



# HOT AIR

20 OCT 2022 | ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT



**1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST**



Today we toast the Rotary Club of Astana - Kazakhstan. The club meets every Wednesday at 7:00 PM. They inaugurated its first inclusive playground. Named Kunshyaq or "Sunshine," the playground has specialized swings, ramps, merry-go-rounds, and other equipment to accommodate children with and without disabilities and instill values of tolerance and empathy.

## FROM THE PRESIDENT – BARBARA LEDDY

When I became President this year, I was quite fascinated to know that Jennifer Jones' chosen theme for her Rotary World President's year was 'IMAGINE ROTARY'

How I thought, are we as a Club going to embrace such a request? Some will remember my first Hot Air when I told you about my little language student James To who imagined himself in a rocket going to the moon.

Then I told the story of my Russian Child Psychiatrist student who, couldn't ever imagine himself practising in Australia. Then, with both of us thinking beyond the square, we were able to get him a place at the Mater Children's Hospital observing Australian doctors. We imagined 'big'.

Last week I saw from our club, the epitome of Imagining Rotary. I was chatting to our 'friend' of club Noela Phillips about our work in Rotary, especially our work in Tanzania. Noela was explaining to me about the little

albino boy whom she has been assisting with learning for some time.

As Noela spoke to me I saw her being light up & her eyes shine (she didn't know I was gazing!!) She mentioned the other ways she would like to help him as he struggled with a harder curriculum...technical gadgets which could help his vision, other resources suggested by Vision Australia, help from Physiologist Louise Arvier, anything she could source to help this little man get an education & overcome his terrible disability.

Her imagination was running wild to envisage what this child could be with Rotary's help! A little child, so far away, but embraced with such love.

Noela, you are an inspiration & exactly what Jennifer Jones meant when she decided to share her theme, IMAGINE ROTARY.

Thank you for being one of us!

**2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER**

20 OCT Fellowship Meeting

27 OCT Melbourne Cup Event Hosted by Kit Bennett

03 NOV Stephen Beckett Brisbane Airport

**3 ROSTER**

ROSTER	20 OCT	27 OCT	3 NOV
Chair	Rod C	Rowan C	Bryce D
Set Up & Close	Rowan C	Bryce D	Tom D
Greeter	Bryce D	Tom D	Robyn D
Sergeant	John Arvier	Kit B	Rob O

**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**

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**ROTARY GRACE**

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

# Last Week's Meeting

Wonderful meeting with our amazing Noela Philips sharing about Tanzania and the progress that touches our hearts, complete with some members wearing their traditional clothing.



## Up and Coming Guest Speakers

Great opportunity to invite guests

FELLOWSHIP  
MEETING

20 OCTOBER 2022

# Mamba Primary School Project—Tanzania

*Bill Phillips shared Rotary of Brisbane High-Rise's involvement with Mamba School.*



Seeing we are off to visit the Mamba School, located on the lower slopes of Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, in early January it's worth reviewing our involvement with the school featuring a series of projects over the last 12 years or so. It all started through a visit by Noela Phillips to the school in early 2007. The deplorable state of school facilities and the total lack of school resources were clearly apparent.

Our first project was the provision of a water tank; the school had no water supply; the children had a lengthy hike each day to fetch water. The tank was financed out of the sale of Melbourne Cup trifecta tickets; this was the first of many packs of tickets sold to provide the seed money to fund the various projects.

The first Club visit to the school occurred in 2012; this led to the provision of funds (four packs of trifecta tickets were sold that year) to build a new classroom.

We then "discovered" the availability of District and Global grants which meant the funds we generated had a considerable multiplier effect. We initiated a grant application which turned \$12k available through Club resources into a \$37K project. This money financed the building of two new classrooms, a new kitchen (plus provision of cooking facilities such as fuel - efficient stoves), a library and a new toilet block.

One of the conditions for grant approval was the need for a local Rotary Club to partner in the project. We were fortunate, after a lengthy search, to secure contact with the Rotary Club of Mkuu Rombo. Mamba School is located in the District of Rombo. This Club through one of its members, Kimario, project managed all our building projects subject to grant approval.

Following another High - Rise visit in 2017 the idea of building a dining hall for the school originated. (by Russell!!) This prompted another grant application which was approved and led to our biggest single project at the school. The dining hall morphed into a community hall that could seat 450 people (comfortably). The hall was completed in early 2019 and now not only serves the needs of the school but also the local community.

Our latest project was to build an additional new toilet block. The facilities that existed at that time, although new, were insufficient to serve the needs of the whole school community. The funding for this project was supported by a District grant.

Building projects are not the only support we have given the Mamba school. Aided by another District grant we connected electricity to the school in 2016. Another little project was to supply all the kids in the school with school jumpers (it gets quite cold on the slopes of Kilimanjaro). Through individual donations we also furnished the community hall with desks and seating.

On each of the five occasions that we visited Mamba school we took teaching resources and aids. In 2019 we provided sufficient resources for every student in the school to last through the year.

The consequence of this support for the Mamba school is best highlighted in teaching outcomes. In Tanzania children sit for a national public exam at the end of Year 7. Passing is conditional to move on to high school. At the start of the High - Rise involvement in the school the pass rate was 15%; it is now more than 90%. That's the High - Rise impact on this one little school.

# New Piece of Equipment

This new piece of equipment is on its way to Happy Valley. Made possible by a grant from our Rotary District.

PHF recipient Winston Williams and Russell Postle from High-Rise at the training day last Tuesday.



## St James College Annual Awards Presentation Evening



Here are some highlights from the 2022 St James College Annual Awards Presentation Evening, as shared by Margot Baillie.

Last night I had the honour of representing High-Rise at the St James College Annual Awards Presentation evening. It was such amazing display of diversity, inclusivity and accomplishments by the students in many spheres. The energy in the hall was fantastic. We were treated to wonderful

cultural dance and song performances, and the School Vice Captain even slipped in a few corny jokes to entertain us. I met with 3 student leaders who participated in the Rotary Peace Advocacy program.

They were very positive about their experience and commented that this program had helped them in their pathway to becoming student leaders. About 20 to 30 students participated in the program which was conducted online with the Scottish creators of the program. Thanks to Bill Phillips for facilitating this program in conjunction with Catherine Bonifant of the Gold Coast.

When the futsal team members came on stage I thought of Tina and how much she loved playing futsal at Jimmies.

They now have a cafe at the school which would be worth trying out.

Thanks to Ann Rebgetz for inviting our club to join in this great celebration of the school's achievements in 2022.

# 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

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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

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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)



## Act now and save on the 2023 Rotary International Convention



**IMAGINE WHAT'S NEXT**

REGISTER TODAY AT [CONVENTION.ROTARY.ORG](http://CONVENTION.ROTARY.ORG)  
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA | 27-31 MAY 2023



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.

## Congratulations!

This is Rukia Yvonne's sponsored student at St Jude's from 2009 to 2019. She has just graduated from University with a Bachelor Degree in Wildlife Science and Conservation.



# District News

## Hamilton the Musical



A poster for Hamilton the Musical. The background is a warm, golden-yellow color with light rays emanating from the top. In the center, a silhouette of a person stands on a large black star. The word "HAMILTON" is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the star. Below the star, the text "HAMILTON THE MUSICAL" and "16TH OF FEBRUARY 2023" is displayed in blue and black. At the bottom left, there is a blue megaphone icon with yellow lightning bolts. To its right, the text reads: "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. The background is a light grey color with a top-down view of a blue and white floral teapot and a teacup. A blue circular tag with a white string is in the top left corner, containing the text "\$25 +bring a plate to share". Below the tag, the text "Catherine Hamlin Fistula Foundation" is written in blue, accompanied by a blue water drop icon. The main title "HAMLIN HIGH TEA" is in large, bold, blue capital letters. Below it, the date "22 OCTOBER | SATURDAY" is in black. At the bottom, the address "202/1 O'Connell St, Kangaroo Point | 2:00 - 4:00 PM" and "RSVP: Margot" are listed. There are also some small black 'x' marks at the bottom left.

## Rotary Conference 2023



A poster for the District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023. The background is a solid blue color. At the top, the text "Leadership Hands Heart & Mind" is written in yellow and white. Below it, "District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023" is written in white. On the left, there is a white circle containing the text "District 9620 Rotary Conference 2023" and the Rotary logo. To the right of this circle is a blue icon of a head with a heart and a stethoscope, with the text "Leadership Hands Heart & Mind" next to it. At the bottom left, there is a calendar icon with the text "24th-26th March 2023" and a clock icon with the text "Area Governors Dinners from 6:30pm". At the bottom right, there is a location pin icon with the text "Brisbane City Hall 64 Adelaide St, Brisbane City QLD 4000, Australia (adjacent to King George Square)". At the bottom center, there is a blue button with the text "BOOK YOUR TICKETS HERE" and a URL below it: "https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=880113&".

## Save the Date for Rotary BHR



A poster for the Rotary BHR Christmas Party. The background is a light-colored wooden surface decorated with Christmas items like a small gold Christmas tree, red and gold ornaments, and wrapped gifts. The text "Save this date for Rotary BHR" is written in a curved path at the top. Below it, the word "Christmas" is written in a large, black, cursive font, and "PARTY" is written in large, red, serif capital letters. At the bottom, the text "On December 2nd Nibbles 6pm for 7pm sit down Buzz Gasworks, 76 Skyring Terrace, NEWSTEAD" is written in green.

# Announcements

## 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!



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  
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## 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/>