



# The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

4 August 2008

## President's Message

Fellows,

Apologies for not being with you last on the 28th July (last meeting) matters of national importance. Thank-you to President-elect Mike for his assistance with getting things done that needed to be done.

It pleases me to report that the 08/09 Rotary Club of Brisbane board met on 22nd July at Loueys Italian Restaurant. At our club meeting on the 4th August I will report to the membership on some of the matters which we hope to accomplish. We hope to at least achieve a couple of hands on projects each quarter and maintain our ongoing commitments as the RCOB and to Rotary International.

Please look forward then to a Rotary Family Christmas gathering thanks to Marjorie, some Melbourne Cup tickets and the River Fire Breakfast cook on the 31st August, amongst other standard commitments.

Promotion of our weekly meetings and the roster of guest speakers is a key issue for us all to focus on this coming year. We hope to achieve greater things on this one. Thanks to those members who have given a lot of input and assistance already.

I was again in contact with Ian Wilson this week, he states he is travelling OK but is not able to join us for meetings in the near future. It is fantastic that he is still very interested in club affairs and goings on. All the best Ian.

Please peruse the upcoming events list included in this bulletin. Particularly mark down for attendance the visit of District Governor Wayne to our club due on the 11th August.

On matters non-Rotary but nationally important. Here's hoping the Wallabies can break that All Black long run at Eden Park, Auckland.

Let's Make Dreams Real.

President Michael Kelly

## The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

Meets 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
(Edinburgh Room)  
of the Brisbane Club  
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**MONDAYS**

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

District 9600  
Club Number 17787  
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor  
Steve Kruger

Rotary International  
President  
Wilfrid J. Wilkinson

## NEW LINKS

<http://www.ourfoundation.info>  
<http://www.helpenterprises.com.au/>  
<http://www.therapydogs.org.au/>

## GUEST SPEAKERS

4 August 2008

Lisa Devereaux and  
Raymond Low  
**The Bipolar  
Expedition**

11 August 2008

DG Wayne Morris  
District Governor 9600



**Meeting Review**

**28 July 2008**

Our attendance this week was very low, with only 23 members, and two members' guests. Chairman Bob Aldred welcomed those attending and asked all to say grace and then proposed the loyal toasts. He welcomed Vice President Mike Mauger to the rostrum.

Vice Pres Mike again thanked all those attending and welcomed our visitors:

- Jon Honey, guest of Phil Little
- Cynthia Manning, wife of Clarrie Manning

Vice Pres Mike said that the last Board Meeting had been a very useful one, but he would not steal Pres Michael's thunder and would only reiterate what he had covered in the Bulletin:

- ◆ The Board ratified the appointment of the following members as Trustees of the Rotary Club of Brisbane Benevolent fund:
  - Brian Carss
  - Henry Milne
  - Greg Sellars
  - John Smerdon

- ◆ Riverfestival 2008 – Sunday morning River Breakfast, Goodwill Bridge scheduled for 31st August. 20-25 Members needed to cook breakfasts.

Chairman Bob then called for spots:

Greg Sellars said that Ray Wilkie's daughter Linda had died and that the funeral was this week.

Michael Stephens did another promo on behalf of the Membership Committee and encouraged members to bring prospective members along to meetings.

Max Winders said that he had recently visited the Dalby Ethanol Refinery. He said that although the USA had some 170 such plants this was the first in Australia. However, he said that the Dalby plant used Sorghum which was an animal feed therefore not contributing to world food shortages. He said that the proposed refinery using sugar cane would probably not get up as it was economically unsound at this stage.

After some time for lunch and fellowship, Vice Pres Mike told members about the changes to the Bulletin. From next week, it will only be a two pager instead of four – the front page will be as it is now with the Club details, President's Message and the following week's Guest Speaker information. The second page will have the Meeting Review, Calendar items, next meetings Roster, Rotary Grace and the Four Way Test – and it will be printed in colour (you should be reading it now!). Finally, we will try to get it out to members by Thursday of each week!

Vice Pres then welcomed Alison Sandy to the rostrum and she commenced her talk with a potted history of her life in journalism which she enjoyed immensely. She had seven years with Quest newspapers in Brisbane, then went to Adelaide on the Sunday Mail for a year, followed by two years with Channel Nine in Adelaide and has now returned to Brisbane with the Courier Mail. She explained that the editorial process at the Courier mail was quite different from what she had been used to with the daily round of editorial meeting starting at 10 am and the requirement to meet deadlines for three editions, the State, City and Late City editions. Asked why there were so few 'good news stories' she said that there was so much news available that such stories had to have a specific edge to them sometimes even 'quirky!' Asked what she thought about the new Liberal National party and Laurence Springborg, she said that she thought it would be a good thing for Queensland politics after such a long time to get it going. She was thanked by acclamation from the members and by Chairman Bob, who then introduced Sergeant-at-Arms Tony.

Sergeant-at-Arms Tony again thanked Alison and also mentioned the attendance of Marjorie Herrington and Cynthia Manning. Football received a mention, a win and a loss for Brisbane teams, plus a discussion between Tony and Chairman Bob on the Sea Eagles demise at the hands of the Rabbits! He then regaled us with a few jokes and extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions. He then drew the ticket for the raffle and the winner was Wal Bishop, who won a bottle of RCoB wine.

Good luck!

**CALENDAR**

**Monday 11th August 2008**

Visit by District Governor  
9600  
**DG Wayne Morris**  
Rotary Club of Honiara

**Sunday 31st August 2008**

**RIVERFESTIVAL 2008**  
Sunday River Breakfast  
8 am – 11 am  
Goodwill Bridge

*(About 20 – 25 members will be required to assist)*

**ROSTER**

**Monday 11th August 2008**

President	M Mauger
Chairperson	K Jenkins
Set Up	C Morman
Put Away	P Gresham
Raffle	R Buchanan
Visitor Register	C Muir
Fellowship	J Smerdon
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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