

HOT AIR 26 November 2020 The Rotary Foundation



FROM OUR PRESIDENT MARGOT BAILLIE

Over the past week our Service Committee has been very busy with the 3rd Space painting project. Thank you to Bunnings and Dulux for donating the paint and a special thanks to Keith and his workers for a job well done. See page 3 for the photos of the painting team. I know the work undertaken has been really appreciated by 3rd Space and their clients. It will really make a difference to the look and feel of the place.

I'd also like to thank Alan Strong (Deb's partner) for organizing a Club fundraising activity. There was a group of us that provided invigilation services for medical board exams that were needed to be held locally due to Covid restrictions. This was a great opportunity for us to boost the Club's coffers and would not have been possible without the quick thinking and generosity of Alan to share this opportunity.

Having Zanthia speak last week and hear about some of her school highlights reminded me of the importance of school award ceremonies in the development of our young people. Over the past week the Club has been represented at both the St James College and Albert Park Flexible Learning Centre's award ceremonies, where we presented bursaries to well deserving students. These events are always such a privilege to be part of and promotes Rotary to a whole new generation, while investing locally in our young people. Seeing the talent, determination and passion for creating a better world in our younger generation is very inspiring. See page 5 for the photos. Winston our NYSF participant will be visiting the Club with Ann, Principal of St James College this week, so please make them welcome.

I am looking forward to hearing from Leanne Harvey this week about the changes in the university sector, which will impact on those graduating in 2020.

Have a great week.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

This week we toast the Rotary Club of Bologna North, in Italy. This is the Club that is closest to the University of Bologna in Italy, which is considered to be the first university that is still in operation, founded in 1088.



PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER

26 Nov	Leanne Harvey VP Admin and Registrar QUT		
3 Dec	No Meeting		
10 Dec	AGM – Strategic Plan		
17 Dec	Children's Christmas breakfast		
24 Dec	Christmas Break		

ROSTER

ROSTER	26 Nov	3 Dec	10 Dec	17 Dec
Chair	Susan	No	Russell	Yvonne
Set Up and Close	Russell	Meeting	Yvonne	Steve S
Greeter	Yvonne		Steve S	Zanthia & Barbara
Sergeant	Kit		John	Rob

RECOGNITION of	APOLOGIES / GUESTS and MAKEUPS	DIRECT DEBIT	ROTARY GRACE
TRADITIONAL OWNERS I acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today, the Turrbal	NOTIFY OUR CLUB BY 7.00 am TUESDAY PRIOR TO THAT WEEK'S MEETING AT: apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com	PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS, EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT: BSB 084 -034	For friends, service, good fun and fellowship, especially the Fellowship of
and Yugara people, and pay my respect to their elders, past, present and emerging	HOT AIR EDITOR angela@razconsulting.com.au	Account Number 559347857	Rotary we Give our thanks

Last Week's Meeting

Thanks to Susan and Zanthia for stepping in to fill a gap in our calendar when the DG needed to postpone. It is always good to hear and understand more about our members. It also turned out to be a good intro into this week's speaker, Leanne Harvey from QUT. It was interesting to hear a student's perspective on the recent changes to the university sector prior to hearing a university's perspective. Bill and Elenor received our hearty video welcome and were most appreciative. There is more on Bill's quarantine adventures on page 6). It was also great to welcome Phil Breene back to our meetings and for the Club to officially receive the Brett Mitchell award from the District for the boxing program grant. The joker draw went off. Zanthia drew Angela's ticket!!! Angela was very excited to win just over \$800. A big meeting for the Tillmanns!



Susan Rix (right) and Zanthia Tillmanns preparing for their interview



Rosemary (right) receiving the District Award on behalf of the Club from Wendy Protheroe Past and incoming DG



Kira Odger (regular visitor) and Zanthia



Phil Breene (right) catching up with John Leddy



Angela Tillmanns a very happy winner



The winning ticket and Joker card

Fighting Fires on Fraser Island

Russell and Steve preparing to head out to fight the fires on Fraser Island on Saturday night. Love Steve's helmet.



3rd Space – Revitalisation

Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the painting job at 3rd space. It was a great effort with representation from High Rise, Hamilton, New Farm and River City Rotoractors. The group completed walls and ceilings in two rooms and a foyer. As a value-add, they assembled some workstations in one of the newly painted rooms. Volunteers also had an opportunity to say hello to many of those who pop in for a shower, feed and place to sleep for a few hours. In some instances there had obviously only been a short leap between living at home and finding themselves without a place to live. Great that we can help this organisation make a difference to these people's lives and help them get back on their feet. A big thanks to Keith for organising.



The Weekend Team





Keith in a compromising position

Is John painting in his scrubs?



Steve being well supervised





St James College

Financial Result

Dinner ticket sales 81 @ Dinner meal costs 105 @ 9 Dinner Net Proceeds Raffle Sales Total Net Proceeds/Donation

81 @ \$60 \$4,860 105 @ \$23 <u>\$2,415</u> paid 18/11/2020 \$2,445 <u>\$ 620</u> ponation **\$3,065 paid 19/11/2020**

The school also processed around \$1,200 in raffle ticket sales using the school EFTPOS machine. Hence total funds to the school will have <u>exceeded \$6,500</u> plus the 2 bursaries.

Great Result from Art Show Celebration

Thank you from St James

Dear Margot, Lindsay and Rotarians

Thank you so much - we are very grateful and also so thrilled to have such an experience for our students in hospitality and the Arts. We will look at what we might purchase and will name Rotary on as the donor.

Maybe we can do this again as a Rotary Arts event? I know parents would also like to come and see students art work so possibilities are there! It is so great to have your support for our College. We have such a diverse population with incredible aspirational stories.

Kind Regards Ann Rebgetz

Upcoming Events at our Breakfasts

Leanne Harvey VP – Admin & University Registrar QUT The Changing Environment for Universities This week - 26 November 2020

2020 has been a tumultuous year for Universities in Australia. They have had to deal with massive job losses, dramatically reduced overseas students and significant Federal Government Reform. Come along and hear from Leanne about how QUT has adapted to the changes and preparing for 2021 and beyond, as we all learn to live with Covid 19.

10 December 2020

BHR Annual General Meeting

BHR Children's Christmas Breakfast 17 December 2020

Our usual Christmas breakfast with children, nieces, nephews and grandchildren is scheduled for 17 December, so make sure you get it in their diaries. Santa has been booked and the United Services Club has promised a special child friendly breakfast. A list will be passed around at the next two meetings for children's' details, so that Santa can be prepared and bring appropriate gifts.

Christmas Break

Our Club will be taking a Christmas break from 18 December until 13 January. First meeting in 2021 will be on Thursday 14 January.













the university for the real world

Albert Park Flexible Learning Centre Awards Ceremony

Steve Settle and Rosemary Meadows represented BHR at the awards ceremony at Albert Park Flexible Learning Centre (APFLC) last Thursday. Steve made a very touching speech and presented two bursaries to very deserving students to assist with achieving success in their chosen professions. It was a joyful ceremony and they caught up with Roger and Pam from Toowong RC. Sadly Simon Clowes, Principal, is moving to a school in Logan after 15 years at APFLC and he gave a very moving address to the students.





Steve and Rosemary with one of the bursary recipients

Steve and Rosemary with Simon



Pam, Simon, Roger, bursary recipient, Rosemary and Steve at APFLC

You are invited to The Rotary Club of Pine Rivers Christmas Party

 Datg: Tugsday 15th Dgcgmbgr 2020

 Location: Function Rooms, Murrumba Downs Tavgrn

 Timg: arrival at 6:30pm for 7:00pm start

 Cost: \$35 pgr pgrson

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RSVP: secretary.pinerivers@rotary9600.org by Tuesday 8 December 2019 Entertainment will include table trivia, raffles and prizes.

Bill & Elenor's Adventures in Quarantine

As most of you probably haven't had to do quarantine before, I thought I would give you a brief update on what it's like. When we arrived back at Brisbane Airport on Tuesday afternoon we were immediately placed in quarantine and taken by the police to the 4 Points by Sheraton hotel in Mary Street, and where we still are despite our home being about 400 metres up the street.

We are in a fairly standard 3/4 star hotel room. A bed, a small desk, one lounge chair, one upright chair, TV. Thank goodness we have internet. I did manage to get a second upright chair so one of us didn't have to sit on the bed to eat. There are the usual kettle and tea and coffee. Our room is on the 10th floor. The windows are sealed and cannot be opened. Our view is of the Albert street construction site for the new underground railway station. We are confined to this room for 23 hours a day. We have no door key, so we can open the door but can't get back in if it closes behind us. The lifts are locked and controlled by police. (We can access the fire escape if we ever need to). The room is 11 paces from door to window. We are provided three meals a day. A fixed menu, no choice, take it or leave it. Elenor is vegetarian so she gets a different meal to me. The meals are delivered in cardboard boxes inside brown paper bags with plastic cutlery. The process of delivering meals is interesting. There is a knock at the door. We have to wait 10 seconds to allow the delivery person to go. The meals are on the floor outside . We pick them up, eat them, and put the rubbish outside the door again. Someone magically collects it. The food is adequate, sometimes good, just once totally inedible. I thought we would lose weight but I don't think that's going to happen as we aren't getting enough exercise. Extra food can be ordered from restaurants via Deliveroo, or even Coles supermarket, but we have no cooking facilities. We never see another human during those 23 hours. Once a day a policeman knocks at our door and we are allowed to accompany him down to the hotel loading dock, which is 90% underground. There is a tiny gap at one end where we can see the sky. There are usually other inmates there, and we walk around in anti clockwise circles until the police say time is up. Then the police return us to our room. We are not allowed visitors. Luckily we arrived with a suitcase each of travelling clothes etc. so we are not short of clothes. And they are lightweight travel clothes so we can wash and dry them ourselves without having to spend money on hotel laundry. One of our daughters will go to our home today and pick up a few items for She has to deliver them to hotel reception where they are us. inspected by police before being sent to our room. We won't see her. The Red Cross has rung our mobile phone to check on our health. We get calls from various people in the Department of Health checking on things like our address, and our medical issues. We have never been tested for Covid, nor has our temperature been checked. Though supposedly we will be tested this Sunday. This place scares us. All the recent Covid outbreaks in Australia can be traced back to the quarantine hotels. Elenor and I are in the highest risk group in the community because of our age and health issues. Yet we are put in the riskiest places in the country. We overheard a comment during yesterday's exercise that another 100 overseas arrivals are due in this hotel today. Provided our tests are clear we will be released on 2 December. At which time we get a bill from the Government for \$3700.00 for the privilege of being here. Masks are compulsory outside our room. We don't touch anything. The police open the doors for us, and they wear gloves.



Bill doing his steps



A glimmer of the outside world



Breakfast in lockdown



Not allowed knives!!



Good news. They have finally had a Covid test and it is negative.

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH GIVING THURSDAY - 3 DECEMBER

Consider making a donation on line https://my.rotary.org/en/donate



My dear friends and fellow Rotary leaders,

During Foundation Month, we would like to personally thank each and every one of you who did so much to make World Polio Day such an enormous success. Rotary members in 146 countries registered more than 6,500 World Polio Day events and activities. More than \$900,000 was contributed online to the PolioPlus Fund which moves us closer to this year's \$50 million fundraising goal to take full advantage of the Bill & Melinda Gates match. It took tremendous effort and partnership over many years to make Africa polio free. Special mention should be made for the dedicated health workers—mainly women—who travelled by every form of transportation imaginable to reach children with the polio vaccine. We are particularly grateful for the Rotary members throughout Africa and around the world who have dedicated themselves to making polio a disease of the past. In fact, Rotary member Dr. Tunji Funsho was named as one of TIME's Most Influential People in the world for his role in leading Rotary towards this historic achievement. The type of partnership we have formed to make such progress against polio provides a blueprint for future Rotary projects. In fact, such partnerships have already been formed. Next month, the Trustees hope to select the first ever Programs of Scale grant award. This is a grant of up to \$ 2 million for a three to five-year project that aligns with one of our causes. It really invites Rotary members to think big about high-impact service projects, and find partners to who are willing to invest money and resources to implement measurable and sustainable solutions. To support all this transformative work, you can end Foundation Month on a charitable note by participating in Giving Thursday on 3 December. Rotary will be joining thousands of other organizations worldwide for a global day of giving, and it is a prime opportunity to advance our mission by making a contribution to the Annual Fund.

It is now easier than ever to give to the Foundation online at <u>https://my.rotary.org/en/donate</u>

Yours in Rotary,

Holger Knaack President, Rotary International 2020-21



ANNUAL CALENDAR

The calendar will appear in every edition with new events being bolded in purple. This will give you a long range planning tool. The calendar is being maintained by Angela so if you have any updates let her know.

October 2020		November 2020		December 2020	
22	Pride of Workmanship Awards Footy Final Fever Breakfast	5	Art Show Celebration Cocktail Party	5	Club Christmas Party Tillmanns House, Tarragindi
29	Melbourne Cup Breakfast Wear your finest			17	Family Christmas Breakfast
				24 & 31	No meeting
Jan	uary 2021	Feb	ruary 2021	March 2021	
7	No meeting	13 / 14	Valentine Flower Deliveries	7	Chicks in Pink
14	Return to regular meetings			26 – 28	District Conference Kingaroy
April 2021		May 2021		June 2021	
1	Easter Breakfast				
18	Life and Hope Film Night				
July 2021		August 2021		September 2021	
2	Change over dinner				

Barb's Joke Corner

Interviewer: What drives you? Candidate: The bus mostly. Interviewer: I mean what motivates you to get out of bed in the morning? Candidate: Missing the bus!



After the Roosevelt Room and the Lincoln Bedroom, Donald Trump says his favourite room in the White House is the Oval Office. He thinks that President Oval was a 'really really great President'.