


HOT AIR

13 OCT 2022 | ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST



Today we toast the Rotary Club of Bogotá Capital - Colombia. The club meets every Monday at 7:30 PM. The club helps Altos de la Estancia area of Ciudad Bolívar, a poverty-stricken district, with a food donation campaign. The endeavor was planned to benefit farmers outside the city as well as people in the neighborhood. They collected funds and bought fruits and vegetables from 10 farming families. The food was distributed to 346 families by Sineambore, a local organic waste recycler, which also provided organic fertilizer to the farmers in the network.

FROM THE PRESIDENT – BARBARA LEDDY

Peter Haenke an Investment Manager with ARENA (Australian Renewable Energy Agency) spoke to the club on Australia's decarbonisation journey: Challenges and Opportunities with specific reference to ARENA's role in R&D and deployment of new technologies.

Of interest is that on an annual basis renewable energy is over 30% of Australia's electricity supply now and has doubled in the last 5 years with a trajectory of 100% of all electricity generation somewhere between 2030 and 2050 depending on the development of Hydrogen power.

Peter spoke about this as akin to a new Industrial Revolution and the great opportunity for Australia to take advantage of renewables given our natural and human resources.

Part of the future predicts new jobs of between 212k to 446k, but with a need for \$53-100 billion of new investment that could abate 70 Mt CO2 equivalent.

ARENA'S portfolio of investment includes

- Optimising the transition to renewable electricity
- Commercialisation of clean hydrogen
- Support the transition to low emissions metals (iron ore and alumina as examples) and

- Decarbonise land transport through electric vehicles. This is a big new area of investment and technology for Australia and the talk was well received. Perhaps an annual update from Peter may be of use?

This articulate overview was supplied by Peter's cousin, our Tom Davison, who kindly offered to decipher Peter's message in a much more professional manner than that which I was able. He has also supplied me with a visual representation of Peter's talk which I will send to you electronically. Thank you heaps, Tom

A couple of future events I wish to draw attention to are Noela Phillip's presentation on Tanzania this week & our Melbourne Cup celebration on October 27.

Noela's talk will have great relevance to those participating in the Club tour early next year & will be a refreshing update for those return travellers who know & love the Country.

Our work in Tanzania is a hallmark of the dedication of our Club to support & improve the education of children & support families in third-world nations.

to be continued →

2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

- 13 OCT Noela Phillips
Tanzania Update
- 20 OCT New Member Interviews
- 27 OCT Melbourne Cup Event

3 ROSTER

ROSTER	13 OCT	20 OCT	27 OCT
Chair	Dyls	Rod C	Rowan C
Set Up & Close	Rod C	Rowan C	Bryce D
Greeter	Rowan C	Bryce D	Tom D
Sergeant	Greg P	John Arvier	Kit B

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Brisbane High Rise Rotary Club acknowledges the First Nations people as the original inhabitants of the land we are on today and honours their Elders past, present and emerging.

APOLOGIES & GUEST

Notify of attendance, guests and apologies by 7.00am on Tuesday prior to the meeting

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ROTARY GRACE

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

FROM THE PRESIDENT – BARBARA LEDDY

Melbourne Cup is on us again! We will celebrate with a 'pretend' race led by infamous caller, Kit Bennetts, at the meeting prior to the actual Cup.

Not sure whether we can have a 'glass' but will check this out optimistically! I promise you won't have to cater for inclement weather ;)

Dust off your hat & gear from last year, or splurge on a new creation & be prepared for a fun meeting. There will be prizes for the best dressed & for those who get a place in Kit's rendition.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Let go of guilt - if you can't put it right, just forgive yourself & move on"

Last Week's Meeting

Last week's meeting was fantastic; Peter Haenke, an Investment Manager with ARENA (Australian Renewable Energy Agency), spoke to the club via zoom about Australia's decarbonisation journey. Also, Alex is here to announce the RFDS's application for RideWest funds.



Up and Coming Guest Speakers

Great opportunity to invite guests

UPCOMING SPEAKER

TANZANIA UPDATE

NOELA PHILLIPS

13 OCT 2022

Congratulations to the New Hamlin Midwives!



Hamlin College of Midwives Class of 2022

At the end of July, we celebrated the graduation of 16 impressive young women from the Hamlin College of Midwives. Each had studied a four-year Bachelor of Science degree in Midwifery and will now spend at least another four years working in Hamlin-supported midwifery clinics, preventing obstetric fistula and saving lives. To date 234 midwives have graduated from Hamlin College of Midwives and have gone on to work in one of 94 Hamlin-supported midwifery clinics. **This level of study is all thanks to scholarships provided by donors like you!**



Beza Gebremichael – Top of the class

“Midwives are important. During my clinical practice there was a mother who was bleeding severely. She was so pale and unconscious but after management she survived. I was very happy to see that.

After graduating, I am excited that I will be posted to my family’s community in SNNPR in Southwestern Ethiopia. It gives me satisfaction because serving them feels like paying them back for what they did for me.”



Mastewal Andualem – Second in the class

“Midwives; they save the life of both the mother and the baby. Now I am graduating, I am happy because I too will save lives.

I’ll be working in the Amhara region where my family is from. I understand the language, culture, and beliefs of the community. Therefore, I can solve their problems accordingly. I am excited to begin my career as a midwife there.”



Mulu Kassaw – Third in the class

“I decided I wanted to become a midwife before I was seven years old. My Aunt was a graduate by this profession.

“The parts of this job I will enjoy the most are attending delivery and giving family planning service. I am being posted to a Hamlin-supported midwifery clinic in the Amhara region, close to my family. I am happy that I will be of service to the women in my community.”



Etsegenet Wudneh – managed 108 deliveries!

(Australian BSc Midwifery graduates have managed a minimum of 30 ‘normal births’ by the time they graduate)

“I’m very happy I have graduated because now I can help rural area mothers. I will be working in a Hamlin midwifery clinic in SNNPR near to my family home and community.

The midwifery profession is a gift of God. Not all people can be a midwife. If you are gifted, be a midwife and be empathetic.”

Thank you for helping prevent obstetric fistula by supporting midwifery care.

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR HAMLIN HIGH TEA GREAT PRIZES AWAIT!

5 TICKETS

\$20

PRIZES:

a beautiful jewellery set | wine
(donated by Margaret Rix)

Hamlin Spice Mix | and much more!



Eliminate Malaria – Make a better world!

Some of Australia's leading, internationally recognised malaria scientists will present the results of their research at the 2022 National Ram Conference in Brisbane on 22-23 October and volunteer Rotarians will report on the real and practical progress they are making towards elimination of malaria in partner countries: Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste (and West Timor to limit cross border infection) and Vanuatu. These are the projects made possible by your support to RAM.

Register now: Seize this unique opportunity (the RAM Conference is only hosted in Brisbane every 3-6 years)



REGISTER NOW

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

THEME: Towards a Malaria-free Indo Pacific Region

SATURDAY 22 & SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022
BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, QUEENSLAND

REGISTRATION FEE: \$160, ROTARACTOR DISCOUNT \$80
CONFERENCE DINNER: \$55PP

[HTTPS://EVENTS.HUMANITIX.COM/2022-RAM-NATIONAL-CONFERENCE](https://events.humanitix.com/2022-ram-national-conference)

Highlights include:

- Pre-conference seminars
- Cutting edge scientific papers
- Keynote speaker Prof Maxine Whittaker on "The role civil societies have played and continue to play in malaria elimination in the Greater Mekong Region"
- Partner country project reports

For more information, contact: Dr Russ Stephenson (rusmer1@hotmail.com / 0409 765 124) or Dr Ivor Harris - Conference program (ivorharris@hotmail.com / 0499 536 963)



NEW TICKET RELEASE

ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

SATURDAY 22 & SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER 2022
BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL, QUEENSLAND

REGISTRATION FEES

SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER - **\$100** SPEAKER PROGRAM OF CUTTING EDGE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON MALARIA ELIMINATION - INCLUDES TEA BREAKS AND LUNCH
SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER - **\$55** CONFERENCE DINNER
SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER - **\$60** REPORTS ON MALARIA ELIMINATION PROJECTS IN OUR PARTNER COUNTRIES - INCLUDES MORNING TEA

[HTTPS://EVENTS.HUMANITIX.COM/2022-RAM-NATIONAL-CONFERENCE](https://events.humanitix.com/2022-ram-national-conference)

Need to book your accommodation for our National Conference in Brisbane in October? We've got you covered!

The Conference Committee has negotiated a special price of \$130 for a standard room — simply contact the Brisbane International Hotel on 07 3265 7066 and make sure to mention "Rotary".

For more information, contact: Dr Russ Stephenson (rusmer1@hotmail.com / 0409 765 124) or Dr Ivor Harris - Conference program (ivorharris@hotmail.com / 0499 536 963)

RideWest Fundraising Event

A letter from Meredith Staib, Chief Executiev Officer



*photo taken from RideWest's FB Page

Thanks to the amazing fundraising by RideWest, we are in a position to recruit an additional mental health clinician to our Outback Mental Health team.

Dr Tim Driscoll is currently recruiting for a new position based in Charleville, with the role recently being advertised. The core focus of this new role will be:

- Providing one-on-one clinical service to key communities that have a need for additional mental

health support; Augathella, Tambo, Blackhall and Mitchell

- Delivering mental health education across south-west Queensland—including community workshops and mental health first aid training

As you know, people living in remote, rural and regional Australia are almost twice as likely to die from suicide. A significant contributing factor to this tragic statistic is a lack of access to mental health services because of isolation, cost and limited local mental health professionals.

Wellbeing Out West aims to address this lack of access by directly supporting communities with mental health services and increasing community capacity to support each other through mental health training.

I am extremely grateful to you both, the RideWest board and sponsors, the support team, and of course—all the riders! Every day, I feel grateful to be part of a service that is trusted by the communities we serve and is there to support families and communities during some of their hardest times. But we are only able to be there because of our supporters. Thank you.

District News

Highlights from the recently concluded RYLA 2022, through the direction of **Kym McCluskey, District 9620 RYLA Chair 2022**

Last week 29 RYLArrians, 6 Alumni Leaders and 5 Coaches left behind everyday life to be fully immersed in RYLA 2022. The RYLArrians were challenged to step outside their comfort zone, be inspired, learn a lot about themselves (and others) and think big! There was a balance of thinking time and doing time as well as loads of fun to allow them to experience all of the things that define a great leader.

A primary theme that carried across the week was "it doesn't matter how big or small your idea seems, if you're willing to back it, you can take it anywhere". We heard from a number of inspirational speakers including our own Bill Phillips (Mamba), Ashton Woods (DV Safe Phones), Sarah Cowley (UNICEF) and Maddie Kelly (School of St Judes) who spoke about the impact they have made to the lives of others, by backing their idea.

To underpin this theme, 6 teams of RYLArrians came up with an idea for their own project to support a Rotary focus area and create a big social impact. The ideas were innovative and showcased the caliber of emerging leaders within our Rotary family. You can see the teams 'pitch' their ideas to our judges on a Facebook live broadcast here: [RYLA District 9620 | Facebook](#). At the end of the broadcast you can also see the RYLArrians telling us what RYLA means to them.

Setting out in February this year, it has been quite a journey to bring the new District 9620 program to life. I enlisted the help of 4 amazing friends, with specialities in innovation, program management, emotional intelligence, leadership and facilitation to rewrite the program. They volunteered their time to help design the program, write their individual sessions and relocate to Tuckekoi for a week to deliver RYLA 2022. We were supported by a team of 6 Alumni leaders (including High-Rise sponsored Jimmy Postle) who uplifted the program through experiences and activities that strengthened leadership concepts, while having a lot of fun.

And a big thanks to the High-Rise team for your support - Wendy, Andrew and Bill all came to present.

It's very humbling to think about how Rotary has helped to change lives, not only through teaching young adults new skills but also living Rotary values of inclusion, support and helping others. The participants rated RYLA 4.8 out of 5 overall - a fabulous result for a fabulous week.



Some testimonials that tell you the story behind the score:

"Like most people, I really had no idea what to expect from this week, but it turned out to be a pivotal moment in my leadership journey. I never could have imagined what this week would bring, and I'm so grateful that I had the opportunity to attend...I hope you all understand the extent of the positive impact you've had on participants... You're sending youth back to their communities feeling inspired, motivated, empowered and ready to be the change that they wish to see in the world. This world needs people like that, and your invaluable contribution is making it happen! 😊"



"Literally one of the best weeks of my life! Thank you so much, looking forward to seeing everyone again soon."

"I have learned so much and will remember for life"

"Just wanted to congratulate you once again on the outstanding RYLA program you delivered over the last week. I was most impressed. I'm sure it was a daunting task to bring such a diverse group together as you and the team did. The participants without exception were engaged, together and excited by the individual personal progress they each made through the course of the week's program. "



District News

Hamilton the Musical



A poster for Hamilton the Musical. It features a silhouette of a person standing on a large black star against a golden background with spotlights. The word "HAMILTON" is written in large white letters across the star. Below the star, it says "HAMILTON THE MUSICAL" and "16TH OF FEBRUARY 2023". At the bottom left, there is a megaphone icon and a call to action: "Final call for anyone who wants tickets, please see Susan ASAP! (she needs to finalise by the end of the week)".

Hamlin High Tea



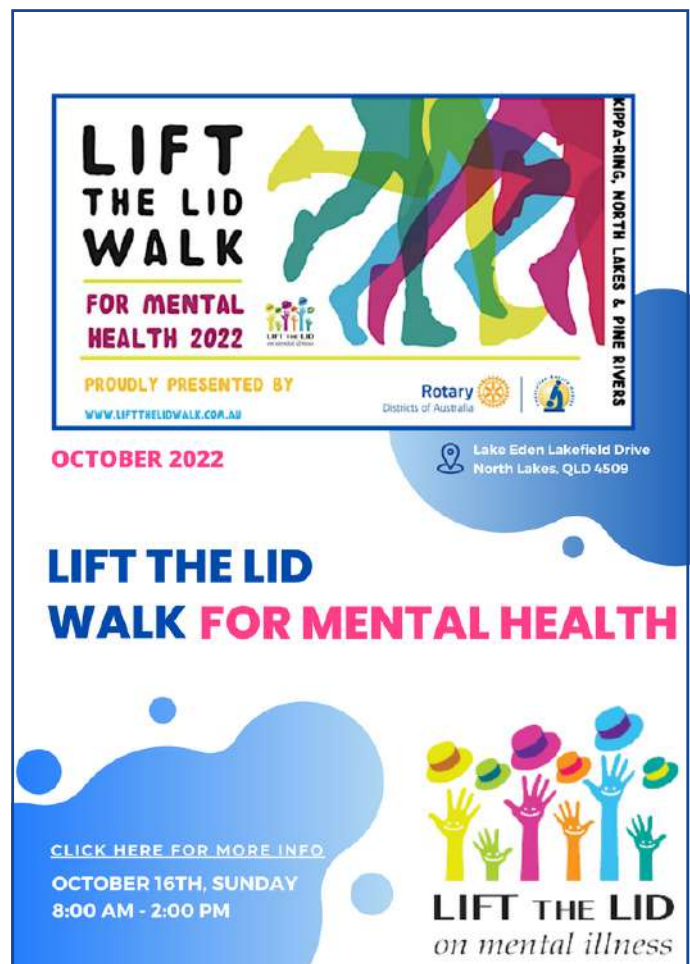
A poster for Hamlin High Tea. It features a blue teapot and a teacup on a white surface. A blue tag in the top left corner says "\$25 +bring a plate to share". The text reads "Catherine Hamlin Fistula Foundation" with a logo, "HAMLIN HIGH TEA", "22 OCTOBER | SATURDAY", and "202/1 O'Connell St, Kangaroo Point | 2:00 - 4:00 PM". It also says "RSVP: Margot" and "x x x x".

Rotary Conference 2023



A poster for the District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023. The title is "Leadership Hands Heart & Mind" in yellow and white. Below it, it says "District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023". The Rotary logo and a head with a heart icon are shown. The text "District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023" is repeated. The dates "24th-26th March 2023" and "Area Governors Dinners from 6:30pm" are listed. The location is "Brisbane City Hall, 64 Adelaide St, Brisbane City QLD 4000, Australia (adjacent to King George Square)". A button says "BOOK YOUR TICKETS HERE" with the URL "https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=880113&".

Walk for Mental Health



A poster for the Lift the Lid Walk for Mental Health. It features a colorful graphic of people walking. The text reads "LIFT THE LID WALK FOR MENTAL HEALTH 2022" and "PROUDLY PRESENTED BY Rotary Districts of Australia". The location is "Lake Eden Lakefield Drive, North Lakes, QLD 4509". The date is "OCTOBER 2022". At the bottom, it says "LIFT THE LID WALK FOR MENTAL HEALTH" and "LIFT THE LID on mental illness". A button says "CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFO" with the date "OCTOBER 16TH, SUNDAY 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM".

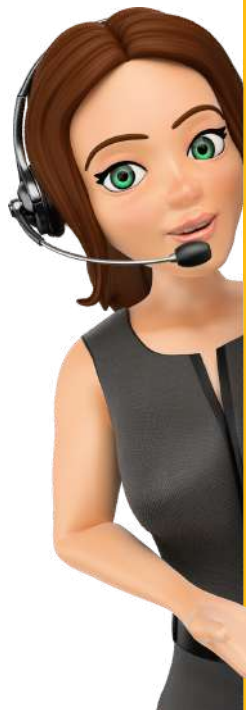
Announcements

Act now and save on the 2023 Rotary International Convention



The convention promises to be an inspirational event, with distinguished speakers, energizing breakout sessions, and abundant opportunities to brainstorm ideas for Doing Good in the World with Rotary and Rotaract members from around the globe.

[Register now](#) to get a reduced rate, and encourage your friends to do the same. This offer expires 15 December.



If you are interested to **get a copy of Peter Haenke's presentation** on Australia's decarbonisation journey: Challenges and Opportunities with specific reference to ARENA's role in R&D and deployment of new technologies, please let us know.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Robyn is organising to borrow BH-R polo shirts for people who are travelling to **Tanzania January 2023**. Some of you have already offered. If you are prepared to lend a shirt can you please email the size and whether it's for a male or female. We can then match that with the list of Tanzanian travellers. Make sure your name is labelled so we can return the shirt to you towards the end of January.



Email at rdrak@icloud.com

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

PRESIDENT

July 2023 - June 2024



Please contact Dyls dbertelsen@windsor-group.com.au



Rotary Parkrun

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate - it's up to you!

A Google sheet is created for everyone who wants to volunteer.

Just **go to the link (control and click) and add your name where you are willing to be involved** - close (No need to save) and Bryce will let the park run organizers know you will be there.

Link to Google Sheet:
[Roster for Rotary at Parkrun](#)



Helpful links to explain how to be involved:
<https://www.parkrun.com.au/stonescorner/>