



# The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

24 November 2008



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

**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

### President's Message

Dear Fellows,

PDG Russ O'Malley presented to the club re Rotary membership at our last meeting and left us with some interesting points to think and possibly act on. It occurs to me that the main product we have to sell is Rotary all the forms it takes and the good Rotary achieves, maybe we have too varied a product but it would be hard to reduce our range.

May I remind you fellows of a Rotary Club of Brisbane Board meeting for next Tuesday 25th November 2008 at Loueys Italian Restaurant, Deakin Street, Kangaroo Point commencing at 1700hrs.

Particular thanks this week to Rotarian Keith Watts for his latest effort on the wine project and his continued contribution to the club through those activities. Thanks also to Rotarians Wal and Cam Bishop for use of premises to label and distribute the wine.

This week the might Wallabies return to Paris to take on the local team. Viva Australia-ee !!

Make Dreams Real and see you on Monday for RCOB regular meeting.

*President Michael Kelly*

### Wine Labelling???

The following comments ensued from the Wine Labelling at Wal's Shed on the 12th of November! (Unattributed of course to protect the guilty!

Thanks for your help last night at the shed with the labelling, boxing and re boxing! (Marg).

Good news is we found homes for the last two bottles thanks to Keith's persistence and Mel's accurate sense of strength (he picked up a box and said "this one feels light!" We all scoffed but he was smack on the money. The short version is that Max W would have been short 2 bottles but for Mel.

The wine had power, depth and grace. Hints of sticky label and a finish of polymer cup! The palate was left refreshed and able to move more boxes of wine. Overall this wine is a well rounded drop which should appeal to Rotarians everywhere. Match with nibble snacks in a steel shed.... A great result.

lol ... \*\*\*\*\* and \*\*\*\*\* show the way with their witty repartee. Look out the Sergeant at Arms may be looking for recruits.

But, someone had to be serious ...

This is a delicate, lightly-wooded, cool climate Chardonnay which is at its best when not over chilled.

With appropriate retort ...

Sounds a little like you read it off the back of the bottle ... how very formal. As I am no wine guru, I was looking to encourage others to indulge in the purchase of a carton. Keith has indicated that he has access to a couple more cases. If I may, I would like to use your opinion to encourage others in the club to purchase. Your synopsis of the wine will not be the only one I use!

What did the rest of us miss??? Obviously the wine!

### New Links

**Family Christmas Party Attendance Form**

<http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/calendar-events.html>

**Membership PowerPoint Presentation**

[http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/interesting\\_links.html](http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/interesting_links.html)

Members,

It's almost time for the festive break, so why not make the coming weeks a time for you to bring a friend or friends along for that 'thank you' lunch?

They may enjoy the experience enough to want to join and of course, we will welcome them.



### GUEST SPEAKERS

Monday 24 November 2008

Jim Worrall  
Modern Surveying

Monday 01 December 2008

Dr Chris Day  
Clinical Psychologist



**Meeting Review**  
**17th November 2008**

We had a better turnout of members this week with 27 attending, one visiting Rotarian, one member's guest and one member's spouse.

Chairman Chris Muir welcomed those attending and then asked all to say grace and proposed the loyal toast and the toast to Rotary International. He then welcomed President Michael to the rostrum.

Pres Michael again welcomed all to the meeting and, in particular, PDG and District 9600 Membership Chairman, Russ O'Malley. He mentioned in passing the success of the Wallabies over the old enemy and also mentioned the storm that had battered areas of Brisbane last evening.

He also gave thanks to Keith Watts for his superb efforts on the wine front. Last week's labelling was a great success and a good deal of the wine has been purchased. He then introduced our other guests to the meeting:

- Lee Robinson – Guest of Darren Phillips

- Cynthia Manning – wife of Clarrie Manning

Chairman Chris then called for spots.

- Max Winders said that he and Bas Veal had formed a group of interested Rotarians to lobby for funds to assist in the repair of Brisbane City Hall and that any members interested should contact Bas or himself.

- Dougal Henderson said that Christmas Fare in the manner of Christmas Cakes, Cherry Cakes, Christmas Puddings (\$12) and Pickles (\$15) should be ordered now.

- Keith Watts thanked all who assisted in the labelling of the Chardonnay on November 12 at Wal's Shed. There is still some available at \$180 per case (\$190 delivered) and also some Shiraz at a reduced price of \$120 (\$130 delivered).

After time for lunch and fellowship, Chairman Chris introduced our Guest Speaker, PDG and District 9600 Membership Chairman, Russ O'Malley to talk on 'Overcoming the real obstacles to membership growth'. He started by say that he and his neighbours at The Gap had suffered from last evenings storm and that once he had met this commitment, it was back to cleaning up. He said that in his opinion there were five main obstacles to membership recruiting and retention - Our Club, Club spirit and Club environment; Getting our ASK into gear; Recruiting New Members; Increasing the visibility of our Rotary Clubs in our communities; and Our fear of change and our reluctance to accept change. He expanded on each of these areas and his full presentation can be seen on the web by following the link in 'New Links'.

Chairman Chris thanked Russ for his interesting and thought provoking talk and presented him with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Chairman Chris then introduced Sergeant-at-Arms Tony Love, he thanked Russ again and particularly thanked him in light of the storm damage and wished he and his community well on behalf of the Club. He then singled out Ron McLeod on celebrating 60 years in Rotary. He then told a few jokes and extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions. The ticket for the 'Find the Joker' raffle was drawn and this week's winner was Don O'Donoghue, who has already won an RCoB Polo Shirt, and drew the Four of Diamonds! The jackpot for next Monday stands at approximately \$400 plus this Monday's raffle share.

Good luck!

CALENDAR

**Family Christmas Party**

**When:**

Sunday, 14th December 2008 from 11 am

**Where:**

**Marjorie's Place**  
374 Grieve Road  
ROCHEDALE 4123

**What's provided?**

Food

Demonstration by Canine Helpers

Children's Play area

Swimming Pool

Santa!

**BYO: Drinks**

See attendance Form at 'New Links'

**ROSTER**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2008**

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	A Smith
Set Up	D Henderson
Put Away	G Sellers
Raffle	J Smerdon
Visitor Register	K Jenkins
Fellowship	R Buchannan
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

**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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