



## **HOT AIR**

11 July 2024 — Maternal and Child Health Month



## Art Show Gala Opening Tuesday 16 July 6:30pm Book NOW and share the post:

Book now - invite friends and book for them - book here

**Do you use Facebook?** Then please **share** our **facebook** post about the Gala Cocktail Party. Let your friends know that you will be there and that you are inviting them to join us for an evening of art, fellowship and fun! **Click** here

#### From the Editor ...

I have just taken over as Editor so welcome to my first edition of Hot Air. Our thanks to Cindy Kemp and her team for the previous editions which have been fabulous and informative and always there – well done!

Clearly I have created a new format – hope you like it, and happy to receive feedback in either direction. I'll be tweaking it a bit as the year progresses, based on your feedback.

Hot Air aims to communicate with all our members and others that are interested in our club and it's activities. We need your contributions - send anything and everything to:

#### hotair@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com

As the world continues to recognise the difficulties that people with disabilities face, we have been confronted in that regard by the recent induction of a new member who is blind. What that means for me is a focus in this new layout is to make sure it's more readable for those that need to use technology to assist them. What you can't see is that there is invisible descriptive text associated with the graphics and photos which their software should be able to voice to assist them reading this document. So, when you send me material for inclusion make sure to provide the descriptive text too so that I can attach it.

Steve Knight

## The Presidential Point:

Changeover was a lovely evening – look for the photos on the following pages. I acknowledge Dylys, whom I congratulated in my speech, as one who worked tirelessly as our President and put the trauma of the COVID years behind us. Also in my speech, and in celebration of the new motto The Magic Of Rotary, I showcased a couple of projects where I think we have spread a little of The Magic on others, and also hoped we will continue to provide some magic for those less fortunate than ourselves.

It's a funny start to the Rotary year with our first face-to-face meeting at United Service Club happening on July 25. Dylys is continuing to contribute to the ongoing success of the club and has taken on our Speaker Program. At the 25 July meeting she has slotted me in to speak about the goals that the new Board came up with at our Planning Day in June. During that planning session we were very aware of the feedback from the Member Survey, and Margot, as the Fellowship manager, has absolutely shown she has heard what we want by putting together a great program.

**Don't forget this Thursday** we are meeting at the Paddo Tavern, LaTrobe Tce Paddington. The following Thursday is cancelled, replaced by the Cocktail Party for the Art Show. I hope to see everyone there, including all your friends – it will be a good night and is a great chance to help support the Club we all belong to. If you haven't already booked tickets please do so immediately.

**The Art Show roster** is filling but there are still gaps – whilst Anne Maree Buttner is overseas Margot has taken over that responsibility too, so get in touch with her to put your name down on the roster.

**Lastly**, in my speech at the Changeover I hoped we will all look back on 2024/25 and assess we had a year of laughter, fellowship and making better friendships in the Club - all the while giving back both locally and internationally. More of that this year too!

Jane Andersen

## **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

Tue 16 Jul Art Show Gala Opening - Book

6:30 to 8:30pm, Central Plaza 1

Thu 18 Jul No Meeting

Art Show Gala Opening instead

Sun 21 Jul ARTiculate @ Rotary Art Show - Book

1pm to 3pm, Central Plaza 1

Thu 25 Jul Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP

Club Assembly - Jane Andersen, Club 24/25 Goals

Thu 01 Aug Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP

David Bunce, AI & Machine Learning

Thu 08 Aug Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP

Tue 13 Aug Joint DG Visit @ Hamilton - BOOK

5:45pm Royal Qld Golf Club, Hamilton

Thu 15 Aug No Meeting

Joint DG meeting instead

# Sue Mulraney DG CLUB VISIT

Royal Queensland Golf Club 5:45 PM
TUESDAY
13
AUGUST

Hosted by Hamilton Rotary QLD and joined by Brisbane Airport, Brisbane High-Rise and Brisbane Clubs.

Click here to RSVP

Other clubs, friends & family welcome.

- \$45 early bird + booking fee
- Cash bar
- RSVP by Monday 5 August







## **Changeover Dinner, Friday 05 July 2024**







DG Sue Mulraney at the lectern



The 2024-25 Board left to right: Susan Rix (Foundation), Deb Le Garde (Membership), Greg Beard (Pres Elect), Dylys Bertelsen (Past Pres), Jane Andersen (President), David Bunce (Community), Cindy Kemp (Treasurer), Loretta Lynch (Youth), Anne-Maree Bennett (Marketing), Bill Phillips (Projects) – Hawys McManus (Secretary) is absent.

## **Changeover Dinner, Friday 05 July 2024**



Dylys Bertelsen & John Mulraney



Yvonne Robson, Deb Le Garde & Ann Barker (Yvonne's friend)



Susan Rix & Kit Bennetts



Honorary Member Margaret Rix

## **Changeover Dinner, Friday 05 July 2024**



Ann-Maree Bennett, Ros Mumford, DG Sue Mulraney



Dennis Meadows, Di Marshall, Lindsay Marshall, Ken Maisey, David Bunce



Souror Fattahi, Noela Phillips, Deb Le Garde, Cathie Pearson



Margot Baillie, Deb Le Garde



DG Sue Mulraney, President Jane Anderson, Cindy Kemp

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Cathie Pearson Greg Beard Ann-Maree Bennet Daniel (Loretta's partner) Loretta Lynch

Bruce McNaught (Brisbane Club) Ken Maisey Deb Le Garde Allan Strong Dennis Meadows Rosemary Meadows



Ann Barker (Yvonne's friend) Yvonne Robson Noela Phillips Bill Phillips Tom Davison Ros Mumford Bill Leveritt Michael Neville.

Souror Fattahi Lindsay Marshall Di Marshall Steve Knight David Bunce Garry Dubickas



#### **International Toast**

This week we are celebrating the:

Rotary Club of Metro Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia



After providing food and medicine to villagers in Nyamok during the pandemic, the **Rotary Club of Metro Kuala Lumpur** heightened its assistance to the impoverished community in Pahang state, a five-hour drive from the club base.

Rotarians embarked on a project to construct three toilets as well as five kitchens and washing areas for food preparation for the Orang Asli ethnic group.

The club lined up a District 3300 grant, other sponsors, and volunteers and then plotted the logistics, including the acquisition of plywood, bricks, cement, and tools, along with the three trucks used to deliver the materials along muddy roads into the remote village.

After three days of construction with help from community members, the job was complete, club member Jennifer Lim says. Members installed more ceramic tiles in March to improve the appearance of the toilet facilities, Lim says.

Checkout other projects: Rotary around the globe



# \$500 Drought Assistance Cards

Email David Bunce urgently: bunce@me.com

**RAWCS** (Rotary Australia World Community Service) has Drought Cards worth a total of more than \$100,000 to give away to Rotary clubs to distribute to drought impacted individuals in your communities.

Each one of our Drought Cards has a value of \$500 which can be used at any place in Australia where EFTPOS is accepted. The cards are valid until 31st December 2024 and must be used before then.

There is no hard and fast rule that recipients in your community must be experiencing drought now. It could also go to individuals and families that have been impacted by drought previously.

Get you nominations to David Bunce urgently - entries must be submitted to RAWCS by 31 July and there are only 240 cards available which will be distributed on a first come basis.



Click here to book

#### **Duty Roster**

**REMEMBER:** If you won't be there that day then it's your responsibility to arrange a replacement

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	Greeter	Setup/Closedown
<del>Thu 18 Jul</del>		
Thu 25 Jul	Rosemary M	Ros M
Thu 01 Aug	Ros M	Michael N
Thu 08 Aug	Michael N	Rob O
Thu 15 Aug		
Thu 22 Aug	Rob O	Greg P

#### **Board Members 2024-25**

President Jane Andersen Past President Dylys Bertelsen **President Elect Gregory Beard** Hawys McManus Secretary Cindy Kemp Treasurer **David Bunce Community Projects** Marketing Ann-Maree Bennett Membership Deb Le Garde **Projects** Bill Phillips **Rotary Foundation** Susan Rix Youth Loretta Lynch **Assisted By:** 

Fellowship Margot Baillie
Speaker Program Dylys Bertelsen
Administration Rosemary Meadows
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# CARNARVON GORGE/ BUNYA MOUNTAINS ROAD TRIP



Our family is planning a trip with Mette Feldthaus, 2024 Inbound Exchange Student from Denmark. We are planning a road trip to Carnarvon Gorge and the Bunya Mountains in September 2024. Some members have expressed an interest in joining the trip in part or all. All are welcome. The Plan: We will camp, there are always cabins/hotels/pubs and other options available at the other sites. It is a Road Trip. There are a lot of Kilometres, about 1500km, Sunday to Sunday. Dates are:

•	Depart Brisbane, lunch at Chinchilla. (291km from Brisbane to Chinchilla)	Sunday, 15/09/24
٠	Chinchilla To Roma, overnight Roma. (181km Chinchilla to Roma)	Sunday, 15/09/24
	Arrive Carnarvon Gorge (268km from Roma to Carnarvon)	Monday, 16/09/24 (midday)
	Depart Carnarvon Gorge (268km from Carnarvon to Roma)	Thursday, 19/09/24 (midday)
•	Overnight Roma in local pub	Thursday, 19/09/24
•	Arrive Bunya Mountains Friday, 20/09/24     (323km from Roma to Bunya Mountains)	
•	Depart Bunya Mountains/Arrive Brisbane (238km from Bunyas to Brisbane)	Sunday, 22/09/24

BYO - BYO everything really. 4WD not necessary, I have done this trip in a 2WD sedan before. We will have a full car of our family + Mette, so can't offer spare seats. Much of this is National Park where no dogs are allowed.

## **Highlights**

- On Tuesday, 20 September, we plan to do the main gorge walk at Carnarvon Gorge and a few smaller gorge "explorations" on Wednesday 21 September.
- On Wednesday, 21 September we plan to walk Mick's Gorge which is a short walk, with some rock-hopping - see photo above
- On the evening of Friday, 20 September, we plan to investigate Shackleton's Whisky Bar which is adjacent the campgrounds at Bunya Mountains.

Weather - if the weather is "really bad" we will probably only do the Bunya Mountains part as we have been "flooded in" at Carnarvon Gorge after very big rains before.

Rotary- upon investigation, there is no rotary club in Bunya Mountains, nearest is in Dalby who meet on Monday nights. Roma has a club who meet on Thursdays.

Contact - David Bunce on bunce@me.com

**Disclaimer** - this is not a difficult road trip, but there are some longish drives. We will pace ourselves to ensure everyone has a "good time" rather than focusing on timings. We need to be back in Brisbane on Sunday 22nd as we have barge bookings to Moreton Island the next day.