Club agree that nominations may be presented by both a nominating committee and by nominations from the floor, and that the nominating committee comprise 5 members, of whom one is the President.

If approved, I call for nominations for 4 members of the nominating committee, to close with the Secretary Monday 31/10/11 at 1.15 PM.

The election of officers must be held before 31 December 2011 under Article IV Section 1 of the Bylaws, and notice is hereby given that the election of officers will be held at a special general meeting to coincide with the regular meeting of the Club on Monday 5 December 2011.

President Alistair
17 October 2011