

## **HOT AIR**



28 January 2021 Vocational Service

## See you back at the United Services Club

#### FROM OUR PRESIDENT MARGOT BAILLIE

#### Hi Everyone

I hoped you enjoyed your Australian Day and hopefully joined the brilliant Rotary concert that was on-line.



It really feels like the year is off and running and we are back at the United Services Club this week. Thank you to Deb and Rosemary for adapting so quickly to the Covid restrictions and enabling our meetings to continue on Zoom. It was wonderful hearing Wilson last week talking about his challenging life circumstances as well as his experience at NYSF. He truly epitomises the diversity and strength we have in our nation. It was great to see that he is working hard and taking every opportunity that comes his way to create a successful life for himself and his family. NYSF is a wonderful Rotary program that continues to adapt and deliver, even in these challenging times. Thank you to members who volunteered to assist at the program.

Other events on our horizon are the Valentine's Day Flower deliveries, Chicks in Pink on 7 March see pages 3 & 5 to see how you can get involved. If you don't want to walk make sure you donate for this very worthwhile cause. Brisbane High Rise has been allocated Saturday 13 March to assist with Donations in Kind see page 3 for how you can support this important program. It is always a fun morning where we can combine service with fellowship. Also in March is the District Conference, if you can't make it to Kingaroy on 26 -28 March make sure you see Zanthia and buy some raffle tickets – they are selling fast. \$10 a book for an opportunity to win a car! Our film night to support PAGE is in the detailed planning stage, once again the release of the James Bond film has been delayed, now expected in October. Committee is working with New Farm Cinemas to find a suitable film for our date of 18 April. On page 4 is an update from PAGE. Also great news from St Jude's both Irene and Lightness passed their Year 4 exams with flying colours and are entering their senior years. 2021 is proving to be an exciting year and this week we are meeting with Neil Black our DG to learn more about our Rotary District.

### **INTERNATIONAL TOAST**

This week we toast the Rotary Club of Singapore because on this day back in 1819 Sir Samford Raffles arrived in Singapore. Pre Covid the Club met every Wednesday at 7.00pm at the Grand Hyatt but have now transitioned to Zoom to keep their projects moving. They support a number of local charities and clean water projects in Indonesia.

## **PROGRAM / GUEST SPEAKER**

28 Jan	Neil Black District Governor		
4 Feb	Jeanette Johnstone Teacher in a Box		
11 Feb	Matthew O'Hanlon Principal of the Year 2020 Principal Beenleigh State High School Engaging the Business Community		
18 Feb	Celebrating 100 Years of Rotary in  Australia		

#### **ROSTER**

ROSTER	28 Jan	28 Jan 4 Feb	
Chair	Steve	Angela	Zanthia
Set Up and Close	Jane	Zanthia	Craig
Greeter	Angela Craig		Chris
Sergeant	Rob	Rob	Phil

## 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:

apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com

HOT AIR EDITOR angela@razconsulting.com.au

#### DIRECT DEBIT

PREPAY FOR OUR MEETINGS, EVENTS, SUBSCRIPTIONS AT:

BSB 084 -034 Account Number 559347857

## **ROTARY GRACE**

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

## **Last Week's Meeting**

Another great Zoom meeting last week with Lindsay still getting a lot of feedback re the facial hair. It was great to catch up with Tom Davison and hear about his red algae project. Greg did a great job of interviewing Wilson despite the poor internet connection. Wilson appeared to be thoroughly enjoying his NYSF experience and is keen to apply his talents to a bio medical career. He is a great ambassador for St James College and I am sure we will hear more from Wilson as his final year of school commences.





#### Member Dues

Rotary Fees are now due. Can you please transfer \$175 for your membership dues and consider making a donation to Rotary International via our Club account

BSB 084-034 Account Number 559347857

Make sure you include your surname and fees in the description so Lindsay can keep track.



# Don't forget Rotary needs your old Computers on 4 Feb

Rotary has a great program called Teacher in a Box and they desperately need your computer. Types of computers needed have

- · An ethernet port
- at least one, preferably 2 working USB ports
- · storage drive that can be upgraded
- processor is equivalent to i-3 or better
- must be operational or easily repaired
- · not an Apple

For the lay people, the rule of thumb is that all working computers (not Apple) that are less than 9 years old are usually suitable. Please bring any suitable computers to our meeting on 4 February.



## This Week's Speaker Neil Black DG 9600



Neil was born and raised in Kingaroy. Growing up on the family farm he learned from an early age that everyone had to chip in, and hard work would always prevail. Like most country kids he finished his final years

of schooling at boarding school and upon completion he returned home to commence a career in farming. Over the next 20 years he worked beside his father on the family farm and also his own farm. During this time, he took on other jobs including drilling rigs. This work took him all over Australia and various overseas destinations. After 2 years in this position Neil embarked on a new business venture, purchasing a local commercial and domestic cleaning business, a business he still owns and runs. He also owns the The Pioneer Lodge Motel. Neil juggles his time around the motel and his cleaning company and considers his time at Rotary as his social life and holds many of the people he has met through the organisation as close and lifelong friends.

## How You Can Make a Difference



# Make Someone's Day and Help Change the World Delivering Valentine Flowers



Valentine's day is on Sunday 14 February this year so there is an extended window to deliver flowers. The proceeds from the deliveries will go to the school of St Jude and help to shape the next generation of Tanzanians. Below are some options for when you maybe able to volunteer.

#### **Shifts Available**

**Shift 1** 8.00am – Noon (6 – 8 people required, all walkers) Friday 12 February – Walking the city streets

**Shift 2** 8.00am – Noon (6 – 8 people required to form 3 to 4 teams of a driver and deliverer) Saturday 13 February – Driving to make deliveries in suburbs close to Brisbane CBD

**Shift 3** 8.00am – Noon (6-8) people required form 3 to 4 teams of a driver and deliverer) Sunday 14 February – Driving to make deliveries

Please email Bill Phillips at <a href="mailto:billphillips049@gmail.com">billphillips049@gmail.com</a> to indicate

- a) if you can help
- b) what shift(s) you are available, and
- c) if you are a driver or deliverer

Thank you for considering being part of this fundraising event.



The School

of St Jude



# Donations In Kind Sat 13 March 2021

Come along and help pack valuable medical and educational items of need into shipping containers. It is a fun activity where you can wear a Hi Vis vest and talk while you work. If you are able to spare a few hours please let Keith know either at the meeting or via email keithmcneil0711@gmail.com





# **District Governor Nominations for 2023-24**



Please note that the closing date for nominations for 2023/24 is 20 February 2021.

If you are interested in this role please contact Daryl Iseppi or visit the web site.

https://rotary9600.org/event/dead ine--submission-of-dg-nominationsfor-2023-24/

# **Update P.A.G.E. Project**

P.A.G.E.

Advancing Girls Education

Siem Reap - Cambodia

Hi Margot and High Rise members,

Happy new year to you all. Cyclone Kimi was a bit of a tease, the news reports of our demise were (as usual) greatly exaggerated!!

At PAGE we have (up to) 27 girls still under care this year.

We held our first board meeting on last Sunday to commence development the 2021 plan. We learned from Venerable that the public schools are closing frequently at the direction of the government so being able to provide consistency in education has become a little problematic.

Venerable has been researching private schools and the board has agreed that this is a good option. Future Bright International School is looking to be the preferred choice. <a href="https://fbis.edu.kh/">https://fbis.edu.kh/</a>

We see many benefits to this, and we are currently working through our revised budgets for the year. Venerable also told us that the vaccine rollout had commenced in Cambodia with the ruling politicians and senior bureaucrats being the priority. Some things never change!

Please pass on to Brisbane High-Rise Club, our sincere thanks for their continued support...

## Tim Bentley Cairns







Sanctuary

P.A.G.E. acts as a sanctuary for girls who wish to continue their education through high school and beyond. The students are provided with care, food, accommodation, tutoring, educational supplies and scholarships according to their needs.

Education

P.A.G.E. provides education support to help our students achieve academic success in the public school system. The girls are dedicated to their studies and there is a visible commitment to improving their futures. Over 140 young PAGE girls, have reach college and university to date.

Change

P.A.G.E. helps young Cambodian women who would not otherwise have the opportunity to continue their education to University.

# Diary Date 18 April

Film Night at New Farm Cinemas in support of PAGE



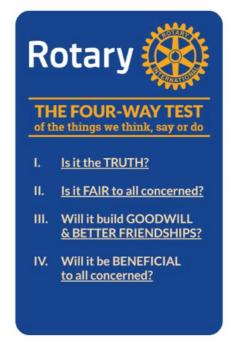
## **For Sale**





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.



## Join or Support the High Rise Team - Chicks in Pink

7 March 2021



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

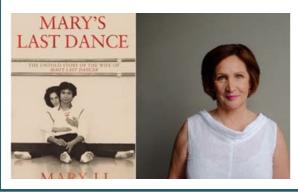
Any Questions? - Zanthia is co-ordinating this event

## **Upcoming Events at our Breakfasts**

## Guest Speaker on 11 March - 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 Nutcrucker*, 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 Forteyn and Ben Stevenson. She married fellow principal dancer Li Cunxin in 1987, and they have danced ogether 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	12, 13 14	Valentine's Day Flower Deliveries	7	Chicks in Pink
				13	Donations in Kind
14	Return to regular meetings			26 – 28	District Conference Kingaroy
Apr	il 2021	Ma	y 2021	June	2021
1	Easter Breakfast				
18	Life and Hope Film Night				
July	2021	Au	gust 2021	Sept	tember 2021
2	Change over dinner	26	DG Visit		
Oct	ober 2021	Nov	vember 2021	Dec	ember 2021
21	Pride of Workmanship			3/4	Christmas party
28	Melbourne Cup breakfast			16	Christmas breakfast
				23 & 30	No meetings



## 9600 Conference Raffle

1st Prize – Mitsubishi Mirage ES MY20 valued at \$16,999 Drawn 28 March 2021



Book of 5 tickets - \$10

See Zanthia at the meeting to buy tickets

Only 15 books left!