





17 Oct 2024 — Economic & Community Development Month

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**International Toast:** Rotary Club of Patchogue New York, USA See Page 6

#### The Presidential Point:

I have just arrived home from Sydney after helping to look after 3 great nieces - 5, 3 and 1 month. It was mammoth but delightful and now I'm missing "Aunty Jane, I want.....".

Since I missed last week's meeting I didn't hear Murray from 3rd Space, but I have heard that the painting was a great success. There were lots of painters, paint and energy to not only do the work we were committed to, but also an extra stairwell and handrail were painted. Susan Rix told me in no uncertain terms that she did not paint, but she, and others, did feed the painters with lots of delicious sandwiches and other goodies. We could not have completed all that without the enthusiastic assistance of RiverCity Retractors and many thanks to all for giving up your time - a rewarding transformation and great hands-on project. I learnt many years ago, working in institutions, that it is very important to give disadvantaged people an environment that is not luxurious but one that said we think you are worth this effort. Our work has helped to positively lift the 3rd Space premises.

Hawys has decided not to continue in the position of Secretary, however I'm pleased to announce that Jennifer Eathorne has agreed to take that on, which is great news.

Jane Andersen

# **Poetry Night – Mu'ooz Restaurant** Thursday 21 November – 6 for 6:30pm **Fundraiser for Rotary Foundation**

No talent required -Just you and some favourite words, prose, poetry, lyrics or limericks to share.

WHERE Mu'ooz Traditional African Restaurant

54 Mollison St, West End.

**WHEN** Thursday 21 November, 6 for 6.30pm

COST

BYO Drinks and your Poem / Song Lyrics

**RSVP** Thursday 14 November to:

Yvonne Robson yrrobson@gmail.com

PAY Please pay in advance by Direct Deposit

(remember to let Cindy know) or at a meeting.

# Phil's 'SpecSavers'



Over the past year or more, Phil Gough has been collecting surplus used spectacles from his local Optometrist and delivering them to RARE for distribution overseas.

He was astounded by the large quantity he collected regularly, which got him thinking that we should expand the program to include more Optometrists.

So, at the meeting last week, he handed out kits with a sign and other info, for members to take to Optometrists. For more info, or if you would like a kit, contact Phil: philipcgough@outlook.com

#### **Upcoming Meetings & Events**

Thu 17 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP Craig Wappett, Understanding US Political System

Thu 24 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP

Karyn Walsh, CEO of Micah Projects - see Page 5

Sun 27 Oct Movie Event at New Farm Cinemas - RSVP Fundraiser for Maternity Africa - see Page 4

Thu 31 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP Club Assembly

Thu 07 Nov Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP Anna Marsden, Great Barrier Reef Foundation

Thu 14 Nov Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - RSVP Susita Das

Rotary Grace: For the fellowship of Rotary we give our thanks.

# **Last Week's Meeting**

Stephanie A. Urchick
2024-25 President
Rotary International

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Guest Speaker - Murray Smith, Operations Manager 3rd Space

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**Murray Smith**, Operations Manager at 3<sup>rd</sup> Space thanked us for the recent transformation of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Space premises as a result of our painting project over last weekend (and in particular the handrail which he had been wanted painted for years!). 3<sup>rd</sup> Space provides support to homeless people, assists them in accessing other services, and provides the information and guidance needed to allow them to make change when they are ready. He also spoke about his varied life, how he came to be in the role and how the demands on 3<sup>rd</sup> Space have changed.



Greg Pearson, Andrew Albury & Russell Postle



Murray Smith & Steve Settle



Bill Phillips & Cindy Kemp at the door with Bill handing out the Trifecta tickets in support of Maternity Africa







Thanks to **BUNNINGS NEWSTEAD**for their support of the 3<sup>rd</sup>

Space Painting project

# Tom's Art Gathering, Maleny

A very enjoyable and successful afternoon, with a great diverse group of people, was spent by a group of about 20 at Tom Davison's home in Maleny last weekend. Tom unveiled the painting he brought back from Africa, purchased during his visit to St Judes in February 2024:

"I went into their new art gallery and saw this magnificent painting amongst many superb works. It is titled 'African Mask' and it had me entranced. I spoke with Form 6 student and lead painter Emanuel Ernest from the Sambaa tribe who was in and he explained the subject lady was his mother and she was painted with a sad look 'as life is hard in Africa'. There were also 3 other student painters involved with this work. After setting up at home I discovered two other figures in the painting that are obscure - see if you can find them!"

All proceeds from sale of the St Judes Art Gallery paintings go to St Judes school, with 10% going to the student painters. The painting was 1.5m square originally and is in acrylic and plaster on canvas. Packing for transit was difficult as it had to be un-framed and folded and, on arrival, there were many cracks evident. Tom engaged Phil Gough to restore and re-stretch it, with the finished size now 1.35m square - he did a great job!

Various people had brought along different pieces of art and explained their attachment to each piece. The group was entertained by a local artist Mandy, who is just learning to sing again, and it was Louise Arvier's 70th birthday recently so Noela baked a cake for her!



Tom Davison & Phil Gough with the unveiled artwork



Phil Gough's African Artworks on display



The group listening to Steve Settle discussing the artwork he brought



Lindsay Marshall & Bill Phillips



John & Louise Arvier, Noela & Bill Phillips and Tom Davison listening to Mandy signing



Louise Arvier, Noela Phillips and the cake



are both supporting the RFDS by participating in the Oceans to Outback October challenge:

#### Lindsay is walking 247km:

Please support my challenge to walk 247 kms in October, whilst working full-time, by donating to the RFDS who provide vital emergency assistance to Outback Australia. Why the 247 km distance? With the fact that I now can no longer ride a bike, I decided to take on one of the cycling distances instead as a salute to the great times and friends I have cycled with over several decades. Any support would be greatly appreciated.

https://www.oceanstooutback.org.au/fundraisers/Lindsa yMarshall/oceans-to-outback

#### Russell is cycling 609km:

https://www.oceanstooutback.org.au/fundraisers/russellpostle/oceans-to-outback



The Danish Club is hosting an event Cafe Danmark on 12 November.

**Mette** has asked if members of the club and their families would care to join her there. She has promised to teach 3-4 important Danish words to the club members and hopes that you will come and enjoy some Danish food with her.

The Danish Club is located at 36 Austin Street, Newstead, roughly half way between Newstead House and Gasworks.

Entry tickets are \$5 each and are available online at the Danish Club's event page: <u>Cafe Danmark</u>

The club suggests that you pre-order all smørrebrød and cheese orders one week before the event – menu is on the event page above.

Freshly made \$5 hotdogs will be available for purchase on the day, but it is highly recommended that you pre-order those also to avoid disappointment.

#### **David Bunce**

# Calling All Rotary Clubs - Showcase your club's project at the 2025 District Conference in Toowoomba!

Do you have a project that embodies the spirit and magic of Rotary? Here's your chance to share your success story with the entire district!

Our 2025 Conference Theme:



# **Connecting Communities**

Unlocking the Magic of Rotary

We are looking for dynamic and engaging presentations that exemplify this theme, highlighting the incredible work your club is doing to bring people together and make a positive impact.

#### **Presentation Details:**

- · Format: On Stage Presentation
- Duration: 15 minutes

#### How to submit your EOI:

- EOI Submission: 20 December 2024
- Send your EOI to cwright@bigpond.net.au

Don't miss out on this chance to shine a spotlight on your club's efforts and be part of an unforgettable conference experience in Toowoomba.





28-30 March 2025 Empire Theotre Toowoomba



# Movie Night – New Farm Cinemas Sunday 27 October – 3:30pm

# **Maternity Africa Fundraiser**

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#### Starring Kate Winslet and Jude Law.

A portrait of the great American war correspondent, Lee Miller, "whose singular talent and ferocious tenacity gave us some of the 20th Century's most indelible images".

WHERE New Farm Cinemas

701 Brunswick St, New Farm

WHEN Sunday 27 October, 3.30pm

**COST** \$25 + Pizza - Menu at right - **must pre-order**.

**RSVP** Friday 18th October with your Pizza order to:

Yvonne Robson <u>yrrobson@gmail.com</u>

PAY Please pay in advance by Direct Deposit (remember to let

Cindy know) or at a meeting.

# Margherita (V) Diced Tomato, Mozzarella & Oregano Ham & Cheese Smoked Leg Ham & Mozzarella Pepperoni Crispy Pepperoni & Mozzarella Hawaiian Smoked Leg Ham, Fresh Pineapple & Mozzarella

PIZZA

Spicy Vegetarian 20
Tomato, Mushroom, Capsicum,
Spinach, Red Onion, Pineapple,

Chilli Flakes & Spring Onion

The Godfather 20
Pepperoni, Italian Sausage, Capsicum,

Tomato, Olives, Mozzarella & Garlic Aioli

Gluten Free Base 4

# !!! RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED !!!

# — bring them to our meeting — !!! THIS WEEK !!!











High-Rise Members. do vou know someone who should attend RYLA? If they want to be sponsored, then you need to submit a nomination to us NOW and it will be reviewed by the Youth Committee for endorsement before the end of November.



Exciting News







Are you ready to take your leadership skills to the next level and have an unforgettable experience?

District 9620's Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) is BACK, and we're looking for passionate young people aged 20-30 to join us at Camp Cooby from 2nd to 8th of February 2025!

Nestled just north of Toowoomba with stunning lake views and a welcoming atmosphere, Camp Cooby is the perfect place to challenge yourself, meet new friends, and build leadership skills that will empower you for life!

Whether you're a young professional, a student, or anyone looking to grow, RYLA offers a unique opportunity to develop your leadership, personal growth, and citizenship skills. Plus, you'll connect with amazing mentors, fellow participants, and local Rotaract Clubs working to make a difference in the world!

Applications are open NOW with limited spots so don't wait! Successful applicants are sponsored by Rotary clubs or employers, so this is your chance to make an impact.

Are you up for the challenge? Apply today and kickstart your leadership journey!



https://forms.gle/cfJYGe1w1uw6etje8

#### **Duty Roster**

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

Setup	o, Greeter & Closedown	Chair
Thu 17 Oct	Steve S	Zanthia T
Thu 24 Oct	Zanthia T	Craig W
Thu 31 Oct	Craig W	Roly W
Thu 07 Nov	Roly W	Andrew A
Thu 14 Nov	Andrew A	Margot B
Thu 21 Nov	No Meeting – Poetry Night instead	

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

President Jane Andersen Past President Dylys Bertelsen **President Elect Gregory Beard** Jennifer Eathorne Secretary Treasurer Cindy Kemp Community Projects **David Bunce** 

Marketing Ann-Maree Bennett Deb Le Garde Membership Bill Phillips **Projects Rotary Foundation** Susan Rix Youth Loretta Lynch

**Assisted By:** Fellowship Margot Baillie Speaker Program Dylys Bertelsen Rosemary Meadows Administration Hot Air Steve Knight

#### **International Toast**

This week we are celebrating the: Rotary Club of Patchogue, New York, USA



The Rotary Club of Patchogue in New York has raised more than \$138,000 over the past dozen years by feting civic and business leaders in rollicking style. The most recent soiree. held in March to roughly coincide with St. Patrick's Day, attracted nearly 250 guests. Attendees paid \$125 each for food and drinks and to listen to friends and relatives roast local celebrities. "There were some slightly embarrassing stories of their childhood and baby pictures," says Paul Moran, a club member and organizer. A band featuring Moran and other Rotarians performed cover tunes to help lead the merriment. More than \$17,000 was donated to the Patchogue Community Service Foundation, principally for youth services, including Camp Pa-Oua-Tuck, a residential program for people with disabilities that is operated by Rotary District 7255.

## **Guest Speaker 24 October**

# MICAH PROJECTS





Karyn Walsh has worked in the not-for-profit sector addressing homeless since 1978. During this time, Karyn has worked with many groups to create organisations and services to respond to the local circumstances of people experiencing homelessness and the economic and social systems which create homelessness in the first place.

This has involved work across many population groups such as young people, young pregnant and parenting women, women and children escaping domestic violence, individuals, couples and families living on the streets, in cars, parks and motels.

In recognising our current housing crisis across all communities in Australia Karyn is particularly interested in how we create a more equitable and inclusive housing system that is affordable, has security of tenure and when needed embedded services and healthcare tailored to the needs of tenants. Karyn has advocated for Housing First and Supportive Housing to form an integral part of our housing system.

Karyn is the CEO of Micah Projects which provides a range of services and is the backbone organisation for Brisbane Zero. She is also an inaugural member and former Chair of the Australian Alliance to End Homelessness.