



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

Rotary



Brisbane High-Rise

HOT AIR

**05 OCT 2023 | ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT**



1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Fray Bentos, R.N., Uruguay.
(Rotary Club)



(details on page 4)

FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

...tackling the problem of mental ill-health

In 2023, Queensland Mental Health Week will be celebrated from 7 to 15 October.

So, here at High-Rise Rotary Club we were exceptionally fortunate that Ivan Frkovic made time in a jam-packed schedule to appear as guest speaker for our Thursday breakfast.

Queensland Mental Health Commissioner, Ivan is a highly regarded, respected (and sought after) expert with huge and diverse experience across government and non-government organisations. It was a thought provoking and enlightening presentation as he covered the present environment and his desired approach, for this his second term as Commissioner.

... paying homage to its own

With deep regret, Rosemary announced the recent passing of our friend and former Rotarian, Mr John Ker, who was – as she reported – a busy and diligent Rotarian for over 50 extraordinary years. A life well lived. May he rest in peace.

... giving globally through The Serviette Appeal

You'll recall I spoke of The Serviette Appeal last week and the urgent need to offer aid to the tens of thousands of people whose lives have been ravaged by floods in Libya and earthquakes in Morocco. Lindsay has confirmed that three Shelter Boxes have already been financed through your generosity. A great effort from a group of only around 20 individuals, Lindsay is keeping the appeal open for the

next week or so if you would like to contribute. Please donate in the usual way to the High-Rise bank account with your reference details or next Thursday at breakfast.

... inspiring youth to help youth

There's a lot of female energy in the Rotaract Club of One Million Lives Saigon: The charter president, president, and vice president are all women. "It may be a coincidence," says Trang Phan Doan Huynh, a student at the Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) campus of the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology.

What isn't a coincidence is how the young women credit their parents and other role models in their lives with showing them the way. Read more [here](#).

Staying busy helping others...

Two last-minute reminders

1. You're invited to join the group at Jane's place on Wednesday 4th October. We'll be discussing the projects High-Rise hopes to undertake this year. So, even if you don't have a pet plan, please come and add your input to the discussions. Arrive at 5.15pm for a 5.30pm start.
2. Thursday 5th October, breakfast meeting is at the Powerhouse, New Farm at 7:45AM arrival for an 8am start for the private viewing of the Brisbane Portrait Prize

PS. Watch your inbox for the All-Member Survey. Arriving soon!

2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

05 OCT Powerhouse Visit
Off Site Visit

12 OCT Martin Corkery
My Experiences in the Ukraine

19 OCT Samay Zhouand
My Family's Escape from Afghanistan

3 ROSTER

ROSTER	05 OCT	12 OCT	19 OCT
Set Up & Close	Bill P.	Sarah P.	Russell P.
Greeter	Sarah P.	Russell P.	Wendy P.

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 5.00pm on Monday 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**

Vale : John Ker



CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

John Ker

A SERVICE TO CELEBRATE JOHN'S LIFE
WILL BE HELD ON

Friday 6th October 2023 at 10.30 am
Holy Trinity Anglican Church, 141 Brookes
Street, Fortitude Valley

No parking available within the Church grounds.
In lieu of flowers, donations to Dementia Australia
appreciated: tinyurl.com/388cmuz6

John Ker, a true gentleman and outstanding Rotarian

Brisbane High-Rise Rotary lost one of its most experienced and respected members recently. With deep sadness we farewell John Innes Ker, who passed away peacefully on 22 September 2023.

A highly respected Rotarian John's active service spanned 52 years. Inducted in 1969, he became Rotary President in Gayndah (1985-1986) and Bundaberg (1997-1998). John then undertook significant District roles before election as 9570 District Governor 2004-2005.

A transfer to Brisbane High-Rise in 2006 saw John continue his substantial contribution at district level, serving on various committees, and as Project Manager (RAWCS) for the Life and Hope Association in Cambodia. John championed youth programs and the Rotary Foundation, being awarded a PHF+8. Significant work was his deep involvement in the enormous task of updating Standard Rotary constitutions and by-laws to satisfy Queensland requirements. When he was no longer able to attend meetings, John was made an Honorary member.

We recall John's kindness and generosity as a mentor, sharing sage advice on all things Rotary. His enthusiasm for the fun and fellowship of Rotary always shone through, he and Kay were regulars at RI Conventions, District conventions and club events. John's wisdom, his wit and humour will be missed by all.

To John's family, his wife Kay, daughter Marissa and son Andrew we send our thoughts and sympathy at this time.



Last Week's Meeting

Last week's meeting was enriched by Ivan's enlightening presentation on the current environment and his plans for his second term as Commissioner. We also sadly bid farewell to our dear friend and former Rotarian, Mr. John Ker, who dedicated over 50 years to Rotary with great diligence. His life was truly well lived. May he rest in peace.



Rotary Down Under

ROTARY AT A GLANCE



Rotarians: 1,178,368 in 36,971 clubs in 528 Districts in 221 countries/geographic areas.

Rotaractors: 165,686 in 11,203 clubs in 504 districts in 181 countries/geographic areas.

Interactors: 326,554 in 14,163 clubs in 486 districts in 144 countries/geographic areas.

Rotary Community Corps members: 200,615 in 13,087 clubs in 267 districts in 101 countries/geographic areas.

As at August 31, 2023, there are 22,762 Rotary members in 985 clubs in 15 districts in Australia, and 6,415 Rotary members in 249 clubs in five districts in New Zealand and the Pacific. In addition, there are 723 Rotaract members in 57 clubs in Australia and 297 Rotaract members in 17 clubs in New Zealand and the Pacific. Australian and New Zealand districts include Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu, where there are 568 Rotarians in 36 clubs and 224 Rotaractors in 12 clubs.

OBJECT OF ROTARY



The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society
- 3** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
- 4** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Update from our Rotary Global Scholarship recipient - Jack Baldwin

Hi everyone at Brisbane High-Rise and thank you again for sponsoring me for a Rotary Global Scholarship to study international law and treaties at Oxford. I submitted my final assignment on 1 September and am yet to receive my final results. My plan is to take the rest of this year off to recuperate and travel before returning to work early next year. My courses were very interesting and challenging, and I managed to become involved in the Oxford Sustainable Law Programme (“OSLP”), a multidisciplinary research centre that leverages the power of the law to tackle global sustainability challenges. I am looking to undertake some research for the OSLP during my time off. The highlight of the year was definitely meeting other students, especially Rotary Scholars, from all over the world, and hearing all about the amazing research and study they are undertaking in their respective fields. It was also great to hear from speakers at the Oxford Union including Malala Yousafzai, Senator Bernie Sanders and Stella Assange. I've attached a couple of photos to this email. Thank you again for the Club's help and support. I really look forward to attending a meeting of the Club when I am back in Brisbane so I can share some more details about my experience.



International Toasts



Today we toast the Fray Bentos, R.N., Uruguay Rotary Club. The club meets at 8:00 PM every Wednesday.

The Rotary Club of Fray Bentos, led by Chef Eduardo Casales, served 320 portions of paella, raising \$2,800 in their annual cook-off event. The funds were dedicated to charitable causes, including constructing 16 wheelchair-accessible ramps in the city and providing mobility aids for those in need.

Announcements

Barefoot Bowls

NEW MEMBERS!

BAREFOOT BOWLS

CHILDREN ARE FREE!

NEW FARM BOWLS CLUB, 969 BRUNSWICK ST NEW FARM

SUNDAY | 15 OCTOBER
1:00 - 3:00 PM

Everyone is invited to welcome the new members!
\$20 per person includes a shared platter and rink fee

RSVP: ROBYN
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ACTIVITY BOARD

ROTARY BRISBANE HIGH-RISE

Name of the Project	Person Responsible	Type of Activity	Date of Involvement
<u>St Jude's School of Tanzania</u>	Bill Philips	All involvement welcomed	
<u>Mamba School</u>	Bill Philips	Currently constructing netball courts; upgrade of the teacher accommodation about to start.	
<u>Rotary Art Show</u>	Bill Philips	Organising Committee now being formed; first meeting 11th October	October 11, 2023
<u>Pride of Workmanship</u>	Rosemary Meadows	Recommendations for outstanding service in our community	January 1, 2024
<u>Barefoot Bowls</u>	Robyn Drake	Come along to welcome our new members	October 15, 2023
<u>St Judes: Bridge to Brisbane</u>	Bill Philips	Sponsor Africa to reach his goal!	October 15, 2023
<u>Trifecta Project</u>	Bill Philips	\$2 tickets now available for sale; completion date 7th November.	November 7, 2023

OTHER COMMUNITY PROJECTS WITH ROTARIANS

Name of the Project	Person Responsible	Type of Activity	Date of Involvement
<u>Ride West</u>	Russell Postle	Inviting participants and looking for sponsorship funds	April 1, 2024
<u>Maheno School 150 year celebration</u>	Russell Postle	Expressions Of Interest for 2025 trip	

➔➔➔ "If you would like to be involved in any of the above - please contact the Rotarian in charge. Additionally, if you have a project you would like to see here, please send submit details through email for approval and future inclusion" ⬅️⬅️⬅️

Announcements

Bridge to Brisbane - Fundraising

SUPPORT AFRICA SILAYO IN THE SUNDAY MAIL TRANSURBAN BRIDGE TO BRISBANE

WITH A DONATION TO THE SCHOOL OF ST JUDE LTD




10KM RUN | Raising funds for a good cause; "Fighting Poverty Through Education"

The School of St Jude

Sunday Mail Transurban
BRIDGE TO BRISBANE
15.10.23

Oceans to Outback - Fundraising

RFDS

OCEANS to OUTBACK

RUSSELL POSTLE



I AM CYCLING 247KM IN 31 DAYS TO KEEP THE FLYING DOCTOR FLYING

Please Help Me Reach My Goal

[HTTPS://WWW.OCEANSTOOUTBACK.ORG.AU/FUNDRAISERS/RUSSELLPOSTLE/OCEANS-TO-OUTBACK](https://www.oceanstooutback.org.au/fundraisers/russellpostle/oceans-to-outback)

Melbourne Cup

Brisbane Airport
Rotary Club

WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR THE
BRISBANE AIRPORT ROTARY CLUB

Melbourne Cup

11TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON

NOV
07
2023

TUESDAY 12-4PM

BROOKS & STAIN CAFE, WILSTON
LIVE AUCTION, RAFFLES & SWEEPS
2 COURSE LUNCH | LICENCED VENUE
DRINKS CAN BE PURCHASED AT THE BAR
MAX 50 PEOPLE
\$70 PER TICKET

RSVP

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