



HOT AIR

16 MAY 2024 | YOUTH SERVICE



1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Rotary Club of Ikoyi



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FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

... keeping children engaged with school

Living in one of Brisbane's traditional suburbs, it's easy to overlook how poverty impacts on children from new and struggling socio-economic areas. Yvette, Principal of the multi-cultural Riverview State School (daughter of our inimitable Bill Phillips), and her 2IC Sonia gave us plenty to think about when they talked about 'their' school at last week's breakfast.

One of the biggest barriers - they said - to providing a solid educational grounding to children at primary level is to get them to come to school on a regular basis. And the reasons why they (often) don't we found both surprising and heart-rending.

Led by Yvette and Sonia, they work tirelessly to remove the barriers to educating these young people by providing breakfast, lunch, essential books and school equipment, shoes, clothes, socks and more.

It's a labour of love for them but finding the funds is far from easy. In exploring ways we might help, the idea of re-starting The Sock Appeal re-surfaced. If you'd like to help us get started with some, nice brand new socks in children's sizes, please bring them along to our next breakfast.

... and helping combat loneliness in the school playground

We've all heard of the 'buddy bench' at schools where

lonely kids sit and wait for a friend to join forces. But it took John Dodman, Director of Community Services for the Rotary Club of Como, WA, to take it one step further. And he did this by getting the regional Men's Sheds involved.

It's an inspired combination. Just as Men's Sheds offer a place for men to meet and work together to cope with their issues, so too do these 'new style' buddy benches. Men's Sheds built and installed the first benches at Collier Primary School. But the clever part was that they delivered them 'raw' so the children could paint them and earn 'ownership' by working together to achieve a shared goal.

Read the article [here](#).

... Dates to remember

- District Board Meeting
Thursday May 23, 2024 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm
Phil Boron Memorial Centre (Bostock House)
Ellerton Drive
Wacol
- And of course, the Big One: Rotary International Convention - Singapore 2024
May 25 - May 29, 2024

... Correspondence from far and wide

- Irene's First Community Service Update
- Shelterbox #OffTheGrid Challenge

2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

16 MAY Bruce McNaught
Subject: Polio - a Personal Experience and Rotary's Mission to End Polio

23 MAY Ryan Blunden, Riayan Takhani
AI

30 MAY Jenni Walke
Elephant in the Room Consulting

3 ROSTER

ROSTER	16 MAY	23 MAY	30 MAY
Set Up & Close	Steve K.	Deborah L.	Phil G.
Greeter	Deborah L.	Phil G.	Bill L.

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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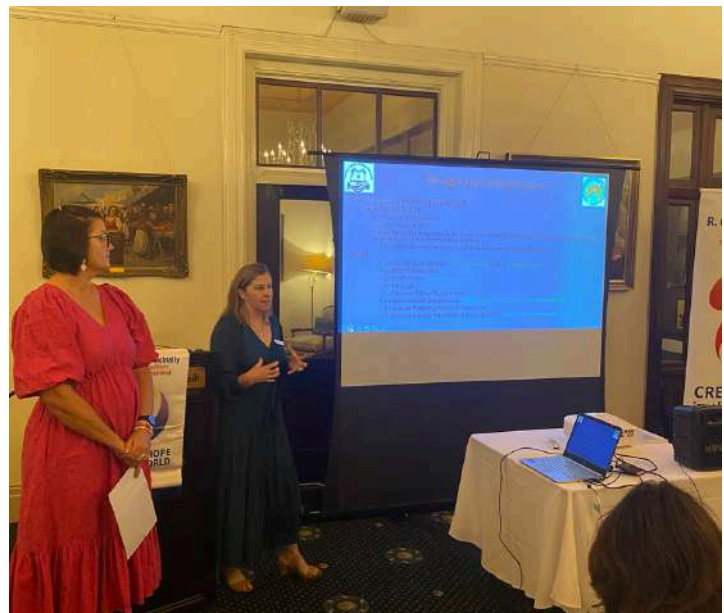
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ROTARY GRACE

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

Last Meeting

Yvette and Sonia from Riverview State School highlight the challenges children in socio-economic areas face in attending school regularly. Join us in supporting their efforts by contributing to The Sock Appeal with brand new children's socks at our next breakfast.



Guest Speaker



BRUCE MCNAUGHT

Polio Plus Chair Brisbane

Speaking on:
Polio - a Personal Experience and Rotary's
Mission to End Polio

16 MAY 2024 | THURSDAY



Rotary Down Under



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.

International Toasts



Today we toast the Rotary Club of Ikoyi. The club meets at 7:30 PM every Monday.

Concerned by Nigeria's high breast cancer mortality rate, the Rotary Club of Ikoyi partnered with the Sarah Ayoka Oduwaiye Foundation to conduct over 900 free screenings across Lagos, including at Lagos Island General Hospital and in the Obalende neighborhood. They also organized a Jazz Nite concert at the Alliance Française theater in January to raise awareness.

Announcements

Sponsorship - Art Show

Brisbane Rotary Art Show

Brisbane ROTARY ART SHOW

Exhibition Dates
Monday 15th July to Friday 26th July 2024

Opening Hours
Monday to Friday 8.00 am to 6.00 pm
Saturday/Sunday 10.00 am to 3.00 pm

Venue
Central Plaza One foyer (CP1 foyer),
345 Queen Street, Brisbane

Events
Art Show Gala Evening on Tuesday
16th July 2024

Providing opportunities for Sponsors to partner with us.
Please contact Murray Bell | 0438 105 799 |
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Brisbane ROTARY ART SHOW

Tuesday 16 July 2024
18:30 - 20:30

Brisbane Rotary ART SHOW COCKTAIL PARTY

Dress to impress and be prepared to immerse yourself in a night filled with art, culture, and camaraderie.

- 📍 rotaryart.au
- 📍 Central Plaza 1, 345 Queen St, Brisbane
- 📍 200+ curated art pieces up for sale
- 📍 Award winners announced
- 📍 \$75
- 📍 Canapés supplied by *MuMu'zU*

[Click me to purchase tickets](#)

Traction for Young People

TRACTION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

TRACTION's mission is to spark young people's potential and build their own positive futures.



Your generosity will give young people the head start they need!

Donate & be involved in the CEO Bike Build!

<https://traction.community/support-us>

Sock Donations



SOCK DONATION

FOR RIVERVIEW STATE SCHOOL

The Community Hub at Riverview is a very busy place supporting the school families with sandwiches and full lunch packs for kids who arrive with no food, food hampers donated by Oz Harvest, shoes and socks.

They appreciate the help from High-Rise volunteers to make the sandwiches but they would also like more socks of all sizes from Prep students on up.

Yvette and her staff are doing an amazing job with their pastoral care for families with many complex needs

Let's see what we can do for them!



Little Wings

A photograph of a woman with blonde hair, wearing a white beanie and a blue face mask, holding a baby wrapped in a pink blanket. The woman is smiling slightly. The background is a bright, outdoor setting.

LITTLE WINGS
YOUR JOURNEY IS OUR MISSION

Little Wings is a non for profit organization providing sick children and their families, throughout regional NSW, ACT & QLD with free ongoing flight and ground transport during the treatment process.

Click below to see ways to donate.

[DONATE NOW](#)

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