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The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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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
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District Governor
Carolyn Krueger

Rotary International President
Kalyan Banerjee

President's Message

Welcome Rotarians and friends

Monday's board meeting was a relatively brief affair, with little major on the agenda. It appears that the club is in a reasonable state financially, and with that in mind, I am hoping we can continue our involvement with Brisbane Youth Service scholarships over the next twelve months. I am also hopeful that we can consider another project, possibly in conjunction with a Rotary Future Vision grant, as mentioned in the bulletin last week. We are also committed to providing the funds for the City Hall Restoration fund, and Past President Bas will be taking the lead on organising a dinner to be held at City Hall once the refurbishment is complete.

Despite the current position of club finances, it is always good if we can raise further funds, so it was great that the Golf Day on Tuesday was such a success. I was unfortunately unable to attend for the whole day (although I'm sure at least one team was breathing a great sigh of relief that they weren't hampered by my handicap), but I was there when the teams returned and it was apparent from Phil's pictures and the chat at dinner that a good time was had by all.

I have to say it was a fantastic job by organisers Graeme and Michael, and I would also like to thank all the other members who helped out, played or cajoled others into playing. It is also important we acknowledge our sponsors and contributors, for without them the event would not be as profitable, so I am listing them below:

Gold Sponsor: Brookfield Multiplex

Silver: Rojay, QED Enterprises Pty Ltd, GLWONE Consulting Pty Ltd, Wallace Bishop Jewellers

Bronze: Donald Cant Watts Corke (Qld) Pty Ltd, E Laundry Pty Ltd, W T Partnership

Contributors of prizes & donations: Golf Gurus Aspley, Golf World Virginia, Devondale Dairy products, Fotofast, Don O'Donoghue, Chris Muir, Ian Winterburn, Go Golfing Gold Coast, North Lakes Resort Golf Club, Delahunty Chemists Qld

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What's On? 30 April:

R Buttenshaw
Rio Tinto Ride for
Cancer
(TBC)

Date Claimers

9th July:
Visit by incoming
District Governor Dai Mason

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?





Finally, I can confirm that the incoming District Governor Dai Mason will be paying our club a visit on Monday 9th July. I would like as many people as possible to attend, so please put this date in your diary. To assist Dai with scheduling, we will also be having a board meeting before our normal meeting that day and Secretary Michael will of course send a reminder before the event in that regard.

Yours in Rotary,

President Alistair



Rotary Meeting 23 April 2012

Chairman Wal Bishop called the meeting to order and led members in Rotary grace followed by toasts to the Queen and the People of Australia, and then Rotary International. President Alistair had only three items he wanted to bring to members attention:

1. The Anne Street Heritage walk which will end with a lunch at the Brisbane Club. Bas Veal expanded on this item in the Spots section by detailing that the walk would begin at the Cathedral with a viewing. Then on to the Masonic Temple and finishing at Primac House. It will be a not-for-profit event costing \$60 and includes lunch at the Brisbane Club.
2. Alistair announced the dinner being held for the visiting RI President and invited members to join him. Details are in the Bulletin.
3. Probably the most important was his call for ideas for a hands-on project. It did not need to be a fund raising activity. Anyone with ideas, please step forward with them.

Wal called for Spots. Graeme Whitmore advised members that he would contact all who had nominated for the Golf Day by email and indicated that it was anticipated to raise of the order of \$13,000. The Golf Day attracted 8 major sponsors, 1 Gold, 4 Silver and 3 Bronze. In addition to the major sponsors, a number of our members made individual contributions. Thanks to everyone for your support and generosity.

In the Rotary segment this week, Brian Carss resented a Power point presentation that he had put together describing one of our cooperative projects with the RC of Amsterdam International. He outlined the damage that had occurred as a result of a tsunami in the Indian Ocean to a fishing village in Sri Lanka. The village's whole fleet was destroyed and the fisherman faced a desolate future. Malcolm Campbell from RC of Amsterdam International described how they went about fundraising by means of a concert at which world famous artists performed free of charge plus a financial contribution from our Club. They were able to leverage the total amount to Euro 34,000 with the help of the Wildgeese Foundation, who trebled the amount raised by the two Rotary Clubs.

Amsterdam International managed the program from beginning to the end and made sure that there was no corruption in its administration and that value for money was achieved. Brian showed three slides of the new fleet of fishing boats and the blessing of the fleet by a priest. There was also one slide of the 10 recipients of the boats who were obviously very pleased.

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

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

7 May:
NO MEETING

14 May:
Olav Muurlink
Rotary Overseas Trip

Roster

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

21 May 2012:
President A Smith
Chairman L Spano
Set Up/Away B Carss
Raffle B Aldred
Visitor Register M Evans
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 Meeting (continued)

Cam Bishop in his Sergeant's segment began by thanking all the players taking part in the Golf Day and in particular to Graeme Whitmore and Michael Stephens for their efforts. He proceeded to fine all for not being golf participants; for not buying his Rose wine (only 5000 bottles to go Fellows) and for anything else he could think of on the spur of the moment. He was assisted by a new Apple iPad which he prominently displayed on the lectern as he went about his business. It would appear that not all members get a chance at being Chairman of the Day and why not? Dougal Henderson was dobbed in by someone unnamed.

The raffle was won by Max Winders who opted to take the bottle of Rose (only 4,999 to go now) instead of the monogrammed Club jersey.

The meeting finished dead on time.