



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.
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A global network of community volunteers

19 October 2015



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Brisbane Inc.
ABN 75 152 438 499

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Meets 4th Floor
(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
Post Office Square
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MONDAYS
12.15 pm – 1.30 pm

OFFICERS

President	Phil Gresham
President Elect	Tony McKinnon
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Vice President	Keith Watts
Secretary	Michael Stephens
Treasurer	Warren Walker
Sergeant-at-Arms	Cameron Bishop

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Club Admin	Rick Tamaschke
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Rotary Foundation	Graeme Whitmore
Service Projects	Patrick Caragata

District 9600
Club Number 17787
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District Governor
John Leddy

**Rotary International
President**
K.R. (Ravi) Ravindran

President's Message

This week's speaker is down as a "mystery" however it will be a job talk by a club member, these are always interesting and a great way to find out more about your fellow member.

We learnt something last week and that is for club events, especially those outside of the regular meetings we need to advertise them well in advance and often if we are to be successful in getting good numbers.

Please diarise this;

Carols In The Park
New Farm Park
Sunday 6th December
4pm-8.00pm

We will be working with New Farm Rotary who are hosting the event in conjunction with BCC. It starts at 4.00pm with bands in the park, finishing at 8.00pm. Our club with the use of the St George Mobile Catering Van, thanks Jarrod, will be offering Gourmet Sausages/Hotdogs. We will have my #3 son who is a chef overseeing the event. More to come.

The Rotoract Club of Brisbane CBD is looking for shelving for their project "Books For Taveuni" a school on a Fijian Island. They need shelving, if anyone has contacts that would be great.

Yours in Rotary

Phil Gresham
President

WHAT'S ON?

19 October 2015
Mystery Event

DATE CLAIMER

16 November:
Dr Peter Catt, Dean of
St John's Cathedral
Restoration of St John's
Cathedral

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?





*Rotary Meeting
12 October 2015*

The Minutes of 12 October are unavailable at this time

Calendar

26 October:
Mystery Speaker

2 November:
Fellowship

9 November:
To be confirmed

Roster

19 October 2015:

President	P Gresham
Chairperson	A Gillespie
Set Up/Away	M Evans
Raffle	S Francis
Visitor Register	D Henderson
Attendance	D Schellbach J Smerdon

26 October 2015:

President	P Gresham
Chairperson	P Ryan
Set Up/Away	S Dunlop
Raffle	P Little
Visitor Register	T McKinnon
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

2 November 2015:

President	P Gresham
Chairperson	M Winders
Set Up/Away	G Holtmann
Raffle	J Ryder
Visitor Register	G Whitmore
Attendance	J Smerdon D Schellbach

9 November 2015:

President	P Gresham
Chairperson	C Muir
Set Up/Away	C Shepherd
Raffle	W Walker
Visitor Register	A Smith
Attendance	D Schellbach D O'Donoghue

Please forward any dates or articles of interest that you would like to see included in future Bulletins to the Bulletin Editor at:

secretary@brisbanerotary.org.au

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.*



Breaking stereotypes in the Neelum Valley, Pakistan

By Talha Mushtaq

Source: blog.rotary.org

Many non-profits are working hard to increase social welfare programs. Being unified in their approach, some may focus on one issue, such as improving the literacy rate, while others concentrate on employment. Our Rotaract Club of Jhang Saddar has made a name for itself in our community by being multifaceted.

One of over 8,000 Rotaract clubs around the world supported by Rotary, we are committed to not only supporting education but to other efforts, including the fight to eradicate polio. These efforts have won the hearts of community members and improved the positive image of Rotary.



Students in Pakistan's Neelum Valley display the backpacks they received from members of the Rotaract Club of Jhang Saddar.

Recently, 13 members of our club traveled 800 kilometers from Jhang to Kashmir to provide services to the poor. The Rotaractors made their way into the mountains of Kashmir carrying suitcases full of books and backpacks to give to more than 300 students. Five new libraries were inaugurated, and we delivered essential supplies like stationery, books, and snack items to five schools. The project would have been impossible without the leadership and motivation of our club trainer, M. Talha Mushtaq; Haseeb Sarfraz; and our club president, Zeeshan Haider.

The club also organized a massive End Polio Now campaign in the Neelum Valley to educate the kids and their families about the importance of immunization to stop the spread of polio. We cannot stop immunization efforts until all children are vaccinated against the crippling disease. To get more youth involved with the campaign, we held a friendly cricket match for children.

The most important thing we discovered through this project is how critical it is to build connections with the community. Rather than just donating supplies, books, and food, we saw that having conversations with the village members can mean so much more. When we share our stories, we break stereotypes about education, especially for girls. When we provide training and resources, we dispel myths about vaccinations to protect children and future generations.

And as our club continues our journey, we draw inspiration from our national heroes in Pakistan, like female-education advocate Malala Yousafzai. Together, we are making positive changes in Pakistan and building a successful and sustainable future for



About the author: Talha Mushtaq is a member of the Rotaract Club of Jhang Saddar, Punjab, Pakistan, and serves as the Rotaract Conference Chairman for Rotary District 3272. The Rotaract Club of Jhang Saddar was established in 1989 and has sponsored nine service projects already this year.

Meet the Miles to End polio team

By John Hewko, Rotary International General Secretary

Source: blog.rotary.org

On 21 November, Rotary staff members and I will join Arizona Rotary members to bike up to 104 miles in El Tour de Tucson to raise funds for polio eradication.

The event is one of the top cycling events in the U.S., attracting more than 9,000 cyclists each year. We are aiming to raise \$3.4 million, which will be tripled by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for a total of more than \$10 million for the fight to end polio.

We recently marked one year without polio in Africa. While this progress is momentous, we haven't finished the job of eradicating polio yet. Now, more than ever, we need to redouble our efforts to help Pakistan and Afghanistan, and retain strong immunization coverage globally.

Meet the team. Learn more about each team member, follow them as they train, and add your support by donating to their ride. Team members will be sharing their training experiences here on our blog as the event draws near.

Would you like to join the team? Take part in the Indoor Ride to End Polio! Ride a stationary bike at your local gym or at home any time from 14-21 November. Register today or make a contribution to help Rotary create a polio-free world.



Last year's team mugs for the camera.

Team members

Naish is a Member Benefits program manager in Rotary's Polio Development Partnerships. "First and foremost, my two first cousins in India contracted polio and passed away before adulthood. Along with my brother and sister, I was fortunate to be born here in Chicago so that we got the polio vaccine that my cousins never did. Thus, I am passionate about doing whatever I can to help eradicate this disease."



Norah is a Global Events learning specialist, focusing on the Rotary Convention. She has been with Rotary for nearly 11 years. "As long as I've been riding, I've been raising funds too. From pedaling around my hometown of Galena, Illinois, for children's cancer research when I was nine, to raising \$2,500 and riding from Minneapolis to Chicago in the Heartland AIDS Ride. I look forward to cycling for a new cause this year."

Jean is the supervisor of Rotary's Global Events. As a kid, she knew she wanted to make a difference. Whether she was collecting pledges for the American Heart Association or carrying a fish food jar to collect nickels for the American Cancer Society, her desire to give to others came naturally. Today, Miles to End Polio is her way to support the fight to end polio and show the world that nothing can stop a movement like ours.

Scott is a Procurement Services manager and has worked for Rotary four years. "As a child, I vividly remember when people were really scared of polio. Pools closed and kids stayed home — one of my classmates had the disease. Today, the path is clear. We have to carry on with the fight, or it could return. It is to the men and women of Rotary, their fight, and particularly my club (Rotary Club of Glenview-Sunrise) that I will dedicate my ride."

Debra is a senior regional Major Gifts officer based in Orlando, Florida, USA, and has worked at Rotary for over six years. Participating in Miles to End Polio is her way to honor all the Rotary members who have generously supported PolioPlus. And riding alongside her colleagues will allow her to combine her two greatest passions, fitness and Rotary, to raise funds in support of a polio-free world.

Lindsay is a Youth Exchange senior specialist. Her love of biking flourished when she moved to Chicago and bought a bike from a shop that supports at-risk youth through its earn-a-bike summer program.

Kristin is the manager of Rotary Service Connections. A member of the Rotary Club of Evanston Lighthouse and an avid cyclist, Kristin was the Miles to End Polio team captain last year and raised \$4,000 to support the campaign.
