



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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23 Dean Road
Alexandra Hills Qld 4161

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(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
Post Office Square
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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

By way of an update on the new members' dinner and follow up, Rotarian Michael Stevens has been in touch with Paul Clough, who has confirmed he will be joining.

I have contacted Steven Brown who has indicated he will be joining in due course, but has some travel commitments over the next few months, so this is unlikely to be until July. In the meantime, as part of Brisbane TVs marketing, Steven has promised the club up to 40 cinema tickets for us to use as we see fit. I will be taking Steven up on this offer, and we can discuss how we wish to use these.

Wally Wight has also confirmed he is hoping to join, but again this will not be immediately due to current work commitments. Wally has however offered to come and speak to the club, and I will organise this, so we will at least see Wally again soon.

Finally, Wes and I have been playing phone tag, but hopefully we will get to talk sometime and I am hoping we can confirm he will join soon.

On to other news, following my request on Monday for a volunteer to organise a social event, Rotarian Mel Evans has confirmed he will take on this role. We are looking into a brewery tour, and Mel has suggested we try and coordinate this with the first Reds game of next year. Something I think we can all look forward to.

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WHAT'S ON?

21 November:

Patrick Caragata
*The Impact of
the Global
Financial Crisis
on House Prices*

Date Claimers

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?





Rotarian Mike Kelly has also indicated he will look into arranging a speaker from Rotary Foundation, so we can investigate what funding we could arrange for Russell's chicken program, which Russell spoke about at our recent meeting.

Rotarian Dougal gave us a timely reminder in last Monday's meeting that we need consider fund raising activities. I would like a volunteer that can help take the lead on this, so please see me if you would like to assist.

We have a board meeting Monday, so please let me know if there is anything you wish to have raised at this meeting. I would also like to remind you that Rotarian Patrick Caragata will be speaking at Monday's meeting regarding the impact of the current financial climate on house prices in Australia. Something I think will be of interest to us all.

President Alistair

**Rotary Meeting
14 November 2011**

The Chairman Mel Evans introduced P Alistair who welcomed our guests Malcolm Campbell from the Rotary Club of Amsterdam International, and a prospective member Frank Alpert. Spots were given by Patrick Caragata who will be our speaker next week. Patrick will speak on the impact of the global financial crisis on house prices in Australia.

Phil Little spoke on the success of the potential member's dinner and on the necessity to get anyone who showed interest in becoming a member signed up without delay. Phil would also appreciate some assistance from a couple of volunteers to help him organise social functions he has planned for the Club.

Our Club Treasurer Dougal Cameron spoke on the finances of the Club. We have raised essential finance this year with the Golf Day and the very successful raffle sponsored by Wal Bishop, but we need to raise more money currently to meet the Club's financial commitments, and an increase in member numbers was part of the strategy to keep unit costs down and make the Club financially viable. Graeme Whitmore assured members that a Golf Day was being planned for next year.

There was no guest speaker, but Malcolm Campbell, who is a regular visitor to our Club, spoke on his contact with a fellow Rotary ham radio enthusiast from Lockyer Waters, who at present is President of the Gatton Rotary Club. Malcolm was able to use this contact to help a young researcher from the Netherlands, who is currently in Queensland to study how we coped with the devastating floods earlier, to see how our experience could help the Dutch, if they experienced a similar disaster. Malcolm spoke of the success his Club had had with co-sponsored international projects involving the Rotary Foundation and private charitable foundations. We were familiar with their clean water projects in Africa, but his Club now has, in partnership with the RC of Bangkok South, begun a clean drinking water in schools project in Thailand involving a reverse osmosis process. Malcolm also invited our Club to participate in a micro finance project that provided female goats to struggling families in Southern India.

SAA Cam Bishop welcomed PP Mike Kelly back to the Club after his extensive trip to New Zealand.

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

21 November:
Patrick Caragata
Global Financial Crisis and its impact on house prices

28 November:
TBA

5 December:
Bas Veal
Character Housing in QLD

Roster

21 November 2011
President A Smith
Chairman T Love
Set Up/Away C Shepherd
Raffle P Caragata
Visitor Register L Stally
Attendance B Esler
 G Whitmore

28 November 2011
President A Smith
Chairman C Morman
Set Up/Away J Smerdon
Raffle P Anderson
Visitor Register R Tamaschke
Attendance B Esler
 G Whitmore

5 December 2011
President A Smith
Chairman P Dawson
Set Up/Away L Spano
Raffle G Cause
Visitor Register K Watts
Attendance B Esler
 G Whitmore

12 December 2011
President A Smith
Chairman C Muir
Set Up/Away L Stally
Raffle J Delahunty
Visitor Register R McCormack
Attendance B Esler
 G Whitmore

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