

## **HOT AIR**

**17 December 2020** 

# **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year**



#### FROM OUR PRESIDENT MARGOT BAILLIE

Last week we tried for an AGM, but due to factors beyond everyone's control we had to adjourn the meeting, as we did not have a copy of the last AGM minutes and a copy of the current financials available. 2020 has been a tough year so we will revisit our AGM in 2021. However, Susan our President Elect, is very well organized and was able to announce her Board for 2021/22. See page 2 for the details.

I am excited for our Christmas breakfast this week and know that a lot of work has gone on behind the scenes in preparing Santa. He is well briefed and knows who is naughty and nice, so you better watch out, because Santa is coming to the USC (hope he meets the dress code!). It is also the season for giving and once again we are donating gift vouchers to families living in remote rural areas, still doing it tough. Make sure it can be used in a broad range of shops such as a Visa or Eftpos Gift Card (you can buy them in the supermarkets). These cards bring the gift of dignity and demonstrate that people care.

While 2020 has posed many challenges we have also achieved a lot for our community and enjoyed ourselves. See pages 5 and 6 for brief snapshot of the year in review. A big thank you to the USC for accommodating us in our time of need. I wish you and your families a safe and fun filled holiday season and look forward to doing some amazing projects, welcoming new members and hearing fantastic speakers in 2021.



## Don't forget your Gift Cards to be donated to families out west

#### **INTERNATIONAL TOAST**

This week we toast the Rotary Club of North Pole which meets every Wednesday at 12.00pm for lunch. This is the Club that Santa belongs to and they have a strong focus on Youth (of course!). They have a special parking bay for his sleigh.



#### **PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER**

17 Dec	Children's Christmas breakfast	
24 Dec – 7 Jan	Christmas Break	
14 Jan	Welcome Back Lesley Leese – CEO 3 <sup>rd</sup> Space	

#### **ROSTER**

ROSTER	17 Dec	14 Jan	21 Jan
Chair	Barbara	Steve S	Jane
Set Up and Close	Steve S	Jane	Zanthia
Greeter	Zanthia	Zanthia	Angela
Sergeant	Rob	Kit	John

## RECOGNITION of TRADITIONAL OWNERS

I acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, the Turrbal and Yugara people, and pay my respect to their elders, past, present and emerging

#### **APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS**

NOTIFY OUR CLUB BY 7.00 am TUESDAY PRIOR TO THAT WEEK'S MEETING AT:

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#### DIRECT DEBIT

PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS, EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:

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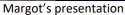
#### **ROTARY GRACE**

For friends, service, good fun and fellowship, especially the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

## Last Week's Meeting

Margot gave a great summary of the year and it was decided to adjourn our AGM until we have our financial records prepared in early 2021. However, we enjoyed a great Kingaroy quiz with appropriate prizes from Sergeant John which was fun and enjoyed fellowship at our meeting.







Great to see Dylys, Anne-Marie and Greg again



Craig and Dylys



An example of the great prizes to be won in the Kingaroy Quiz. Thanks John for such an entertaining Sergeant's session. Who would have thought that Kingaroy could be so much fun



## 2021/22 Board Nominations

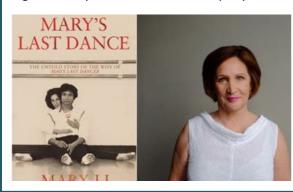
Nominations	President Past President President Elect Secretary Treasurer Director Service Director Major Projects Director Youth Director Fellowship Director Membership Director Foundation/Donations Director Program Hot Air	Susan Rix Margot Baillie Barbara Leddy Robyn Drake Lindsay Marshall Keith McNeil Bill Phillips Greg Pearson Yvonne Robson Deb Le Garde Russell Postle Angela Tillmanns Angela Tillmanns	Rotary Brisbane High-Rise
Non Board Positions	Special Projects  Venue Liaison Attendance	Bill Phillips Margot Baillie Rosemary Meadows Deb Le Garde	

## **Upcoming Events at our Breakfasts**

#### Guest Speaker on 4 February 2021 - Mary Li, Qld ballet

We are beginning to get some great guest speakers lined up for 2021. If anyone has any ideas, people or topics they want covered let Angela know. Our speaker on 4 February will be Mary Li. This will be a great meeting to invite family and friends along to, especially if they are interested in the Arts.

Mary Li (formerly Mary McKendry) was raised in Rockhampton, Queensland, the third of eight children. She was first introduced to ballet by her teacher Valeria Hansen. At sixteen she was accepted into the Royal Ballet School, London. She joined the London Festival Ballet (English National Ballet) in 1977 and was promoted through the ranks to principal dancer in 1981. In 1985, Mary joined Houston Ballet as a principal dancer. During her performing career, Mary danced principal roles in all the major classical ballets, including *Swan Lake, The Sleeping Beauty, Giselle, Romeo and Juliet* and *The Nutcracker*, as well as leading roles in contemporary ballets, some created especially for her. She has worked with legendary teachers, choreographers, artistic directors and artists, including Rudolf Nureyev, Margot Fonteyn and Ben Stevenson. She married fellow principal dancer Li Cunxin in 1987, and they have danced together all over the world. Following their return to Australia in 1995 Mary worked with the Australian Ballet as a coach, while raising their children Sophie, Tom and Bridie. For the past ten years she has been ballet mistress at Queensland Ballet where her husband Li is artistic director. Together they have turned the company into one of worldwide recognition and acclaim.





# Guest Speaker on 25 February 2021 – Tim Arvier, Channel 9 Journalist of the Year

Tim Arvier is a reporter for Nine News in the US and after the President's inauguration will be relocating back to Brisbane.

Over the past 15 years, Tim has been based in Sydney, Darwin, and London, working for Channel Nine, the BBC, Sky World News, and CNN. In his hometown of Brisbane, some of Tim's stories that made a difference to our society included exposing a suburban drug ring which resulted in a drug dealer being jailed, uncovering voting irregularities in the Lady Cilento Children's Hospital Poll which were looked at by the Crime and Corruption Commission, and filming exclusive footage of notorious sex offender Robert Fardon who was being housed next to a childcare centre and local state school.

In 2020 Tim was acknowledged for his outstanding coverage of the riots in Minneapolis winning big at the Clarion Awards claiming three awards on the night for Broadcast Interview, TV News Report, and Journalist of the Year 2020.

This is a guest speaker not to be missed.





## **Update from members**

#### Frank Contacts Munich International Club

Dear friend Frank,

Thank you so much for your nice email. We are very happy that we got chosen to toast to and that through that you got in touch with us. We usually meet on Mondays, 8pm, in the Hilton, Tucherpark. Now, due to Corona, we meet online which turned out to be a great experience, too. You are more than welcome to join our meetings whenever suits you. Here <a href="https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5378/Events?">https://portal.clubrunner.ca/5378/Events?</a> you can find all our upcoming events and the links to join our online meeting directly. Next Monday, 14th of December, we are glad to have an online Christmas party with a concert played by our scholars of the Orlandus-Lassus Stiftung. The details can also be found under the provided link. We would be happy to see you there, too!

Stay safe and happy advent! Warm Rotarian regards, Marina Bassilious (Secretary RMI 2020/21)

### A Lot of Fun at the Latest Greg Cooley Lunch



Greg Cooley catches up with Yvonne, Noela, Deb and Dylys



Deb and Anne-Marie having fun







A very merry band

### 2020 in Review





NYSF students having fun at Southbank



John with Graham Jones. We heard about the Malaria vaccine

Tiina's formal in Finland



We heard about Yvonne riding the dog sleds in the Yukon



RI Million Dollar Dinner





**GUESS WHO? CORONA VIRUS, TOILET PAPER &** A TRIP DOWN **MEMORY LANE** 



Our last meeting at the Marriott



Marissa Ker and Boston



Due to the Corona virus the BHR Board is taking the precaution of cancelling meetings until 16 April 2020

Hot Air will continue to be produced



Books given to Sue St Clair

Hannah has fun in Brazil



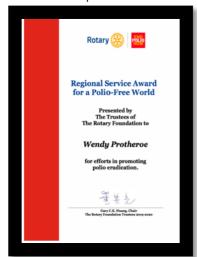
RIDEWEST



First of many Zoom meetings



Bill's puzzles



Wendy receives a District Award



Hannah safely home





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# See you on **ZOOM**

On page 2 is the agenda for our Change Over Meeting.

# **Congratulations – Lindsay BHR Rotarian of the Year**





**Greg Cooley Lunches** 



Albert Park Flexible Learning centre



Go West breakfast

Our youngest and oldest members



Change Over



One of our great guest speakers



Longreach Trip



Painting 3<sup>rd</sup> Space *The*MORETON

**ROOM** 

gust 27 2020 8.30pm

Rotary
Art Spectacular
Celebration Night!

Melbourne Cup

Frank in Germany

## Our Fraser Island Heroes - Thank you



















## **A Christmas Message**







