

Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

HOT AIR

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WENDY'S WISDOM

The International Rotary Convention's over. Barbara had filled me with hope from her description of Lisbon in 2013 but quite a few of our own members (most of whom hadn't ever attended) asked why? I don't think that Barbara and John, John and Kay, Bill and Noela or I will ever again doubt the value of spending four days with an international group of volunteers focussed on having fun and learning. We met for dinner at The Rocks the night before. The daily program included a plenary followed by breakout sessions. Plenaries showcased inspirational speakers talking about their own experiences or projects and updates about Rotary International. Then we'd lunch and laugh, usually in the House of Friendship - before setting off to the smaller sessions. Those topics and presentations were wide ranging – and again made me realise how limited I am with only English as a fluent language. I heard an update on St Jude's, learnt about maternal health projects, discussed social media and literacy. I only saw others from High Rise in one of the sessions I attended – we split up to follow our own interests. At the opening we enjoyed listening to Human Nature and at the closing enjoyed the Ten Tenors and Marina Prior. John, Kay and I chose to skip the final Bush Dance (that would have

We were reminded: It's not what we have to do it's what we choose to do that defines us - both in our service and our personal lives. Hope you enjoy making your choices.

out if I can save enough money before then. I try to tack a holiday around anything I attend.

been a sight). I did have a terrific lunch learning about what's proposed at Sao Paulo in 2015 – just have to work

ROSTER	12 June	19 June	26 June	3 July	10 July
Chair	Jo A	John A	Margo	Jacque	No meeting
Set Up	John A Margo	Margo Jacque	Jacque Neil	Neil Phil	Due to Change Over
Close Down	Jacque Neil	Neil Phil	Phil Rod C	Rod C Julie Dahl	the following night
Sergeant	Lindsay	Greg	Russell	Kit	Iligiit

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

To mark the Queens' Birthday honours this week we toast the Rotary Club of Westminster West which meets at Rubens Hotel in Buckingham Palace Road, London. If the Queen joined Rotary, this would be the closest Club to her Office. They meet every Wednesday at 1pm and it is £20 for a three course lunch. Good value in London! The Club has a strong association with a primary school in Zimbabwe and a secondary school for girls in Kenya.

GUEST SPEAKERS

12 June	David Ritale	What happens to all those coins you donate at shops and airports
19 June	Review of Our Year	Wendy and the Board to review the year that was

ATTENDANCE 5/6

MEMBERS: 27

VISITING ROTARIANS: 0 GUESTS: 6 PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS

ATTENDED:

APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS

NOTIFY OUR CLUB BY 1700 TUESDAY PRIOR TO THAT WEEK'S MEETING AT: apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com make-ups@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com

Direct Debit

PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS, **EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:** BSB 084-034

> **Account Number** 559347857

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.



CONGRATULATIONS TO SUSAN RIX. AM

Member in the General Division of the Order of Australia

Stephen Fussell at the Donations in Kind Working Bee.



Greetings from Sylvia and Ros

Having lunch at an Irish Pub in the South of France. It is a tough life when you have to each Irish food when in France!!!!





Update from Bill and Elenor Leveritt

In Denmark last week, visiting with Elenor's relatives. They arrived last Wednesday night after a long flight through Guangzhou in China and London. Unfortunately only one of their two suitcases arrived. So Elenor lived in the same set of clothes for two days. The missing bag arrived at their hotel on Friday night. Saturday they spent the day with Elenor's cousins visiting family sites in Southern Denmark. One of the places they went was the family home, see picture above. Unfortunately the Count of the manor in the late 1800's used to have his way with the local village girls, and Elenor is descended from one of these about 6 generations ago. So they could not just arrive at the front door and say "Here we are". Sunday they were tourists in Copenhagen before moving to England and more of Flenor's relatives



DIARY DATES / UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event	Details
15 June 3.30pm	Half The Sky Charity Film Afternoon Proceeds to Enda's Hospital	Dendy Cinemas Portside Tickets \$25 Purchase tickets www.stickytickets.com.au/17223
11 July	Change Over Dinner	Polo Club
21 July 6.00pm	Presentation of Art Show Proceeds	Stones Corner Club

If you have a Rotary event you want advertised in the Club Calendar please contact the Hot Air Editor at attellimanns@cplqld.org.au



An Invitation from Zonta to help Edna

Please join us for a screening of the film inspired by the New York Times bestseller **Half the Sky**. All monies raised will go to Edna Adan's Hospital of Somaliland. Fierce, pragmatic, full of inspiring stories of courage and determination, Half the Sky is essential for every one of us – whichever our gender, wherever we live.

3:30pm Sunday 15th June

Dendy Cinemas Portside Tickets are \$25 which includes a drink on arrival.

To purchase tickets please go

to https://www.stickytickets.com.au/17223

Have you completed your Member Contact Details and Information Update and returned to Rosemary Meadows?

Meet our Exchange Student – Emilie Damoe







Emilie is due to join our Club in late July 2014.

Her first host family will be Lindsay and Diane Marshall. Emilie will be attending school at St James College at Spring Hill and her counsellor will be Susan Rix. While host families and the counsellor develop close bonds with the exchange student it is great for everyone in the Club to get involved. If you are doing something that showcases Brisbane or the Australian way of life you may like to invite Emilie along.