



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

23 February 2009

President's Message

Dear Fellows,

Should you be reading this I ask you refer fellow members to this week's Presidents report, as follows.

MEMBERSHIP

The RCOB is a great and long standing institution it is an honour to be a member of such an organisation. The board of the RCOB is a group of your fellow members who have volunteered to help with the mechanics and organisation of your club. The club itself relies on every member to contribute. I implore all members to do as much as they can to support the Rotary Club of Brisbane and in doing so, supporting Rotary as a worldwide organisation.

Criticism and complaint are matters for customer service sections, the RCOB does not have such a section. We as Rotarians seek to serve.

Current times present challenge enough, so it seems likely we may need to think and behave in a very positive way, to move forward.

As President I will be at our meeting on Monday 23rd February 2009 I look forward to seeing all fellow Rotarians and members of the Rotary Club of Brisbane at that meeting. I very much look forward to hearing from fellow members on how they are planning actions to contribute for your club and for Rotary.

President Michael Kelly

New Links

**Ray Crompton
Wesley Hospital
Redevelopment**

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 February 23 2009

John Cooper
Avid Sports Management



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(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
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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



Meeting Review

16th February 2009

This week's meeting was attended by 24 members and two visiting Rotarians, one of whom was the Guest Speaker..

Chairman Ron Barnwell welcomed those attending asking all to say grace and proposed the loyal toast and toast to Rotary International. He then welcomed Vice President Mike to the rostrum.

Vice Pres Mike gave apologies of Pres Michael who was detained on business in the far north of the State. He mentioned the challenges the country is having with the Bush Fires in Victoria and the floods in Northern Queensland. He said that the Club had pledged \$1,500 to District for the Bush Fire appeal and said that District would hold the funds until a suitable project was determined. Vice Pres Mike mentioned that Pres Michael would be leading a delegation to that event and that other members are welcome to attend. PP Mel mentioned that there were soon good fares to be had and that Frequent Flyer seats were available on Jet Star if any members were interested. Vice Pres Mike then introduced our guests:

- Rtn Tim Barker – The Rotary Club of Brisbane High Rise
- Rtn Ray Crompton – The Rotary Club of Brisbane High Rise and Guest Speaker.

Chairman Ron then called for spots of which he took one himself to inform members that DIK would again reopen for business on 21 February. However, this time there would be no pharmaceuticals and text books would be limited to Primary schooling and below. The main areas would be in school equipment (desks, chairs, etc.) and medical equipment.

After time for lunch and fellowship Chairman Ron welcomed Guest Speaker Ray Crompton to the rostrum. Ray, who is the Wesley Hospital Fundraising Development Manager gave some background to the hospital:

- The Wesley Hospital, then owned by the Methodist Church, opened on the Auchenflower site in 1977 with 300 beds.
- Prior to the Wesley, the Church owned the St Helen's Private Hospital at South Brisbane.
- The Wesley continues to be a 'values based' organisation, acknowledging respect for human dignity and worth.

The Wesley is guided by the following principles:

- Sustainable financial management
- Treating people with fairness and respect
- Safe and competent healthcare delivery
- Patient focus for optimal outcomes
- Self evaluation for performance improvement
- Effective partnerships for the organisation

The hospital was:

- One of Australia's leading hospitals
- 456 Beds – Tertiary referral status
- Queensland's most comprehensive range of medical services
- Brand – recognised for community service
- Community – State of Queensland and Northern New South Wales
- More than 50,000 patients per year
- \$160m Service Organisation

He said that the Wesley had a Corporate/Community Relationship with Rotary with:

- Rotary Lodge
- Bone Marrow Transplant Unit
- ROMAC
- "Opera in the Vineyard"
- Support to the Wesley Breast Clinic
- Breast MRI
- November/ December 2007

Ray said that Rotarians could be further involved with:

- Sponsor a room in East Wing
- Sponsorship - \$6,000 with naming rights
- Payable over 2 years
- The floor will be known as The Rotary Floor

Chairman Ron thanked Ray for his interesting and illuminating presentation and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation. Ray's full presentation can be found at New Links.

Vice Pres Mike then invited members to make a 'paper' donation to the Wesley, which would be matched by the Club. \$290 was donated by members for a full total of \$580 given to Ray. Chairman Ron then introduced Acting Sergeant-at-Arms Cam Bishop, who extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions. The winner of the 'Find the Joker' raffle this week was Stan Francis, but as the cards were not available last week, Steve Dunlop had the first pick – 9 of Spades – and Stan drew the 10 of Hearts. The jackpot stands at approximately \$575, plus Monday's raffle share.

Good Luck.

CALENDAR

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**

ROSTER

Monday 2nd March 2009

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	J Delahunty
Set Up	B Carrs
Put Away	M Stephens
Raffle	S Francis
Visitor Register	W Cunningham
Fellowship	H Milne
Attendance	B Esler
Leave of absence	G Whitmore
Assistant	J Smerdon

DATECLAIMER

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

secretary@brisbanerotary.org.au

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?