



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

Founded 29 May 1923 Club 17787

7 March 2011



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

MONDAYS

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

OFFICERS

President	Bas Veal
President Elect	Alistair Smith
Imm Past President	Michael Mauger
Vice President	Keith Watts
Secretary	Bob Aldred
Treasurer	Dougal Henderson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cameron Bishop

District 9600
Club Number 17787
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor
Chris Wood

Rotary International President
Ray Klingensmith

President's Message

Good afternoon fellow Rotarians and Guests

Welcome to the Brisbane Rotary Club lunch meeting.

I am sad to report that former District Governor and Past President of our Club, Ian Wilson has passed away. Ian was a very dedicated Rotarian and until his health deteriorated worked tirelessly for this Club and World Wide Rotary. He will be greatly missed by all who were fortunate to have been associated with him. Our thoughts are with his wife, Jocelyn and family and the funeral will be held at the Centenary Memorial Gardens at Wacol this Friday at 3.00pm.

Wal Bishop's *Diamond Ring* raffle is up and running and tickets should be available today. We have to make this a successful venture and sell tickets to friends, colleagues and business associates. Once again, the Club thanks Wal for his very generous gift of the raffle prize. With only 399 tickets for sale, the odds of winning are very high. Stan Francis who is chairing the raffle committee will advise where tickets can be obtained.

Past District Governor, Bill Waterfield's donations-in-kind roster has been received and our Club has no commitment until after June this year – date to be notified.

Yesterday morning I attended a cluster meeting chaired by Assistant District Governor, Peter Sullivan. Peter is stepping down from this role next year and the new Assistant District Governor for 2011/12 is Alan Stephens. All the Clubs in the cluster appear to be inducting new members.

As members may recall, we gave \$75,000 to the Canine Helpers over a three-year period. There appears to have been some internal problems with Secretary Kate and some other members resigning. This week I contacted Chris Hargreaves, a lawyer who now chairs the organisation and he has informed me that the organisation is now back on track. Our financial commitment to the Canine Helpers has been completed.

President Bas



September 18

the heart of business
GALA DINNER

Gold Day
April 14

WHAT'S ON?
7th March

Bob Newton
The Science Experience



WELCOME SONG

Here's my hand in yours, here's your hand in mine

*While a welcome thus we say;
Firm as our wheel fitted cog to cog
Be the friendship formed this day.*

Dear be the principles for which we stand,

*And our four-fold service pay
As we work for a world wide fellowship
in the good old RO-TA-RY way.*

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?



Review of Meeting 28th February 2011

The meeting was opened by Rotarian Greg Sellers (who stepped in at the last moment) with Rotary Grace and the toasts to The Queen and Rotary International. Greg then introduced President Bas.

- Welcome back (finally) to the Brisbane Club for our weekly meetings after the Brisbane Floods.
 - Past President (PP) Wal Bishop has donated a diamond ring valued at over \$6,000.00 for a prize for a raffle with the proviso that the Club can sell 399 tickets @\$60.
 - Rotary is sending Shelter boxes to Christchurch.
 - A big thank you to PP Mike Kelly for organising such a great luncheon and visit at Police Headquarters last Monday. All our members escaped at the end of proceedings (greeted with applause).
 - At the resumed AGM later in the meeting we will have all our Directors for the Rotary Year 2011-12 in place. We are still seeking a President-Elect.
 - Rotarian Michael Stephens has done a great job with membership with three new members awaiting induction.
 - Remember as Rotarians we are here to help others not as lucky as us.
 - Bas welcomed visiting Rotarians:
 - Fernando Escilldenro (Vitoria Club in Spain). Fernando swapped a Club banner with President Bas.
 - Gerard Holtman from Germany and
 - Brisbane Cluster Chair Peter Sullivan (Albany Creek).
- and guests:
- Susan Graystone – guest of Rotarian Kevin Jenkins
 - Samuel Balow, guest of Michael Stephens.
 - 20 members are in attendance as well.

Spots

- PP Wal Bishop then sought and received acceptance of his provisos over the donation of a 2-carat diamond ring. He proposed the sale of 399 tickets @ \$60.00, but this was reduced to \$50.00. The raffle would be conducted by Rotarian Stan Francis
- Stan recommended that as well as the big draw for the ring, the Club should consider 20 draws of a \$50 prize which would increase the chances of winning a prize to 1:20. This was accepted.

- Stan then asked for 5 volunteer raffle co-ordinators.
- Rotarian Greg Burnett, Sergeant-at-Armd Cam Bishop, Rotarian Graeme Whitmore, Rotarian Kevin Jenkins and Rotarian Phil Gresham were endorsed.

The question was raised why do we need to do this?

President Bas noted that we are short of cash flow even though we have over \$470,000 in our Benevolent Fund, so we have to get back to raising funds.

- PP Keith Watts reminded us of the wine scheme for 2011 in the form of Premium Shiraz from Three Associates. **ORDER NOW!**
- Treasurer Dougal Henderson gave a full run down of our finances. When all the income and current outgoings are totalled we have no funds available for charitable cause use to 30 June, 2011.
- Rotarian Michael Stephens reported that the Golf Day would be April 14 at Victoria Park Golf Club 70-80 players required. Brochures are being organised.
- Cluster Chair Assistant District Governor Peter Sullivan:
 - District 9600 to join with Northern Clubs. The vote was 42 for, 1 against and 1 abstention.
 - District Conference is March 26 and 27.
 - The District has sent a team to Louisiana to study Disaster Relief. A team from Louisiana will visit our District to study what we do.
 - The District Disaster Fund is about \$66,000 so far. No funds have been spent but requests for projects from flood affected Clubs are being sought.
 - Some Clubs are doing their own thing with affected Clubs. Fortitude Valley raised \$150,000 in a Valley to Valley appeal and are working with Lockyer Valley for projects.

ROTARY GRACE

○ 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

7 March:

Bob Newton

The Science Experience

14 March:

Member Speaker

21 March:

Mary-Ann Pattison

Education for a Sustainable 21st Century

28 March:

Fellowship

Roster

7 March 2011

President	B Veal
Chairman	K Jenkins
Raffle	C Muir
Visitor Register	P Ryan
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

14 March 2011

President	B Veal
Chairman	M Winders
Raffle	K Hamburger
Visitor Register	P Gresham
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

21 March 2011

President	B Veal
Chairman	M Evans
Raffle	J Burton
Visitor Register	A Gillespie
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

28 March 2011

President	B Veal
Chairman	M Stephens
Raffle	G Burnett
Visitor Register	P Little
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

Date Claimers

March 25-27, 2011

9600 Conference

May 2011

Bike Ride

April 14, 2011

Golf Day-Victoria Golf Club

September 18, 2011

Heart of Business Gala Dinner
Sofitel

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- o More funds are required for as the Lord Mayor has said: We are in a marathon, not a sprint.

Resumed AGM

President Bas Veal opened the AGM and received the recommendation of the Nominating Committee for Board position for the Rotary Year 2011-12. This was approved by the members present.

- President: Rotarian Alistair Smith
- Past President: PP Bas Veal
- Vice President: PP K Watts
- Secretary: Rotarian Bob Aldred
- Treasurer: Rotarian Dougal Henderson
- Sergeant –at-Arms: Rotarian Cam Bishop
- Rotary International/Foundation Director: PP Mike Kelly
- Human Resources/ Membership Director: Rotarian Michael Stephens
- Community Director: Rotarian Greg Sellers
- Public Relations Director: Rotarian Mario Pennisi
- Directors: PP Brian Carss, Rotarian Hannes Monaghan, Rotarian Henry Milne, Rotarian Phil Little, PP Wal Bishop, Rotarian John Smerdon.

Induction of New Member

Gregory Burnett was inducted with the category Internet and Telecommunications.

He works with Telstra as well as conduct his own business. All members rose to welcome the newest International Rotarian.

Sergeant Cam Bishop

Cam really excelled himself in both jokes and ability to extract funds. A quip from the audience that the Sergeant did not need to fix our cash flow in one-day did not even cause a blip in Cam's efforts.

Thanks from Canine Helpers

(ROCB Sponsored Canine Helpers for \$25,000 per year for 3-years)

Dear Bas,

Thank you for your message left on our phone the other day.

I am not sure if you are up to speed with latest events, but following the last AGM of Canine Helpers we have

had a number of positions change within the organisation.

I am sorry not to have touched base with you earlier, but have been working on a lot of projects simultaneously.

As you might recall, I was originally involved in Canine Helpers for many years but, in late 2007 and early 2008, came to the realisation that I was not able to devote the time to it that others were and resigned from my position. I have had a little rest from that side of things (although as a life member obviously stayed involved to some extent), but at the AGM recently was re-elected as president of Canine Helpers.

The new board is keen to get things going again with some renewed energy and zeal, and our training program and administrative/office tasks are all now getting back up to their full potential. We're very excited about 2011 and the coming years.

I understand that the Rotary sponsorship of Canine Helpers recently came to a conclusion. I would like to thank you and Rotary for your wonderful contribution over the years to our organisation. It has been invaluable in assisting us to serve the community as best we can, and we are most grateful for Rotary's financial support.

We also understand that, with recent pressures and financial issues around the country, Rotary might not be in a position to renew its sponsorship. That said, if you would like to discuss any possibilities in that regard, then any support would be most welcome.

Our office assistant said that you were out of the office today, but if you would like to contact me on the numbers below on your return, then you are most welcome to do so.

Kind regards and best wishes,

*Chris Hargreaves
President - Canine Helpers*



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GALA DINNER

18 September 2011

~RIP~

Secretary Bob Aldred has advised:

It is with regret that I inform you of the passing of PDG Ian A Wilson last night. Ian had been suffering from Parkinson's disease, and was admitted to Wesley Hospital with a chest infection. He died peacefully with all family at his side.

Ian joined Rotary in 1978 and has had a distinguished career in Rotary.

The funeral was at 3 pm Friday 4th March at Centenary Memorial Gardens, Cnr Wacol Station Road and Woolston Rd, Sumner.

The Early Days of the Rotary Club of Brisbane

In 1952/53 **Rotarian Herb Watson** was elected President.

- The Rotary Year was changed from 1 October to 30 September to 1 July to 30 June.
- President of Rotary International "Bru" Brunner and wife Ann visited.
- Support to Paddington and Rosalie Creche and Kindergarten Centre as well as Woolloowin Home.
- The first Rotary Agricultural Scholarship School was held at Gatton. 17 New Australians attended. Supported by New Settlers League.
- Our District was divided into two:
- From South Grafton to this side of Nambour (number 35, while Nambour and north was Number 31
- The year ended with 205 members