



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

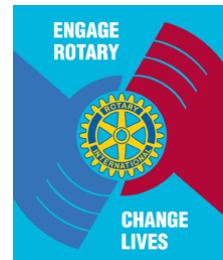
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District 9600
Serving the Heart of Brisbane
6 March 2014



WENDY'S WISDOM

What a week it has been. Functions to support the amazing work of Edna Adan Ismail and Ayan's operation. This has truly demonstrated the power of Rotary and how together we can change the world one person at a time. It was a great night both at BDO and with the Mitchelton Club. Contrasted with these events was the great clean up squad at the Story Bridge on Sunday morning, cleaning up our local environment. The magic of Rotary is that you can be working internationally one day and the next cleaning up your own backyard.

I don't think I will ever forget meeting Edna – what an amazing woman. It certainly puts many of our challenges into perspective. We can be so proud of what we have achieved. Everyone has done something to contribute to change the life of Ayan. Noela Phillips and John Arvier have truly displayed amazing community leadership of the teams they have lead to get Ayan to this point.

On behalf of each and every one of us – thank you.

There is a great photo of Ayan at the end of this edition. She is absolutely beaming and very beautiful.

ROSTER	6 March	13 March	20 March	27 March	3 April
Chair	Ron	Ros	Mavis	Melanie	No Meeting
Set Up	Ros Mavis	Mavis Melanie	Melanie Yvonne	Yvonne Denise	Art Show
Close Down	Melanie Yvonne	Yvonne Denise	Denise Susan	Susan Steve S	Cocktail Party 6.30pm
Sergeant	Russell	Rob	Lindsay	Greg	Riverside Centre

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

We toast the Rotary Club of Duarte in California. In 1978 they invited 3 women to join. Rotary International terminated the Charter of the Club. This led to a major legal challenge which ultimately saw the Rotary Constitution changed to admit women in 1989.

GUEST SPEAKERS

06 March	Bill Phillips	Progress at Mamba
13 March	To be advised	

ATTENDANCE 27/2

MEMBERS: 37
VISITING ROTARIANS: 0
GUESTS: 71
PERCENTAGE OF MEMBERS
ATTENDED:
60%

APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS

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



PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS,
EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:
rotarybrisbanehighrise.com
GO TO THE MEMBERS SECTION

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.*

A big week with Ayan and Dr Edna



Noela Phillips with Graeme Bell from Melbourne - the person who set the ball rolling and referred Ayan's need for surgery to the Brisbane Team.



Wendy and Edna being presented with Certificates of Achievement from the President of the Somaliland-Australian Friendship Foundation

Certificate of Recognition presented to Lindsay Marshall by Dr Edna Adan Ismail



Saying thanks with flowers



Smiles all around at the dinner



Farewell to Dr Edna



Friends for Life – Edna and Dr Arvier



Suad Osman, Edna and a very proud Mrs Arvier

Clean Up Australia Day Sunday 2 March



Some did more work than others!!



THANK YOU to everyone who volunteered



AYAN UPDATE

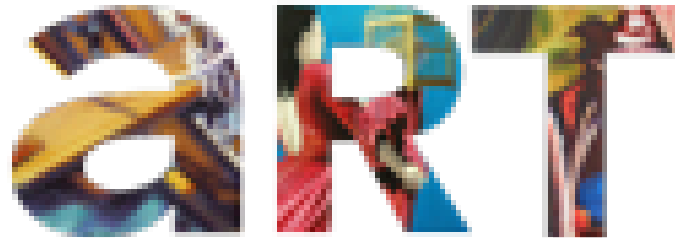
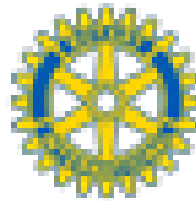
This photo of Ayan with one of the wonderful Wesley Hospital nurses caring for her, was taken Tuesday morning. Look at Ayan's beautiful eyes and glance at her ever-widening smile! An amazing transformation. Her progress over the last two days has been more like a small leap forward, rather than baby steps. That is my interpretation, not medical terminology!! Ayan's spirits are high, her English is improving and she thinks her emerging face is "beautiful"....and I quote her. She is eager to continue her recuperation with our very special Somaliland "family", Suad and Abdi upon her imminent discharge from hospital. With continued improvement and clearance from her medical team, Ayan could be looking at returning to her Somaliland family in approximately two weeks. Her face lit up when we spoke of that possibility.

Ayan said to me, she would like to "thank everyone in Australia for helping her". My personal thanks to all who sent get-well wishes to Ayan, for the emails enquiring after her and for sending messages of support and appreciation to all involved. We are most grateful.

Noela Phillips
on behalf of the ORGANISING TEAM



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**3 - 12 April 2014
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123 Eagle Street
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