Rotary Club of Brisbane

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

Basic Education and Literacy Month

Chartered 29th May 1923

Rotary International Club 17787

BULLETIN 11th SEPTEMBER 2023

OPENING: President Phil Saxby opened the meeting at 12.45pm with 14 in attendance, including 3 guests, Peterson Wei—Rotarian, Sydney Cove (right), Edouard Van Goethem (centre right) and PDG Tim Keeler (far right). There were no guest speakers today. PP Mark Williams was chair.

APOLOGIES: Bruce McNaught, Celia Grenning, Rick Tamaschke, Don O'Donoghue, James Delahunty.

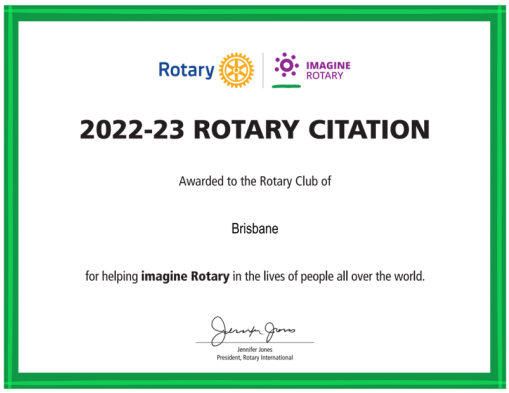
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of COUNTRY We acknowledge the Jagera and Turrbal people as the Traditional Custodians of Meanjin (Brisbane), the lands on which we meet. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

TOAST to King Charles III and People of Australia.

Wren Gorge
Bachsten Creek
West Kimberley
Western Australia

Our Board has recently voted to **investigate establishing a new satellite e-Club**, with a view to allowing some of our members, who are unable to regularly attend Monday lunchtime club meetings, to continue their active Fellowship online, within the Rotary Club of Brisbane.

Our club earned a **2022-23 Club Citation** from Rotary International.



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2022-23 ROTARY CITATION

Awarded to the Rotary Club of

Brisbane

for helping **imagine Rotary** in the lives of people all over the world.

Jennifer Jones
President, Rotary International

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL TOAST

TOAST TO THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROSSLAND, BC, CANADA by Phil Saxby

The Club meets **Mondays, 6:15pm**, at the Rossland Curling Club Lounge, in the Rossland Arena

The Rossland Club membership is about 23 adults and the Club President is **Murray McConnachie**. *Cont'd*

*Big Red is Serious Powder Hound Country. Rossland shuts down after a good overnight powder dump, as **everyone** heads to the slopes.*

Cont'd—Rossland, BC, Canada

The Rotary Club of Rossland is currently supporting the following projects:

- ◊ Rossland Youth Action Network (Y.A.N.).
- ◊ Rossland Museum.
- ◊ Local student participation in Rotary Youth Exchange (RYE).
- ◊ Sponsoring a top student to attend Adventures in Citizenship (Ottawa) and Adventures in Technology (Saskatoon).
- ◊ Mike Pistak Memorial Rotary Scholarships.
- ◊ Rossland Library.
- ◊ Friends of the Rossland Range (FORR).
- ◊ Rossland Junior Curling Club.
- ◊ Miners' Hall--Lily May Room equipment.
- ◊ Projects for disaster relief, disease prevention, education, literacy and clean water in under-developed countries.

PRESIDENT
Phil Saxby

Presents

A Weekly

BLAST FROM THE PAST

THANK YOU

TO All CLUB MEMBERS

EVERYONE CONTRIBUTES IN
THEIR OWN WAY
THEIR OWN TIME AND TO
THEIR OWN RHYTHM

PICK YOUR SPECIAL AREA
AND ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

A LOT OF ROTARY OPTIONS TO

HAVE FUN WHILST GIVING BACK

THIS CLUB NEEDS NO LESSONS IN GIVING BACK

2013-2023

The Rotary Club of Brisbane has been a proud supporter of the Kyeema Foundation, a Brisbane-based not-for-profit organisation since November 2018. The project we are supporting involves the breeding and conservation of indigenous village chickens in Papua New Guinea (PNG). RCOB initially supported set-up of a village chicken farm for Haus Pikinini in Wau, Morobe Province, which is a community home that looks after 30 children from the local community who have no-one to provide for them. We supported the set-up of the chicken shed and yard, purchase of local chickens for breeding and training in village chicken keeping. Kyeema are still providing support to Haus Pikinini with the management of their chickens.

In April 2020, RCOB provided a donation of A$3,980 to support setting up of another village chicken farmer in Gabagaba village. Kopure Airi (Kopsi) was trained as a Master Farmer in Fiji in October 2019. Since then, he has returned to his village in Gabagaba, Central Province and with funds provided by RCOB, has been set up as a Master Farmer of village chickens for his community. The pictures on the following page shows the chicken house built and stocked using Rotary funds as part of this project.

*Have the **vision** to **develop** your own project.*

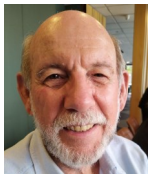
CLUB SNAPSHOT 2013— 2023

2013			Recommenced Charity Golf Days to fundraise over $10,000 each year;
			International Service project RC Taipei Tatung Taiwan provided $5,000 for 30th anniversary;
			Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing continuing on from a previous decade of assistance
2014		Rotaract Club Brisbane CBD	Drought Funding South Burnett and Longreach $10,000; Brisbane Youth Services
			Refurbishment of Sudial at Petrie Terrace Special School; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			Charity Golf Days to fundraise over $10,000 each year; Programme with Shaftsbury College to raise
			weaners for training students and supply Foodbank;
2015		Rotaract Club Brisbane River City	Set Up Mentors for Charities; Charity Golf Day $5,000 for Prostate Cancer; Nepal Earthquake $2,000
			Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			Charity Golf Days to fundraise over $10,000 each year;
2016			Western Qld Drought Appeal $5,000; Daniel Morcombe Foundation; Dental SuppliesTimor-Leste
			Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
2017			Sponsored 2 RYLA candidates; Donated $50,00 for Red Frogs Appeal; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			$5000 to Rotary Club of Townsville to support the Kits for Kids program for Timor;
			$5,060 to The Rotary Foundation for the Annual Fund
2018			Clean up Australia along Hamilton reach; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			$11.865 to Donations in Kind raised from the James Delahunty Testimonial Lunch
			$5,000 to Kyeema Foundation for the PNG village chicken project
2019			Breaking Free $12,500; $7,500 Youngcare; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			Clean up Australia at Orleigh Park; US$3,500 donated to the Rotary Foundation Annual Fund;
			Donated $3,980 to Kyeema Foundation for the PNG village chicken project
2020			Open Doors Youth Service - Jellybeans $15,000; Polio Plus $17,350; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			Mater Foundation $50,000 for Best Start programme - parental and perinatal mental health
			$51,000 Charity Funds raised; $5,800 to Moresby PNG Hospital supplies
2021			Sister Club of Colombo Reconnections, D 3220, Sri Lanka; Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing;
			Joint project with Rotary Club Colombo Reconnections to conduct early intervention training for Autism
2022			Eddie's Van Funding and Staffing; Distribution of PAF Funds
2023			Qld Brain Institute Project Launch to raise $5,000,000 to establish Rotary Centenary Chair in Neuroscience
			Eddie's Van Funding and staffing; Honorary Membership for Lord Mayor, Adrian Schrinner

Kopure Airi (Kopsi) was trained as a Master Farmer in Fiji in October 2019. Since then, he has returned to his village in Gabagaba, Central Province and with funds provided by RCOB, has been set up as a Master Farmer of village chickens for his community. While he still has a way to go to build his chicken numbers up (currently he has 32 chickens), he is slowly getting there and will commence training for his community once he has sufficient stock to give to community members after they complete the training. He is also hoping to set up a coral garden later this year with the funds provided by Rotary.

Kyeema's PNG program is building resilient communities by supporting community-led efforts to help restore compromised coastal ecosystems. This helps to maintain the protective climate-related services they provide. Through complementary activities such as coral reef and mangrove restoration and village chicken rearing, Kyeema is helping to support environmental, food and nutrition resilience in these communities.

Given the large proportion of the rural population that relies on fish and poultry for food, nutrition and income security, we will directly address the improvement of coastal reefs to restore fish breeding grounds and provide affordable protein and income alternatives through village chickens. This will address the high rates of protein deficiency and child stunting. Our model works towards providing an alternative source of protein while reducing the reliance on fish as the main source of protein to build resilient communities in the face of increasing pressures on local reefs and fish stocks.

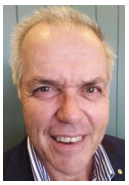


Chris Muir elaborated further on the chicken farming project. Kyeema was instrumental in setting up a breeding program for tropical chickens, suitable for PNG, and choosing the best breed. Kyeema also chose the optimum food and established how that food could be grown locally.

As people in one village became proficient in farming, people from other villages came to copy from the master farmers. This was particularly important during the COVID period.

Approximately 60% of the coral reefs around PNG are severely degraded. Explosives from WWII are used for fishing and this results in reef damage. By substituting poultry for fish, the fishing can be stopped and the reefs can recover. As part of the reef rehabilitation program, corals are being transplanted into damaged areas.

Chris mentioned a key statistic—PNG has the 4th highest rate of childhood stunting in the world and protein is an essential element in helping to defeat this..



Tim Keeler explained that Rotary was used to facilitate the PNG census because of its on the ground presence, it had a better idea of the number of people than other organisations. Tim also mentioned that fishing the reefs was causing damage in another way—mosquito nets with residual poison on them were used to fish the reefs and these poisons were harming the reef.

PRESIDENT
Phil Saxby

USA ROTARY MAGAZINE—Kyeema Chicken Project.

INDUCTION—Edouard Van Goethem and PDG Tim Keeler.

BANNER EXCHANGE—Edouard Van Goethem.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE— Thursday 21st September

QBI COMMITTEE MEETING—Monday 9th October 11.30 am, Fridays

RARE RACE DAY—Sunday 22nd October, Caloundra. Club to co-sponsor a race with other Rotary clubs. Trackside Seats to be raffled to defray costs of the co-sponsorship.

NEXT BOARD MEETING—Monday 23rd October 11.30am, Fridays

FOUNDATION RECOGNITION DINNER— November Wed 8th at Tattersall's 6.30 for 7pm. $120pp. Click this link for tickets.

ROTARY QLD'S CENTENARY
BREAK THROUGH PROJECT
for UQ's Queensland Brain Institute

SPOT THE MEMBER

ENTER YOUR OWN PHOTOGRAPH TO HIGHLIGHT MEMBER ROTARY ACTIVITIES
ALSO ACCEPTING PHOTOGRAPHIC MEETING APOLOGIES FROM ANY ABSENT MEMBERS

Immediate Past President Bruce continues his holidays in the UK, and wrote to us saying, *"We've been having a great time seeing the sights of London this week. Went to a brilliant Tina Turner show, the National Gallery and Buckingham Palace. Great fun."*

Any member activities involving Rotary affairs **will be most welcome if you wish to share with other Club members.**

Photographic Apology Notes **can also be emailed to the Bulletin Editor:**
peter.saxby1@bigpond.com

All Club members can be involved and aware of where other members are at meeting times and during non-meeting times!

MEMBER SPOTS

Peterson Wei advised the meeting about an upcoming study abroad event which offers insights into scholarships and teaching opportunities in Taiwan. The event is being held at the QUT Gardens Point Campus, Building P419 on Monday, 18th September between 5.30 and 6.30pm. Entrance is free and Bubble Tea & Bento Box is included. Tickets for the event can be obtained through Humanitix on this link.

PDG TIM Keeler reported on the QBI Committee meeting held today. Tim explained that at this stage the meeting was about scoping and not specific roles, with the exception of Andrea Markey, who will be secretary, and Tim Keeler, chairman. The aim is to raise $5 million for a neuroscience chair at the University of Queensland. Governance of the committee will fall under the Rotary Club of Brisbane and will report to the President. There are relationships with 3 Rotary districts and UQ. It is proposed that individual clubs will run brainpower meetings and approaches will be made to philanthropic organisations.

Michael Stephens let the meeting know that an error had been made regarding our sister club, Rotary Club of Charleston. The club is in South Carolina, not North Carolina. Michael levied fines anyone who read the Bulletin and had not picked up the mistake. He also recommended fines for anyone who had not read the Bulletin!! Yes, Michael had the indecency to effectively fine everyone during Member Spots!!

Mark Williams advised that he and the Murphys (Angela and Miles) would be attending the Natu Natu Gala night on the 16th September. Information regarding the event can be found here.

Keith Watts provided a report from the International Service Committee. Anna Klawe has provided a list of equipment required for the National Paraplegic Competition in PNG. The committee will convene and determine the best path forward and inform the club of the outcome.

GUEST SPEAKER

No guest speaker today.

INDUCTIONS

The club warmly welcomes Edouard Van Goethem (left) and PDG Tim Keeler (right) who were both inducted as members of the Rotary Club of Brisbane today by President Phil Saxby.

Edouard also exchanged banners from the Rotary Club of Nantes, Brittany, France.

CALENDAR DATES

OCTOBER	Mon	9	QBI Committee Meeting	Fridays	11.30 am	
	Sun	22	RARE RACE DAY	CALOUNDRA	Gates Open at 11.30am	https://www.sctc.com.au/event/rotary-raceday/
	Mon	23	Board Meeting	Fridays	11.30 am	
NOVEMBER	Wed	8	FOUNDATION RECOGNITION DINNER	TATTERSALL'S	6.30 for 7.00 pm	https://events.humanitix.com

RAFFLE TO Help communities in Developing Countries with containers of donated goods and assist with Environmental Repurposing in South East Queensland

Rotary Australia Repurposing Equipment

Drawn at the Rotary Charity Race Day 22nd October 2023 RARE RAFFLE Tickets $10

MAJOR PRIZE

10 night Papua New Guinea for 2 P&O Cruise on 'Coral Princess' or a travel voucher to the value of $4,000

BOOK BUYERS PRIZE

1st Prize - Two Night Glamping Experience at the Sunshine Coast Ingenia Holidays Rivershore Holiday and Caravan Park

2nd Prize - One dozen selected premium wines from Moffatdale Ridge Winery - Murgon

All profits of the Rotary Charity Race Day Raffle go to the Rotary Australia Repurposing Equipment Program which sends containers of repurposed vital medical and educational equipment to developing countries.

Use this QR code to buy tickets

September 2023

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
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Foundation Recognition Dinner

8th November 2023
Brisbane Tatersall's Club
6.30pm for 7pm

GUEST SPEAKER

PRIP BARRY RASSIN
Chair Rotary Foundation Trustees

$120pp - Two Course Dinner

Buy tickets here Numbers are limited book early
(https://events.humanitix.com/foundation-recognition)

Parking is available at Queens Plaza for $10
Enter via Edward St

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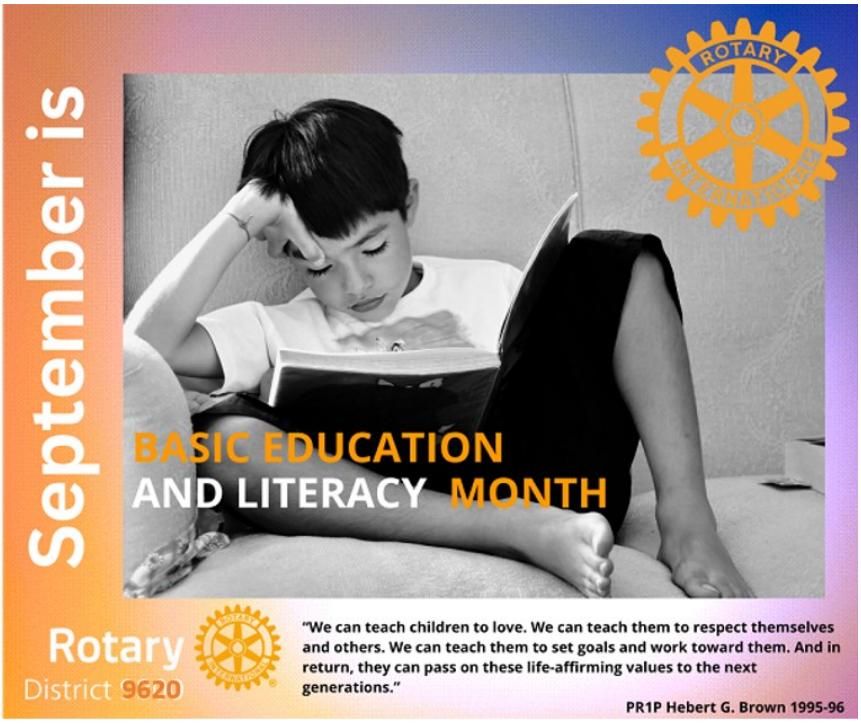
District 9620 Rotary Foundation



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RC TAIPEI TATUNG
40th Anniversary
19th APRIL 2024

RI CONVENTION
SINGAPORE
25-29 MAY 2024

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RAFFLE was drawn by Edouard Van Goethem, won by Phil Saxby, who delegated the joker draw to Tim Keeler who then proceeded to draw the king of diamonds— no Joker.

SERGEANT PE Angela Murphy was absent today, however, Michael Stephens effectively levied fines on everyone in her absence. Details of this stealthy and audacious afront to our personal finances can be found on page 7!!

MEETING CLOSED PP Mark Williams closed the meeting at 1.45 pm.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

The Four Way Test

of the things we think, say and 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?

MEETING DATES

SEPTEMBER	Mon 18	12.15 pm	Meeting at Fridays
	Mon 25	12.15 pm	Meeting at Fridays
OCTOBER	Mon 2	NO MEETING	KING's BIRTHDAY
	Mon 9	11.30 am	QBI Committee Meeting at Fridays
	Mon 9	12.15 pm	Meeting at Fridays
	Mon 16	12.15 pm	Meeting at Fridays

MEETING ROSTER

DATE		PRESIDENTIAL DUTY	CHAIR	INTERNATIONAL TOAST
SEPTEMBER	Mon 18		DAN ADLER	DYMPHNA MUIR
	Mon 25	PHIL SAXBY	BRUCE McNAUGHT	ANGELA MURPHY
OCTOBER	Mon 2	NO MEETING	KING's BIRTHDAY	
	Mon 9	PHIL SAXBY	PAUL CHOY	CHRIS MUIR
	Mon 16		PHIL GRESHAM	KEITH WATTS

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE: LOG IN and DELIVER YOUR EMPTIES TOWARDS FUNDING OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES

https://member.containersforchange.com.au/team-member/add/qld?team_link=qld/the-rotary-club-of-brisbane-inc-6420eda5a5afb

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