



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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A global network of community volunteers

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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	Michael Stephens
Treasurer	Dougal Henderson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cameron Bishop

District 9600
Club Number 17787
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor
Carolyn Krueger

Rotary International President
Kalyan Banerjee

President's Message

Welcome Rotarians and friends

For all of those who attended, Monday was a very enjoyable meeting, and this will be reported in more detail in the remainder of the bulletin. However, I did just want to flag that Greg left his watch on the lectern, so if someone has this, could you let me know.

In the meantime, I thought it would be worth reporting on a few issues following the PETs (President Elects Training) seminar on the weekend.

Firstly, the structure of the clusters has now been revised, with our cluster group including the Mid-City, High-Rise and Fortitude Valley Clubs, and with Lisa Bateson acting as our new Assistant District Governor. We are hoping to work more closely as a cluster, including having a joint approach to public relations, and I will keep members updated as plans progress.

Websites of the other cluster clubs are listed below:

- http://www.rotaryclubofbrisbanemidcity.org/content/standard_c1_v2.asp?name=Home
- <http://www.rotarybrisbanehighrise.com/>
- <http://www.valleyrotary.org.au/>

As a district, we are part of the Future Vision pilot program, which is trialling the new grant program offered by the Foundation, and all clubs were encouraged to look closely at whether we can apply for a grant for any projects. Details of the future vision program and grants can be found via the following links:

- <http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/RunningADistrict/FutureVisionPilotProgram/Pages/ridefault.aspx>
- http://www.rotary.org/en/members/runnimgadistrict/futurevisionpilotprogram/pages/fv_global_grants.aspx

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Date Claimers

24th April:
Annual Golf Day
Northlakes Resort Course
Brisbane



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?





One of the first tasks I am going to set for the new Rotary Foundation committee will be to look into these and ascertain if we could apply. In this regard, I note we had the talk before Christmas from Russell Parker in relation to his chicken project in the Solomon Islands, and this may prove to be an appropriate project.

This will of course require us to raise funds, so if anyone has any suggestions in this regard, let me know. It has also been apparent from discussions with some of our new members, that it would be good to have a more hands-on project. I'm not suggesting that everyone follow the lead of Mike O'Donnell with a trip up Kilimanjaro, but any bright ideas would be appreciated.

We have also been encouraged to put together a strategic plan for the club, based on the three year plan for the district. Strategic planning is certainly not something I am familiar with, so I am looking for a volunteer to take the lead on this.

On to other matters, the club's 89th Birthday will be on Tuesday 29th May. I would like to make Monday lunch time a birthday celebration, so please keep this date in your diaries. It would be great if as many members as possible can attend, and also consider bringing along a guest. Let's make this a big lunch! We are also hoping to that members of Taipei Tatung Rotary Club will be able to join us for our 90th anniversary next year, and Keith is currently in correspondence with about them about this.

As mentioned during Monday's meeting, as part of PETs I was asked to prepare an elevator pitch that we can use to spruik rotary. I am setting this out at the end of the message, so please feel free to try this out on prospective members, and remember, you have a captive market at the Golf Day on Tuesday!

Finally, I would like to thank Cam for his impressive efforts as Sergeant-At-Arms on Monday, raising nearly \$150. It is particularly pleasing to see that Cam is continuing to fine himself for all the advertising of Sarabah Estate, and given how much we are getting from this, latest projections are that the club will be supported entirely by fines from Cam somewhere in late 2014. Keep up the good work!

Yours in Rotary,

President Alistair

Elevator Pitch:

Rotary is a network of individual clubs with an overriding principle of 'Service above Self'. Each of these clubs can operate independently, but in conjunction, to allow many great achievements to be realized.

For example, Rotary was the driving power in the establishment of PolioPlus, which in 25 years has reduced polio to a mere few hundred new cases a year. Our own club was the first to be established in Qld, back in 1923, and has been involved in many varied and wonderful projects, including assisting in the establishment of the Queensland Society for Crippled Children, International House at the University of Queensland, and the Queensland Surf Life Saving Foundation, as well as assisting in the construction of a Therapeutic Pool Complex at the Montrose Home for Crippled Children. Our most recent project is the provision of scholarships to homeless or at risk young people via Brisbane Youth Service, which has seen a number of recipients gain employment as a direct result of qualifications earned through the program.

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Calendar

23 April:
Fellowship

30 April:
*R Buttenshaw
Rio Tinto Ride for Cancer
(TBC)*

7 May:
NO MEETING

Roster

23 April 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman J Delahunty
Set Up/Away C Shepherd
Raffle R Johnstone
Visitor Register W Bishop
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

30 April 2012:

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

7 May 2012:
LABOUR DAY

14 May 2012:

President A Smith
Chairman G Burnett
Set Up/Away H Milne
Raffle A Gillespie
Visitor Register B Veal
Attendance B Esler
G Whitmore

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

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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.



President's Message (continued)

Thus, the magic of Rotary is that it allows ordinary people to achieve the most extraordinary things. Not only that, Rotary allows members to develop business networking opportunities, build lifelong friendships, and experience personal growth in an organization that is respected worldwide for its high values and standards.

On that note, I would like to invite you to one of our club meetings, which are held on Mondays at 12:15pm at the Brisbane Club.

Rotary Meeting 16 April 2012

Chairman of the day, Rick Tamaschke called the meeting to order and led members in Grace. He proposed the traditional toasts to the Queen and the People of Australia and Rotary International. He added additional toasts to our guests of the day who numbered 5.

President Alistair informed members that he attended PETS a second time seeing that he will be our president next year too. A number of items raised at PETS:

- 1 There was a new cluster formed and we were now grouped with Fortitude Valley and Mid-City
- 2 The District Strategic Plan had been distributed and is available to any member.
- 3 We were encouraged to apply for District grants

President Alistair also brought the Club structure to member's attention. Copies of this were circulated at the meeting. It is the Club birthday on 29th May and he expressed a wish to hold a function. He sought input as to whether it should be a lunchtime or evening affair. There will be a social visit to Cam's vineyard to be scheduled.

On the call for spots by the Chairman, Keith Watts continued to speak the availability of Cam's Rose.

Michael Stephens announced a Board meeting next week. Graeme Whitmore speaking about the Golf Day said that we had 85 registered players. More are welcome. Graeme also said that all players would get an umbrella courtesy of QED. Wal Bishop brought members up to-date with the collection of toiletries etc. for Brisbane Youth Services. Jim Delahunty and Phil Gresham are to all be thanked for their efforts.

We had a team of guest speaker's to-day from the Mater Cancer Prostate Research, Michael O'Connell, Stephen Wills and Greg Beard. The last has a responsibility for fundraising.

Michael began with a few facts: People, particularly men should have annual checks after the age of 50; take note of any URTI or sexual dysfunction. He emphasized that early detection gave a 95% survival chance. He also quoted statistics that by the age of 85 1 in 2 men and 1 in 3 women will be affected with prostate cancer.

As part of the team's fund raising efforts, they are planning to climb Mt Kilimanjaro which has a height of 5895 mtrs. The expedition will take place during the period 23rd August to 5th September and hope to reach the summit on the 6th September. They have a target of \$30,000 and this is for the sake of future generations.

In the Sergeant's spot, Cam paid for the blatant advertising of his Rose wine and then welcomed all guests that included Debbie Hancock and Penny Smythe. He also fined anyone who was not a third generation member of the Club. He of course was the only one so everyone had to pay. Anyone who had climbed Kilimanjaro was also excused - not to many of them, making it a good day for the Sergeant.

The Raffle was won by Gerard. 22 members attended and we had 5 guests

Rotary Segment Fifth Decade 1955/65 (Part 1) 16 April 2012 By Brian Carss

As this decade seems to have been a very busy one, I have split it into two in order to meet my 2 minute deadline

There were two notable visitors to our Club in 1955/56. The first was the President of RI A.Z Baker and his wife Cornelia, in the evening there was a dinner and rally. I am not sure what the rally consisted of as there is no further information on it. The other visitor was PPRI Sir Angus Mitchell of the RC Melbourne. You will recall that Sir Angus was instrumental in the establishment of our Club.

Carl Bishop was elected president in 1956 which was the year that the Pacific Regional Conference was held in Sydney and was presided over by the RI President Paul Lang.

Three of our members were honoured by the Queen, Manual Hornibrook and Bob Wainwright with O.B.Es and George Rees with and M.B.E.

To a great extent, Carl's year was devoted to Fellowship with functions including river trips, bowls afternoons, Square dancing, a visit to the Paul's Theatre and a Christmas party at the Wanganui Gardens. This resulted lunch attendances being at an all-time high. The Club did not do much fund-raising but obviously members had a good time.

In the following year the major Community Service project was the establishment of the 'Old People's Welfare Council of Queensland'. The Club's members subscribed 1000 pounds to inaugurate the Council which had our Honorary Rotarian Sir Alan Mansfield as its patron.

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Fifth Decade 1955/65 (Part 1)
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It was also during this year that PD Governor Bert Broad completed his history of our Club dating back to its 1923 beginning.

The 1958/59 year was another fellowship year which seems to have been very popular back then in that attendances at lunch were the highest ever with an average of just over 83%.

This being the Queensland Centenary Year, it was decided by the Club's Board to use the opportunity for a "Gundoo Week" to be held on the occasion of the visit of Princess Alexandra in September 1959. I have already described "Gundoo" in an earlier segment when I talked about the development of RYLA.

The major project for Sir Arnold Bennett's 1959/60 year was the arranging and holding of the 'Health for Youth' Carnival at the Exhibition Grounds. The Carnival involved many groups including Empire Speedway, the QLD Amateur Wrestling Union, The Police Department, the Dept. of Native Affairs, the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, the QLD Judo Council, Y.M.C.A., The QLD Girls Marching Assoc., Girl Guides and Boy Scouts.

The Carnival included a main ring program of Boxing, Gymnastics, Side Shows, Refreshments and BBQs lasting from 10am to 10:30pm all the while being entertained by the Police Citizens Boys Band. The event was a great success raising some 3400 pounds.

During the year the weekly meetings were changed from Lennons Hotel to the Jacaranda Room in the Canberra Hotel and to celebrate the change a Christmas Part and Family Night was held on the 7th December.

In President Arnold's year one of our members Manual Hornibrook was knighted and Dick Murray received an O.B.E and Cec Grimley an M.B.E. Another of our members Victor Grenning was the recipient of the N.W.Jolly Memorial of the Institute of Foresters. He had been the Director of Forests in QLD since 1932. Still another member was honoured when PDG John Peden was elected to the Finance Committee of RI. Towards the end of the year, Carl Bishop was elected District Governor for the 1960/61 year.

This ends Part 1. Part 2 will follow at a subsequent meeting.
