



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

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Brisbane Inc.
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(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
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MONDAYS
12.15 pm – 1.45 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	

**District 9600
Club Number 17787
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District Governor
Alan Stephens

**Rotary International
President**
John Germ

President's Message

This week we have one of our own members Jacqui Page giving a job talk, I am sure Jacqui will also cover her past and current work in Rotary too.

Last week's meeting was light on members but we had three guest who are prospective members to make up the numbers. During the meeting we discussed results of the survey and some of the actions that the board are taking as regards to potential growth options for the club. Following on that the membership Committee meet at PP Keith's home, Jacqui, Alistair, Terry and Bruce McNaught District 9600 Membership Chair attended. We have a number of potential members in the wings and have set a target of 50 members by the end of this Rotary year, there are a couple of new concepts that we are investigating "Friends of Rotary" and Corporate Membership, Membership chair PP Keith will report on this at this week's meeting.

During the week we had an email re DIK and the timing for our roster which is to be confirmed soon. Following that I was copied on an email from James Delahunty who was part of the initial DIK here in Queensland, James outline what had caused the changes from sending pharmaceuticals to now sending mainly equipment, books etc.

I think most members were under the impression that it was the PNG government that was the cause but in 2013 the world health organisation (WHO) got together with big Pharma (the big pharmaceutical companies) and banned the sending from personal countries to Third World countries unused drugs. Since that time the Australian Department of Health have jumped on the bandwagon and denied the sending of unused drugs out of Australia because they said that they owned them and they are only subsidised to the Australian citizens for whom they were prescribed.

Don't forget the changeover on the 18th PE Anthony (Tony) will be back refreshed from his two months away on holiday and raring to go!

Yours in Rotary
Phil Gresham - President

WHAT'S ON?

4 July 2016:
Job Talk –
Jacqui Page

DATE CLAIMER

July 18 2016
Changeover meeting

August 31 2016
Wal Bishop Testimonial
Dinner

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 27 June 2016

Meeting report unavailable at this time

What do you get when you give to The Rotary Foundation?

By Ann Syrett, former Ambassadorial Scholar and member of the Rotary Club Sunrise of Road Town, British Virgin Islands
Source: blog.rotary.org

In April, I paid an emotional visit to the Rotary Club of Newcastle-under-Lyme that had hosted my Ambassadorial Scholarship more than 40 years ago while I attended Keele University in North Staffordshire, England.

As I shared my experiences with them, I reflected upon how much the experience had changed my life. I grew up in Astoria, Oregon, and the cultural differences between small town USA and Keele University were immense. I was delighted by the warmth of my welcome and at the opportunity to speak to 35 Rotary clubs, Round Table clubs (an association of young business professionals founded by a British Rotarian in the 1920s), and similar organizations during my year. It gave me the confidence to pursue a career as a diplomat.



Ann Syrett, middle, with Past District Governor Ron Lucas, who served as her counselor during her scholarship year, and David Riley, president of the Rotary Club of Newcastle-under-Lyme

After my scholarship year, I graduated from the University of Birmingham with a Master's degree in West African history and economics. I signed up with the U.S. Foreign Service and spent the next 30 years traveling the world, representing my country in Rwanda, Great Britain, Haiti, France, Antigua, and Egypt.

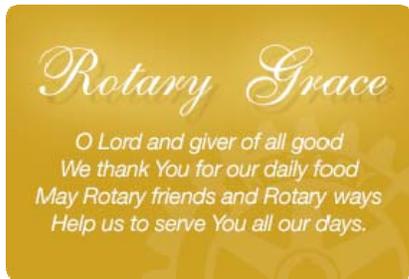
I also had several assignments at the U.S. State Department in Washington D.C., before retiring to the British Virgin Islands with my husband, Tony, a former Lt. Commander in the British Royal Navy. I am now heavily involved in the Rotary Club Sunrise of Road Town, British Virgin Islands.

Every dime, every cent, every dollar, every pound we give to The Rotary Foundation is put to good use.

As Rotary members, we are regularly asked to give to The Rotary Foundation. This may seem like a very big picture operation. However, that big picture is actually made up of thousands and thousands of individual pixels, representing the individual projects, scholarships, grants, etc., that the Foundation supports.

I was one of those pixels. My life was changed and directed by my year as an Ambassadorial Scholar. Going from small town American girl to worldly-wise Scholar to American diplomat with a 30 year career AND a wonderful English husband were all results of the journey Rotary set me upon. I can personally tell you that every dime, every cent, every dollar, every pound we give to the Foundation is put to good use.

The impact of those donations, given so long ago, are still felt strongly in my life. Your contributions to the Foundation resonate around the world, year in and year out. In my case, 43 years out!



Calendar

11 July 2016:
Fellowship

18 July 2016:
Changeover meeting

25 July 2016:
Speaker: to be confirmed

Roster

4 July 2016:

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

11 July 2016:

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

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Uppsala equips 9 to pursue peace

By Magnus Elfwendahl, host area coordinator at the Rotary Peace Center in Uppsala and a member of the Rotary Club of Uppsala Carolina, Sweden
Source: blog.rotary.org



The 2016 Class of Rotary Peace Fellows at Uppsala from left Ahmad Mohibbi (USA), Kate Lonergan (USA), Sireh Jabang (Gambia), Nicole Ella (Australia), Clair Maizonnier (Australia/France), Meena Pillai (Australia), Krystal Renschler (Canada). Not pictured Takuya Koimaru (Japan), Ahmed Abdi Wais (Somalia).

Peter Wallenstein, a Rotary member, senior professor at Uppsala, and also senior research professor of Peace Studies at the University of Notre Dame, emphasized how the skills the graduates have acquired will be instrumental in their pursuit of peace.

I feel proud to be part of an organization contributing to global peace.

I was honored earlier this month to witness the beginning of nine careers in peace building and conflict resolution as the most recent class at the Rotary Peace Center at Uppsala University received their masters' degrees.

The memorable event concludes two years of training, study, and practice for these dedicated and bright young professionals. The Rotary Peace Fellows joined 30 other students at a graduation ceremony in the town's medieval cathedral attended by friends, relatives, host families, and members of the local Rotary clubs. Thanks to the generous support of The Rotary Foundation, Rotary members, and clubs, they are now equipped to solve problems and make a positive impact on world peace.

Peace Fellow Kate Lonergan from the United States was honored with the department's Mats Hammarström Prize for Outstanding Essay in Peace & Conflict Studies. Peace Fellow and student representative Krystal Renschler of Canada summarized what her fellow graduates were feeling in her closing remarks:

"Uppsala has prepared us to meet the headwinds of today's winds of madness."