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Brisbane High-Rise

HOT AIR

11 MAY 2023 | YOUTH SERVICE



1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST



Today we toast the Rotary Club of Chinchá - Peru. The club meets at 8:00 PM every Thursday. In March, the club added to a shelter for vulnerable girls in the Ica region. The first building with a 30 resident capacity was built in 2000, but soon the number of girls living there doubled. In 2018, the club added three new structures costing about \$35,000 each. The project was funded by donations from the Rotary Club of Flawil, Switzerland, and District 2000, with additional funds raised by the Chinchá club.

FROM THE PRESIDENT – BARBARA LEDDY

Last week we had the pleasure of meeting Syd Owen from Toowoomba. Syd is the Area Governor looking after a cluster of clubs in Brisbane. Syd spoke a little about his life outside Rotary as a professional photographer having taken on the business from his father many years ago.

Syd also explained that he took on the Rotary role from a previously appointed AG due to illness. The distance between Toowoomba & his new cluster of clubs has created a barrier to him meeting personally with the Presidents of the clubs, so it was a privilege to have him visit us.

Syd explained the function of the Area Governors as being mentors & points of contact for clubs needing help/guidance. They arrange a monthly meeting with the cluster clubs, usually in a locally suitable venue, so that the club Presidents can become acquainted with him/her and each other. Syd's meetings this year had to be on ZOOM, but nevertheless were very successful.

It was a pleasure for the club to meet another keen Rotarian giving his energy & efforts to make the Rotary 'machine' run smoothly.

Fourteen of us had a unique gathering on Friday night when Zanthia & Ann-Maree arranged a fellowship dinner at a Korean Restaurant in the city. The food revealed to us a typical Korean menu with some of us showing how clever we were at 'manning' the barbeque. A fun time was had by all.

A reminder to all members that these fellowship events are a great way to get to know other members more informally, a fact which can enhance the overall friendship of the club.

While most of us are focused on the well-being of our own club, we are fortunate to have some members who are extending their reach into the wider world of Rotary. Both Wendy Protheroe & John Leddy have been invited to be part of selection committees to nominate Rotarians for particular Rotary International roles in the District & Zone. While we may not be interested in reaching wider ourselves, we need to thank those within our ranks who represent our Club in such positive ways to enhance the Rotary experience. Until recently, we had the hard-working PDG John Kerr who also represented the club in various district positions. Thank you John!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Someday everything will make perfect sense. So, for now, laugh at the confusion, smile through the tears and keep reminding yourself that everything happens for a reason.

2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

11 MAY Member Interviews

18 MAY Matthew & Lara
Life in the Cayman Islands

25 MAY Lisa Ward
Ethnic Communities Council of Queensland

3 ROSTER

ROSTER	11 MAY	18 MAY	25 MAY
Chair	Craig	Roly	Andrew
Set Up & Close	Roly	Andrew	Jane
Greeter	Andrew	Jane	Margot
Sergeant	Kit B	Greg P	John Arvier

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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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

Rotary Meeting

Last week, the club had the privilege of meeting Syd Owen, the Area Governor overseeing clubs in Brisbane, who also happens to be a professional photographer. Syd shared about his personal and professional background, and how he took on the Rotary role due to a previous AG's illness. Despite the distance between Toowoomba and his new cluster of clubs, Syd made the effort to visit, making the occasion all the more special.



Fellowship Dinner

14 club members enjoyed a fun-filled evening at a Korean restaurant in the city, arranged by Zanthia and Ann-Maree. We savored a typical Korean menu and some of us even showed off our barbeque skills. Fellowship events like these strengthen the bonds between members in a more relaxed setting.



Next Meeting

11 MAY 2023

MEMBER INTERVIEWS

An Invitation to an Evening of Brushing Kindness



Brushing Kindness is a night of frivolity, food, drinks, raffle prizes and fun in support of a program that's working to create a brighter tomorrow for vulnerable Australians.

This year, Rivercity's Annual Cocktail Party is raising funds for Habitat for Humanity Australia's Brush with Kindness program. The Brush with Kindness program brings together volunteers to support vulnerable and marginalised members of the community by conducting renovations, minor building repairs and landscaping work at a variety of locations such as indigenous housing projects and crisis accommodation utilised by women and children escaping domestic violence or people experiencing homelessness.

As one of our sponsor Rotary Clubs, we wanted to extend to you and your club members a special invitation to join us from 7:00pm on Saturday May 20th 2023 at Can You Keep A Secret - 619-621 Stanley Street, Woolloongabba to kick off the party and help support an amazing cause. Barbara and John, I'd greatly appreciate it if you could please circulate this invitation to your club members directly.

Early Bird Tickets are \$115 until the 28th of April, so grab your friends, family, and club members, and get in quick to secure an amazing night out, at a great price.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO VIEW THE FACEBOOK EVENT

CLICK [HERE](#) TO BUY YOUR TICKETS

Update on St Jude's: Irene's Thank You Letter

Dear Rotary Club of Brisbane High Rise,

How are you doing? Have you all celebrated your Easter holiday well? Am doing great and I celebrated Easter in school with my friends, it was really a great time and experience as well.

As we are now very close to be doing our national exams on 2nd May, we are very busy doing preparations personally and in groups. This is the biggest exam and most of us are so nervous about it but I hope we are going to do wonders. After the two weeks of exams we will be graduating and on that day it's when we will be going home with our parents.

After form six national exams in our country some people of the graduating year are selected to go for national services. If I will be selected I will have to go for it and if I won't be selected I will be going for two weeks training before starting the beyond St Jude's program. I've planned after form six to be doing short online courses to add up my skills, and also look for a university and see if I can study the course of my choice in Tanzania or overseas.

You've been very loving and supporting through out the years you've been sponsoring me, I appreciate so much you all mean alot to me the cost, efforts and energy you spent on me has made me acquire the best education. Thank you so much for your support, there are no words to describe your loving hearts and there's nothing can pay you of all the good things you did to me and others you support. You will always be in my heart and mind, I pray that you always stay protected and you all get what your hearts desires. Thank you so much, and may you know that I love you always.

Yours, Irene James Malaga GF CBG

Birthday Lunch



Barbara with her son Nicholas at birthday lunch at Hellenika restaurant on Thursday.

Paul Harris Fellow

PAUL HARRIS FELLOW

Every Rotarian should strive to be a Paul Harris Fellow because for each PHF named, we know that US\$1000 has been given to The Rotary Foundation. Similarly, for each sapphire or ruby added to a Rotarian's PHF pin, an additional US\$1000 has been given to The Rotary Foundation. We should celebrate each of these milestones (and gem stones) for what they represent. That is, a gift to The Rotary Foundation and an opportunity to do even more good in the world through the Foundation. If you make a contribution of \$1490.00 you will get a PHF & also be able to allocate one to a family member or friend.

IMPORTANT

Please consider donating before 30 June & get a tax deduction.

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**ART
SHOW**



BRISBANE ROTARY ART SHOW

Planning for the relaunch of the Art Show is well advanced as it should be with less than three months to go before the staging of the event. High – Rise is playing both a leading and prominent role in the planning process with a host of members heavily involved. Margot is responsible for the Opening Night event and is coordinating manpower, Deb is all over the sales desk (probably not the best description) Angela is looking after all the behind the scenes details (a most important role which was so ably done by John Mosen in the past), Steve is managing the technology supporting the project and John is coordinating sponsorship. Our President, Barbara, and President – elect, Dyls, are keeping an eye on everything attending planning meetings regularly and offering support and encouragement. It's a very good team. We work well together along with the members from the other two Clubs partnering us in the project.

Entries by artists close off at the end of May. Our Curator, Simone, is happy with the trickle of entries to date. We can display about 350 pieces of art; normally entries are in the vicinity of 700; those entries not on display will be available for sale online.

There are three key issues to emphasise if we are to successfully stage the 2023 Brisbane Rotary Art Show:

1. We need full Club involvement in the receiving (15th July) and dispatch (22nd July) of the art works. The volunteer roster will be available shortly. Please do what you can; it is a case of all hands on deck.

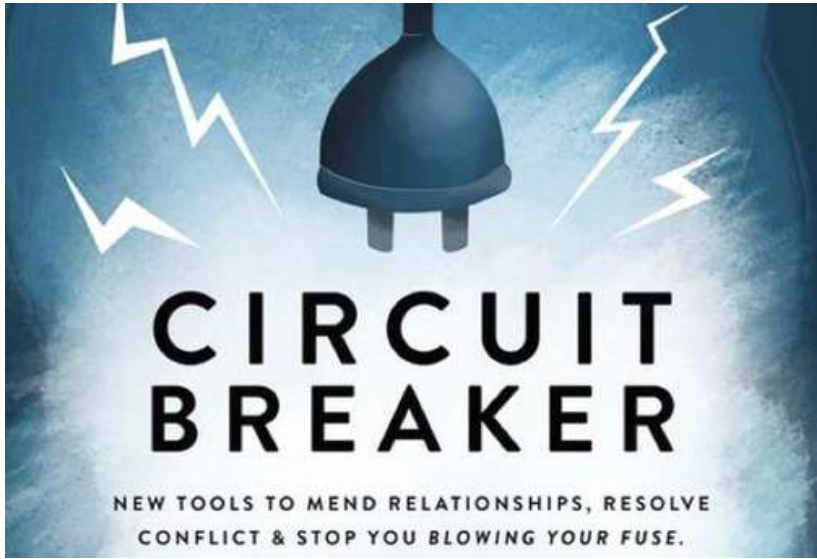
2. Opening Night is on Monday 17th July; this is a wonderful event in Club activity. Not only are we asking all members and partners to attend but also please extend the invitation to your friends and anyone in your network. We are aiming for an attendance of 300. Reserve the date; tickets will be on sale shortly.

3. Sponsorship: High – Rise is leading the way in the generation of sponsorship \$'s. The financial success of the event is highly dependent on the level of sponsorship generated. Please give this some thought; you will know people in companies willing to support an event such as this. There are all sorts of sponsorship options available. Please either approach direct or give us the introduction. We need your help in this vital area.

Important: 15th (receiving art works), 17th Opening Night and 22nd (despatching art works) July

We are well on the way towards the reestablishment of the Rotary Art Show as a feature event in the Brisbane art scene. Great for artists and great for Rotary!

Circuit Breaker Report



The circuit breaker course has now entered its fourth week and the participants are warming up to each other and sharing truthfully about their lives. Independent of the important material we are learning, this is a great support to men who are often reluctant to be honest and vulnerable. We are becoming mates.

We have a growing understanding now of how anger impacts our relationships and how we can use the strategy of a time out whenever we feel it is getting out of hand. Relationships can flourish if both people know they are safe to discuss anything and be truthful without the risk of angry outbursts.

An example of the value we are experiencing is that one of the participants was unable to attend a session and made sure he contacted me and made the time to watch the session with me at a local café. After going through the 30 minute video teaching session together he was very honest and self aware of how his anger had demonstrated itself over the week. We were able to discuss and apply the strategies of the course in a very real way. This is great progress.

Nearly half way through - there are 6 more sessions to go.

Rotary Nomads

Donation for NZ

YOU'RE INVITED TO THE

8th

CHANGEOVER OF THE
ROTARY E-CLUB OF AUSTRALIA NOMADS

Wednesday
21 JUNE, 2023

2.30 PM FOR 3.00 PM
CHANGEOVER CEREMONY

DRESS: CASUAL - INTERNATIONAL THEME

COST: \$30
covers a Tuesday morning get together breakfast & Wednesday's Changeover raffle tickets & prizes

Ingenia Holiday Park, Gordon Young Drive, South West Rocks NSW 2431
02 6566 6264 | southwestrocks@ingeniaholidays.com.au
RSVP BY 14 JUNE, 2023

REGISTER

After registering, please transfer payment of \$30 per person to

- Rotary Nomads
- BSB 015220
- Account No 429420294
- Details: your SURNAME plus the word 'ROCKS'
- e.g. Smith ROCKS

Donations for NZ Flood Appeal

How to Donate to the NZ Flood Appeal through Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS)

- Go to the RAWCS website Home Page
- Click on EXPLORE PROJECTS
- On Page 1 of the projects list, you will see Project No. 60-2022-23: New Zealand Floods (RARF)** Rotary Australia Relief Fund
- Click on 60-2022-23
- Scroll down to click on Donate Now and/or Details
- Follow prompts for payment
- Receipt will be issued for tax deductibility.

Save the Date

To ensure we maintain our standards in 2023 we need your support along the following lines:

- Lock the date 12th June away now.
- Share the Date Saver attached among your network of friends. In the past many members have taken on the task of organising a table. It won't work that way with a Cocktail Party but please still organise a group if you can. Our target is 120 in attendance.
- Donations for raffles/auctions will be gratefully received. This is a primary avenue to raise money for St Judes on the night. Please let me know what you can do.
- Assist with the staging of the event. We have formed a small organising committee but will still need assistance particularly on the night.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BRISBANE HIGH-RISE

Save the Date: Monday, 12th June

Cocktail Party 6.30pm St Lucia Golf Club, Carawa Street St Lucia

\$65 pp inclusive of drinks.



Gemma Sisia

Founder, School of St Jude, Tanzania

Hear Gemma speak on the amazing St Jude's journey - help launch her new book – and prepare to be inspired by Enoch a St Jude's graduate.

LIMITED Space – BOOK EARLY - Enquiries BILL on 0418780663

Bill Phillips, billphillips049@gmail.com

RFDS Light the Lanterns

LIGHT THE LANTERNS

An RFDS Celebration

**13
May
2023**

Royal International Convention Centre (RICC)
600 Gregory Terrace, Bowen Hills QLD 4006
6:30PM - 12:00AM
Enquiries: events@rfdsqld.com.au



ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS

We have upcoming presentation vacancies and are looking for volunteers

IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED, PLEASE CONTACT DYLYS ASAP.



Announcements

St Judes' Cocktail Party

COCKTAIL PARTY/BOOK LAUNCH

The Rotary Club of Brisbane High Rise is proud to host the School of St Jude's founder, Gemma Sisia, and launching the book, "The School that Hope Built" by Madeleine Kelly.

Mon 12 June 6.30-9.30pm
St Lucia Golf Club, Carawa St, St Lucia

Raffle Draw:
Tanzanite Ring (Value \$3910)
\$20/ticket or 3 for \$50 - Buy tickets NOW

Auctions & Raffles on the night

***African Dress Encouraged



Gemma Sisia
FOUNDER SCHOOL OF ST JUDE

Bookings:
Mob: 0407-788-568
Email: annmaree762@gmail.com
\$65 per person - food & drinks included.
BSB 084-034 A/C 55-934-7857
Ref: SOSJ + Surname
RSVP: Fri, 2 June



Enock Ephraim
St Jude's Class of 2015 and Alumni Assistant Team Lead

Rotary Peace Fellowship

Rotary Peace Fellowships

APPLICATION IS AVAILABLE



Get involved by

- Taking the All About the Rotary Peace Fellowship course
- Forwarding the fellowship announcement to your contacts
- Using our referral form
- Sharing a PowerPoint presentation about the fellowships
- Following the Rotary Peace Centers Facebook page

APPLY HERE
<https://www.rotary.org/en/our-programs/peace-fellowships>

Donation Drive

DONATE READING GLASSES


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We need your support!

Noela is off on a trip to Tanzania in May to attend the graduation of the Club's sponsor student, Irene. She will be making a detour via Uganda to a little village called Nkuringo. We along with a few other members have been supporting a little school in this village. The glasses will be distributed to people within the village.

Donations to Rotary Foundation



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