

FROM OUR PRESIDENT MARGOT BAILLIE

Happy New Year to everyone and welcome to 2021. This year marks the 100th year of Rotary in Australia so we can look forward to a number of activities throughout the year that mark this important milestone, such as the Gala being held by the Rotary Club of Brisbane (see page 5)

In keeping with the times we have decided to conduct our meeting this week on Zoom. Deb will be sending out a link, so make sure you look out for it amongst your emails.

Christmas seems so long ago but the impact of our vouchers are still lingering. Thank you to everyone who contributed, they were distributed via the Rotary Reading Assistance Program (RRAP). This means the vouchers went to families living in rural and remote areas with young children. Some of the thank you notes received by the families who are part of the RRAP is at page 4.

Another anniversary this year is the Mater's Chicks in Pink Fun Run on Sunday 7 March. This fun run has been supporting women with breast cancer in QLD for 30 years. BHR has entered a team for many years and this year is no exception. If anyone would like to join the team or sponsor our walkers see the information on page 3. It would be fantastic to beat our fundraising effort from last year. To do that we need to raise \$3,000, so please spread the word amongst your network.

As I write this we are still in lockdown and no new cases recorded, which is a relief. However, the Board is keen to ensure we put member's safety first, hence the Zoom meeting this week and potentially next week. I will keep you updated via Hot Air on the arrangements for our meeting on 21 January.

2021 promises to be just as chaotic as 2020 but at least we are better prepared.

See you on zoom

On page 2 is the agenda for
our Club Meeting. Make sure you respond to
the Zoom invitation so you are included.

PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER

14 Jan	Lesley Leese – CEO 3 rd Space Zoom meeting
21 Jan	Wilson Kiseembo NYSF Experience Potential Zoom meeting
28 Jan	Neil Black District Governor

ROSTER

ROSTER	14 Jan	21 Jan	28 Jan
Chair	Deb	Steve	Zanthia
Set Up and Close	Zoom Meeting	Jane	Angela
Greeter		Angela	Craig
Sergeant		John	Rob

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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HOT AIR EDITOR
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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



I know many of us are now ZOOM veterans but for those that may not have used it since our last meetings on Zoom I have included a few tips to get you back in the groove.

Hints for large meetings,

- Sign in a few minutes early then wait for Deb to open the meeting
- Make sure you have your coffee / tea with you
- Ensure your Video is on, by clicking on the camera icon
- Once meeting has started, please Mute your microphone until you are ready to speak...this will avoid noisy feedback
- Latecomers will be greeted at a natural break in the meeting, the convenor sees when you join the meeting, you don't need to say anything
- Please raise your hand when you wish to speak, unmute your microphone and you will be invited to speak

Enjoy the meeting

Agenda Brisbane High Rise Rotary Meeting 14 January 2021





7.25	Log On Wait to be admitted to the meeting	
7.30	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Welcome to Country- Rotary Grace- Introduction of President	Deb
7.35	Welcome by President Margot	Margot
7.40	Member's announcements (Spots) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Chicks in Pink- District Raffle- Annual fees-	Zanthia Zanthia Lindsay
7.45	Member's good news / funny stories	Deb to facilitate
8.00	Guest speaker Lesley Leece CEO 3 rd Space	
8.20	Questions to Lesley	Deb to facilitate
8.30	Close of Meeting	Margot


Last Meeting – Remember Christmas!!







Join or Support the High Rise Team – Chicks in Pink

7 March 2021

 **mater** | Chicks in Pink   Fundraise  Your Impact



Rotary High Rise
RACQ International Women's Day Fun Run 2021

    [Join Us](#)

Each year BHR fields a team of walkers in this iconic event supporting women with breast cancer. Last year we raised \$2500 and our goal this year is to raised \$3000. If you would like to join the team or donate the link is

<https://fundraise.mater.org.au/fundraiser/RotaryHighRise1271>

Impact of our Christmas Vouchers

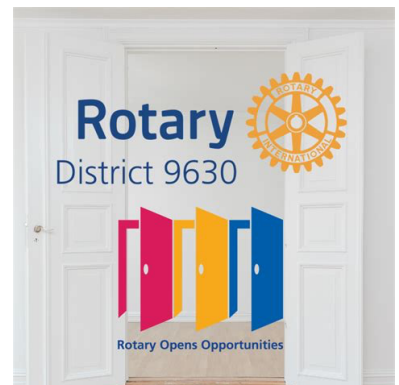
At our Christmas breakfast members donated gift vouchers to be distributed to families that are participating in the Rotary Reading Assistance Program (RRAP). We had donated books earlier in the year. Many of the recipients passed on their thanks which are captured in the comments below. It is gratifying to hear that our Christmas Cheer was spread far and wide, thank you to all members who donated vouchers and to the RRAP team for distributing.

My name is Rachael and I am writing this email to thank you and your fellow Rotary members. My two children receive the monthly book from Rotary. This is one of the most magnificent gestures which we look forward to monthly! I also wanted to say a massive thank you to the Rotary Club of Brisbane Highrise for the \$30 voucher we received. I think you go above and beyond by giving out books every month let alone the voucher also. Could you please pass on my sincere thanks to all of those involved in this wonderful project. I am a school teacher therefore applaud your commitment to ensuring young children/families are exposed to reading at such a young age.



I would like to thank the members of the Rotary District 9630 for our wonderful book we get each month they are very special in our house so much excitement when they arrive. They have greatly encouraged our sons interest in reading, his abilities are growing all from a little yellow packet in the mail box each month. Our Family would also like to say a Big thank you to the Rotary Club of Brisbane Highrise for their very generous voucher enclosed with the coolest Christmas book ever. Such a beautiful gesture and we are very grateful to receive it. We have decided to spend it on educational materials to further help our children's growth and development.

Our family would like to thank you for your generous gift of books to our sons this year. We are certainly grateful and the boys are so excited to receive the books each month! As our oldest son is now 6 and has outgrown the program, we would like to take this opportunity to share how much of a difference your gifting of books has made during his first year in school. We live in a very remote community with a small school and our library is over 100kms away. Despite these challenges, Hugh developed a fascination with reading and won the 'most improved reader' award for his school. Because of your program, he has been able to access more books and have more exposure to literature. Can you please also thank Rotary Club of Brisbane Highrise for their generous gift voucher. It was very unexpected and a blessing for us.



Just a quick email to thank you and the Rotary Club of Brisbane Highrise for the very generous gift voucher. It was unexpected and most certainly will be put to good use. Lucy loves receiving her book in the mail each month and the book often becomes a favourite quickly. Her little sister also enjoys sitting down to listen to the stories. Early literacy and the simple pleasure of reading together is so important. The Rotary club are helping instil a love of reading in young children. J.

Update from Members / Rotary

Greetings from Frank & Sabine in Munich

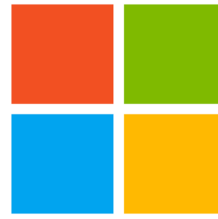
I am not sure if they built either of these snowmen, but they certainly depict the different environments we find our members in across the world, as we start 2021. We hope that sometime during 2021 we get to meet in person again. Stay safe – Frank and Sabine, we are thinking of you.



To Buy Tickets for the Gala go to

<https://events.humanitix.com/centenary-gala>

For Sale



Microsoft



Ros Mumford bought a Microsoft Office, Home & Student suite that she is unable to use, which cost her \$188.

It seems she cannot get a refund or credit from Office Works, so, before she goes to E-Bay, etc. she is willing to sell it to members' or their families for the excellent price of \$90. If you are interested in updating your software and taking up this great offer please contact Ros directly.

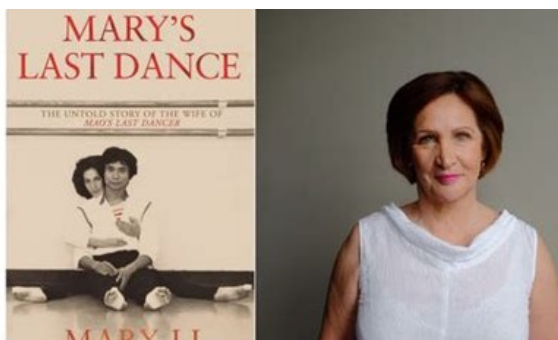


Upcoming Events at our Breakfasts

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.

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.

January 2021		February 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	26	DG Visit		
October 2021		November 2021		December 2021	
21	Pride of Workmanship			3/4	Christmas party
28	Melbourne Cup breakfast			16	Christmas breakfast
				23 & 30	No meetings

Barb's Joke Corner

Used to being the centre of attention, Robbie was a little more than jealous of his new baby sister. The parents sat him down and said that now that she was getting older, the house was too small and they'd have to move. "It's no use," Robbie said. "She's crawling good now and she'd probably just follow us."



Because our new refrigerator was taller than our old one, I told my wife I'd have to cut away part of an overhanging cabinet to make it fit. Not wanting to mess it up, I called a local radio home-fix-it program for advice. I was in the middle of getting the instructions when my wife burst into the room. "You won't believe this," she said, "but there's a guy on the radio with the same problem!"



At my granddaughter's wedding reception, the MC polled the guests to see who had been married longest. It turned out to be my husband and me. The MC asked us, "What advice would you give to the newly married couple?" I said, "The three most important words in a marriage are, 'You're probably right.'" Everyone then looked at my husband. He said, "She's probably right."