



# The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

Founded 29 May 1923 Club 17787

9 August 2010



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

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

### OFFICERS

President	Bas Veal
President Elect	
Imm Past President	Michael Mauger
Secretary	Darren Philips
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 Klinginsmith

### President's Message

Good afternoon, Fellows and Guests

The visit of District Governor Eric and Assistant Governor Peter to our Club last week was a successful event and Eric gave us a detailed talk on his recent visit to Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands as the new District Governor. It is obvious that there is much poverty in the country and Rotary Clubs are operating under different conditions from those that exist in Australia. This is why we should continue as a Club to support Past District Governor, Bill Waterfield with DIK.

On Wednesday morning last week I attended a cluster meeting of inner City Clubs at Albion at 7am and now pass on some of the information. The Chaplain from 'The Chaplain Watch' was present at the meeting and gave a very gloomy picture of the drunkenness and drug addition which is prevalent in the Valley entertainment area on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. At the moment, they have just obtained a caravan fitted out for medical emergencies which will be at the Valley on the abovementioned nights. They are also looking for a 4-wheel drive to pull the caravan and if anybody has a car salesman mate, please enquire about a good second hand vehicle and let me know. I may invite the Chaplain to address our Club members later in the year.

Gordana, from RYDA Australia who advises Year 11 students regarding the benefits of good driving habits and road manners at Chandler was also present. I believe that she will speak to our Club in November and the main benefit of the scheme is that it teaches students how to be courteous when driving. It does not teach the students how to drive. Our Club may be able to introduce a school like BGS and BGGS or Terrace to become RYDA participants. Are there any Old Boys from these schools who can assist in this area?

The other disturbing matter which came to my notice is that eleven of the former Brisbane North members transferred to Mid-City and our Club was not successful in obtaining any additional members from this source. Where did we go wrong?

*President Bas*



the heart of business  
GALA DINNER

Coming 28<sup>th</sup> October



**SPEAKER**  
**9th August**  
PP Wal Bishop  
Brisbane Youth  
Service Scholarship  
Holders



### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2010

Past President (PP) Mike Mauger opened the meeting with Rotary Grace and the Toasts to The Queen and Rotary International.

### President Bas Veal

President Bas welcomed members and guests especially District Governor Eric Wood, Assistant District Governor Peter Sullivan, Peter Greenham (guest of Rotarian Mario Pennisi, Dr Patrick Caragata (guest of President Bas Veal) and Bobby Dagge (guest of Rotarian Darren Phillips).

Bas reported that the Board was re-visiting the venue arrangements again (PP Mike Mauger is in the van). He is also obtaining an update on the Provident Fund arrangements.

### Spots

**Rotarian Mario Pennisi** reported that the date for the **Gala Heart of Business Dinner** is set at 28th October. He is seeking auction and raffle items. This week he is focusing on Travel goods. Would anyone with contacts in the industry please work with PP Mike Mauger.

**Past President Keith Watts** reported that the wine program is accelerating-labels have been approved and labelling will take place soon. The Shiraz will sell for \$200.00/case. He has sold 10 cases so far.

### District Governor (DG) Eric Wood

Wants to have fun during his year of office. He is one of 22 Australian DG's. During the DG's "Brain Washing" in the USA, International President (IP) Ray Klinginsmith stressed that Rotary needs to change the way it does things if it wants to survive. He would be happy if Rotary retained all the members it already has rather than recruit new members and continue to lose more than we recruit. This means Rotary needs to get past the old ways of doing things and change. If we don't change and do things differently, then Rotary will decline and we need to get our message out to the community.

The Rotary theme this year does not include the word "Rotary". IP Ray Klinginsmith is looking to change things not develop new programs.

## 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.

DG Eric spoke of projects in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands, particularly about the plight of Wewak Hospital and its nurses' quarters which are in terrible condition. In this squaller, up to five babies die each day. There is so much poverty up there.

Where is Rotary going? We need to look at the sister club process. The sister clubs are not working effectively, and in most cases not at all. He is seeking approval for all the Clubs in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands be allocated as Sister Clubs to Club Clusters in District 9600 so that the responsibility for the Sister Clubs is the Cluster, not the individual Club.

In summary, the future of Rotary in District 9600 is going to be different. Donations-in-Kind will continue. District 9600 has been offered free freight to Port Moresby for one pallet/week. Next year the Annual Conference will be on 25-27 March.

DG Eric finished with an invitation to all Rotarians to join him at the dinner in honour of the International President Ray Klinginsmith on 19th August.

PP Mike Mauger thanked DG Eric and noted that the Rotary Club of Brisbane had the honour of being the first Club visited by the DG since he came to office.

### The Sergeant

Although limited in time Sergeant Cam Bishop extracted some fines, told a few jokes (?) and had the DG draw the raffle. The winner was PP Keith Watts who drew the three of hearts. Awww! Such bad luck Keith.

The meeting attracted 23 members and five guests.

The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

## Did You Know about RCOB?

In 1996-7 was a landmark year with a woman as a successful President. The Christmas Art Union was discontinued.

With other bodies, we were instrumental in establishing The Queensland Youth Future Focus Network to assist youngpeople at risk.

Our bid for the 2003 World Rotary Convention was unsuccessful. RI suggested we should apply for the 2006 Convention. Eventually this decision was reversed and we won the 2003 Convention.



## Calendar

### 9 August:

PP Wal Bishop-Brisbane Youth Service Program

### 16 August:

Fellowship & Directors Reports

### 23 August:

PDG John Kerr - *The Rotary Foundation and the Future Vision initiative in District 9600*

### 30 August:

Hannes Monaghan  
Job Talk

## Roster

### 2 August 2010

<b>President</b>	B Veal
<b>Chairperson</b>	C Morman
<b>Set Up</b>	P Little
<b>Put Away</b>	G Sellers
<b>Raffle</b>	M Stephens
<b>Visitor Register</b>	K Jenkins
<b>Fellowship</b>	W Bishop
<b>Attendance</b>	B Esler G Whitmore

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<b>Raffle</b>	M Evans
<b>Visitor Register</b>	P Gresham
<b>Fellowship</b>	H Milne
<b>Attendance</b>	B Esler G Whitmore

## Date Claimers

### 19 August:

President of Rotary International  
Dinner at Kallungar.

### 28th October:

Heart of Business Dinner

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