



CREATE HOPE  
in the WORLD

Rotary



Brisbane High-Rise

# HOT AIR

21 MAR 2024 | WATER AND SANITATION



## 1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Rotary Club of Woodinville



(details on page 5)

## FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

### ... educating children for a better world

At our High-Rise breakfast last week, Bill gave the floor to Gemma Sisia and her two international guests for a wonderful update on what's happening at the School of St Jude's in Tanzania. This is Gemma's own story - and one that most members of our Rotary family are familiar with.

But to recap for those who are new to our Club, starting with just a handful of students from severely impoverished backgrounds and one teacher, the school was able to open in 2002, due to the support of Rotary in Australia.

Today, numerous Rotary Clubs support St Jude's which now provides free, quality education to 1,800 bright primary and secondary students across three campuses with boarding facilities. It employs around 300 Tanzanian staff. Rotary contributions provide students with scholarships but also mean they can enjoy other benefits including water storage tanks, school buses and solar water heaters to the boarding houses. To read more click [here](#).

Two former students Winnie and Dr. Souli joined us at High-Rise on Thursday - to recount how their education experience at St Jude's has empowered them to support both their own families and the wider community. Thank you to Gemma and friends for a truly wonderful presentation.

### ... with all members playing their part

Gemma also presented me with an exquisite pencil etching that I have decided should be used for further

funds for St Jude's. Watch this space for more details. The raffle raised \$1455 also to be donated to The School of St Jude's.

### ...taking care of business

The March Board Meeting was held last week. Highlights as follows:

- Progressing the Investment and Financial Policies and Procedures.
- Proposed a minimum of \$12,000 to be available for donations 2023/24 year
- The board noted the sound financial position.
- It was agreed that 100% of the funds collected at the Movie night will be dispersed to Ride West as advertised
- The board agreed to support Riverview School as a Rotary project and committed to an annual budget of \$2000.
- The board agreed to further explore the opportunity to assist with the Car T Cell Project with a Rotary Grant application. Wendy and Susan to take next steps.
- Decision will be made at the next board meeting as to which projects would be a focus for a District Grant application
- The Art Show is progressing, a request to encourage our membership to look for additional sponsorships.
- The board would like to encourage our membership to attend the Cluster Fundraiser on the 9th April Fighting Polio.
- The review of the Club Constitution is progressing.

## 2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

**21 MAR Kellie McGowan**

Old Digital Licences - What are they all about?

**28 MAR Chris Baker**

Keeping the lights on in a renewable energy grid

**04 APR To Be Announced**

## 3 ROSTER

ROSTER	21 MAR	28 MAR	04 APR
Set Up & Close	Robyn D.	Gary D.	Jennifer E.
Greeter	Gary D.	Jennifer E.	Sorour F

### 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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### ROTARY GRACE

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

## FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

### ... supporting projects worldwide

With support from WHO and other partners in the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#), the use of geospatial tracking is helping stop polio outbreaks.

'Polio tracking goes hi-tech! Using their iPhones - in areas where there is service - on-the-ground vaccinators are gaining both speed and accuracy in ensuring that a vaccine reaches each child. Far more effective than the old pencil and paper maps!

Don't forget that The Cluster Fundraiser Dinner in support of Polio Eradication will be held on 9th April. Please book ASAP so we can organise the catering. To book, please click [here](#).

### ... Democracy Sausage Sizzle

On Saturday, Rotary High-Rise demonstrated their BBQ skills at a sausage sizzle outside the polling booths by City Hall. All proceeds went to our club.

## Last Week's Meeting

Rotary extends heartfelt gratitude to Gemma Sisia for her enlightening updates on the progress of St. Jude's. From its modest origins to now serving 1,800 students with free education, the impact is truly remarkable. Winnie and Dr. Souli's testimonies underscore the transformative power of education facilitated by St. Jude's and Rotary's unwavering support.



# Up and Coming Guest Speakers



Queensland Government  
Department of Transport and Main Roads

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## KELLIE MCGOWAN

*Director (Change) at Department of Transport and Main Roads*

Leading the Change for the Queensland Digital Licence Project. Engaging with Federal, State and Local government, peak bodies and industry and the Queensland community.

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21 MARCH 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 Woodinville. The club meets at 7:15 AM every Tuesday.

The Rotary Club of Woodinville, Washington, spearheads a project aimed at supporting pollinators, particularly bees, which play a crucial role in North American plant species' pollination. Utilizing donated wine barrels as planters, the club not only beautifies the Seattle suburb but also educates the community on pollinator importance through QR codes linking to their website.

# Announcements

## Rotary District 9620 Photo Competition



**ROTARY DISTRICT 9620 PHOTO CONTEST**

Show your photography skill & win prizes

"ACTION SHOTS" YOU HAVE TO BE IN IT TO WIN IT.

ENTRIES MUST BE THE ORIGINAL WORK OF THE ENTRANT.

To send your entries, please visit our site:  
<https://photocomp.rotary9620.org/>

**GIVE US YOUR BEST SHOT!**  
LET'S JOIN THE CONTEST

## A Polio Dinner Event



**ROTARY KINROSS CLUSTER**  
**A Polio Dinner Event**

**TUESDAY | 9TH APRIL**

Time: 5:45 for 6:15 START  
Place: 431 Curtin Avenue West, Eagle Farm QLD 4009

**COST: \$50.00/ PERSON**  
RSVP: 2nd April to (0419389804)  
[bruce@brucecmnaught.com](mailto:bruce@brucecmnaught.com)  
Smart Casual (No Jeans)

**END POLIO NOW**

## RARE



Rotary Australian Districts | **RAWCS** WE BACK UPING GOOD

**Rotary Australia Repurposing Equipment (RARE)**

Brisbane High-Rise opportunity to volunteer!  
Talk to Steve Knight for more details and to assist.

6th April 2024 | Saturday

## Ride West Fundraiser Raffle



**RIDE WEST BIKE RAFFLE**

Win a Custom Painted Ride West Chapter2 Bike

**FRIDAY DRAW DATE: 26 APRIL 2024**

**TICKET \$100**

**BIKE SPECIFICATIONS**

- ❖ Chapter2 TOA
- ❖ MANA2 Carbon Bars
- ❖ Shimano Ultegra Di2
- ❖ Zipp 3035 Carbon Wheels
- ❖ Fizik Saddle
- ❖ Custom paint design

**WINNER GETS TO SELECT, FRAME SIZE, HANDLEBAR WIDTH, STEM LENGTH & CRANK LENGTH**

Text "RideWestBike" to 8420677164 for details on ticket purchasing

**MORE DETAILS HERE**

## Beauty and the Beast in Theatre

**BEAUTY AND THE BEAST**  
 premieres in Brisbane for the first time!



LYRIC THEATRE, QUEENSLAND  
 PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE (QPAC)

18 APRIL 2024  
 Tickets and details see Susan Rix - opportunity to have a meal together before the performance.

Feel free to invite families and friends!

**\$95/ Ticket**

<https://www.qpac.com.au/newsroom/2024/beauty-and-the-beast-1>

## Bryce Davies - Funrun

**60KMS FOR 60 YEARS**  
**BRYCE DAVIES**  
 VOLUNTEERS ARE ALSO WELCOME!

**MAY 4TH**  
**2024**

**REGISTER HERE**  
<https://abcd.fillout.com/bryces60k>




## Cocktail Fundraising Gala



You are invited to

*an evening of*  
**Brushing Kindness**  
 a cocktail fundraising gala


**MAY 18** 6:30PM  
**THE PORT OFFICE HOTEL**  
 Dress Code: Cocktail Attire

*in support of*

 **Habitat for Humanity Australia**

 **Rotaract Club of Brisbane Rivercity**

## Rotary Nomads Changeover Muster 2024



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**CHANGEOVER MUSTER 2024**

**19 JUNE 2024 | 6:30 PM**

Changeover Muster week at Moore Park Beach near Bundaberg from Monday 17 June to Monday 24 June, 2024.

**Invitations will be available soon!**

Book at the Moore Park Beach Caravan Park and mention that you are with Rotary Nomads.



## Board Members 2023 - 2024

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PRESIDENT	DYLYS BERTELSEN
PRESIDENT ELECT	JANE ANDERSON
SECRETARY	ANGELA TILLMANNS
MAJOR PROJECTS DIRECTOR	BILL PHILLIPS
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## Food for Thoughts

