



# HOT AIR

8 SEPT 2022 | BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY



#### 1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST



Today we toast the Rotary Club of Singapore. The club meets at 7:00 PM on Tuesdays. Their community project, Willing Hearts, operates a soup kitchen that prepares, cooks, and distributes about 5,000 daily

meals to over 40 locations island-wide, 365 days a year. Beneficiaries include the elderly, the disabled, low-income families, children from single-parent families or otherwise poverty-stricken families, and migrant workers in Singapore.

### FROM THE PRESIDENT - BARBARA LEDDY

What a great meeting we had this week!

We hosted the District Governor, Tim Keeler, fulfilling his role in visiting Rotary & Rotaract Clubs in the District.

It was great to see so many Club members attend the meeting & they weren't disappointed hearing Tim's motivating vision for his Rotary year.

Tim began by telling us about a University project in which he was involved where a group of students were given an assignment to research the elements necessary to make an organization successful. They exposed the following 6 principals:

- 1. Strong Leadership (why are we doing what we're doing?)
- 2. Communication (both internal & external)
- 3. Organization
- 4. Projects (which are substantial & sustainable)
- 5. Relationships (intrinsic to success) both internal & external
- 6. Fun, including sharing experiences

Tim believes that if we can apply these principals to our Club activities, we are assured success in our endeavours. I would like to pursue his assertions further, examining how we, as a Club are fulfilling these components for success.

I'm sure the Board will find it a compelling pursuit. Watch this space!

We have instigated a new initiative whereby those who miss a weekly meeting will be contacted by email with a synopsis of what they missed. Steve Knight has agreed to introduce the practice in the hope that it will motivate members to come regularly to the meetings & reduce absences. Your feedback is necessary for the Board to assess its worth. Feedback to Steve Knight please.

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that we now have a coordinator for our DV Safephones project. Rob O'Donovan has agreed to oversee the success of the assignment motivating us all to expand our reach to fulfil our commitment to Ashton Wood, the founder of the program. We are hoping to involve businesses in the project which will mean we are all responsible to think of ways we can help as individuals. Just searching your bottom drawer won't be enough....we need to 'think big'.



#### **QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

We are each gifted in a unique and important way. It is our privilege and our adventure to discover our own special light.

#### 2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

8 SEPT Dr Jim Thompson Queensland Museum

15 SEPT Geoff Leddy

Sunshine Coast RYDA

22 SEPT Noela Phillips

Tanzania

### 3 ROSTER

ROSTER	8 SEPT	15 SEPT	22 SEPT
Chair	Margot	Greg B	Ann-Maree
Set Up & Close	Greg B	Ann-Maree	Dylys
Greeter	Ann-Maree	Dylys	Rod C
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**

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

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#### DIRECT DEBIT

Pay for our meetings, fines, Joker Draw, events and subscriptions

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#### **ROTARY GRACE**

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

# A Message from our Champion High Riser



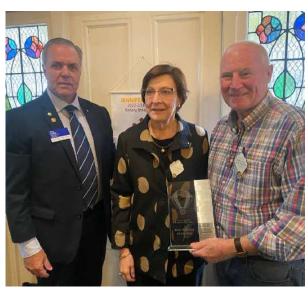
On Sunday night, I received the 2022 Australian Paralympic Swimmer of the Year award! So proud and honoured to be recognised for my efforts through 2022 - being able to call myself a World Champion in both of my main events is very cool.

In my acceptance speech, I spoke about the power that elite athletes have to inspire the greater community around them. I hope that what I do in the pool can continue to encourage people to find meaning and achieve something great in life; regardless of age, race, gender, or disability, we are all capable of incredible things.

Well done, Rowan! We are proud of you!

# **Last Week's Meeting**

Congratulations Bill in receiving Rotarian of the Year! What a great contribution you have made to High-Rise in 2021 to 2022 and continue to do so!



















# **Up and Coming Guest Speakers**

Great opportunity to invite guests



### Dr Jim Thompson, CEO and Director

Queensland Museum Network

Dr Thompson has an extensive and distinguished career and has performed a range of leadership roles throughout Australia in areas such as research, policy, and the public sector. He has a Ph.D. in Wildlife Management, a Master of Resource Science, and a Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Zoology/Animal Biology. Dr Thompson was formerly the Chief Biosecurity Officer at Biosecurity Queensland since 2011.

# **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 roles and share how to be involved:

https://www.parkrun.com.au/stonescorner/

### **Behind the Scene**

The Scholarship Application Process at St Jude's



Every year, they invite thousands of talented candidates from government schools to participate in their scholarship application process. This year, the Form 5 scholarship exams took place on March 19th, and students came from Arusha, Kilimanjaro, and Manyara regions to take part in the exams. Some of these students come from desperately poor backgrounds and traveled up to four days before the actual testing day because they couldn't afford same-day transport.

The students achieving the required results on the day are shortlisted for the poverty assessment phase. Their poverty assessments consider both the financial and home situation of a student's family. St Jude's staff visits a student's home and conducts a house check to learn about the student's family and living environment. The house check ensures that the student is truly deserving of a place at St Jude's.

Tumaini, a student sponsored by the Philips and Baillie families, graduated from St Judes and has now been accepted to participate in the Beyond St Judes program and will be teaching in a government school next year in Arusha. Noela visited her family and received a very warm welcome and it must have been very emotional for them all. We hope to meet Tumaini in January when we do our club visit to St Jude's. Noela will share her wonderful experiences at St Jude's when she is our guest speaker later this year.

# **A RARE Opportunity**



Sarah, Roly, Ann-Maree and Greg B, and Steve recently helped at RARE. They sorted books, packed hospital clothing, folded and rolled patient transfer sheets, and sorted and labeled gear ready for packing in the containers in a few weeks.

RARE need our help. They are packing 2 x 40-foot containers. They are done with the first one. The next will be Saturday, 24th Sept from 8 am to about 1 pm. Please see if you can assist on that date.





## **District News**

### **Rotary Conference 2023**



Date: 24th-26th March 2023

Time: Area Governors Dinners

from 6:30pm

Location: Brisbane City Hall, King

George Square

Book your tickets at

https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=880113&

### High-Rise Fellowship Dinner

