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Rotary



Brisbane High-Rise

# HOT AIR

23 MAY 2024 | YOUTH SERVICE



## 1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Rotary Club of Highton



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## FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

### ...We are people of action

At last week's breakfast meeting, we were thrilled to welcome Ann Maree Buttner to our Brisbane High-Rise Club.

She joins us in an international organisation of business and professional people of action, who are committed to helping others from 45,000+ clubs worldwide. As active Rotarians, we connect passionate people with diverse perspectives so they can exchange ideas, forge lifelong friendships, and take action to change the world.

We are also problem solvers who apply our collective expertise and experience to tackle the most persistent problems facing our communities to find new, more effective ways to enhance health, stability, and prosperity across the globe.

And we are community builders who work with community leaders on projects that have a lasting impact on people's lives.

Our warm welcome to Ann Maree this morning also offered a wonderful opportunity to re-visit the four key ideals of service on which we Rotarians build our lives. As you know, these embrace networking, devotion to ethical standards, the application of service as a driver of professional, personal and community life and the advancement of international understanding and goodwill. Excellent rules to live by.

### ... finally winning against the scourge of global polio

Our breakfast speaker was Bruce McNaught, Immediate

Past President of Brisbane Club and a tireless worker on the global project to eradicate polio once and for all. Having himself lived through 'the polio years' polio years' contracting the disease as a child, Bruce's very personal narrative made gripping listening. Sad and heart-wrenching in essence, it is also a positive story.

Bruce says that - at last, and after amazing activity worldwide - it's anticipated that by 2026, when work is completed, there will be no more polio to torment the world. It's the achievement of a seemingly impossible dream.

### ...and keeping up with the times

This week our breakfast speakers will be Ryan Blunden and Raiyan Talkani expounding on the benefits and pitfalls of AI.

### ... and before, we go

Jane has the results of our recent Member Survey and will be delivering these to you at the Breakfast meeting this week.

### ...Dates for the diary

- District Board Meeting  
Thursday May 23, 2024 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm  
Phil Boron Memorial Centre (Bostock House)  
Ellerton Drive  
Wacol
- ShelterBox Aid is in Gaza

## 2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

23 MAY Ryan Blunden, Riayan Takhani  
AI

30 MAY Jenni Walke  
Elephant in the Room Consulting

06 JUN Phil Cough/Rob O'Donovan  
Antarctica trip

## 3 ROSTER

ROSTER	23 MAY	30 MAY	06 JUN
Set Up & Close	Deborah L.	Phil G.	Bill L.
Greeter	Phil G.	Deborah L.	Kenneth M.

### 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

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Fellowship of  
Rotary we Give  
our thanks

# Last Meeting

Last meeting, Bruce McNaught, a dedicated advocate for global polio eradication, captivated us with his poignant and inspiring personal story. As a childhood survivor of polio, Bruce's heartfelt narrative transformed a tragic experience into a powerful message of hope and determination.



# Welcoming our new Rotarian

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST BRISBANE HIGH-RISE ROTARIAN, ANN MAREE BUTTNER, INDUCTED INTO THE CLUB ON 16TH MAY 2024.



# Up and Coming Guest Speaker



THURSDAY  
23 MAY 2024

Speaking on:  
Artificial Intelligence (AI)

## RYAN BLUNDEN

Creative and versatile technical content creator with over a decade of experience in Technical Training, Technical Writing, Video Production, and Content Marketing.



## RAIYAN TALKHAN

Specializes in AI-driven image processing, including face detection and satellite image analysis, driven by a passion for innovative solutions.

## Mamba School

During their visit to Mamba, Bill had the pleasure of presenting the Head Boy with funds for a new jumper and shorts, as his were falling apart—a truly heartwarming moment. Later, the staff treated them to a delightful lunch in the library, complete with much-needed bananas!



# 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 Highton. The club meets at 7:00 PM every Thursday.

Inspired by a stroll, Rod Morrison suggested his Rotary Club in southeast Australia offer public tours of the historic 1878 Fyansford Paper Mill, a heritage site near the Barwon River. These 75-minute tours, showcasing the mill's history and its role as one of Australia's first recyclers, have raised over US\$12,000 for community projects and sparked enthusiasm for local history.

# Announcements

## Change Over Dinner

**Rotary**   
Club of Brisbane High Rise

President Elect, Jane Andersen, would like to invite you, your partner, and guests to the

### 31st Change Over Dinner

**COST: \$85pp incl 2 course meal and beverage on arrival**

**Bylys**  **Jane** 

**WHEN:** Friday, 5th July 6.30-9.30pm  
**WHERE:** Tattersalls Club, 215 Queen St, Brisbane  
**RSVP:** by 26 June to Hawys McManus & advise dietary requirements  
**EMAIL:** [hawysmcmanus@bigpond.com](mailto:hawysmcmanus@bigpond.com)  
**DRESS CODE:** Business

 THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

## Brisbane Rotary Art Show

**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](http://rotaryart.au)
- 📍 Central Plaza 1, 345 Queen St, Brisbane
- 📍 200+ curated art pieces up for sale
- 📍 Award winners announced
- 📍 \$75
- 📍 Canapés supplied by 

 [Click me to purchase tickets](#)

## Rotary Art Show - Details



**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 |  
[murray@mbplanning.com.au](mailto:murray@mbplanning.com.au)

## Rotary Art Show - Volunteers Needed




**ART SHOW VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

To nominate to volunteer, please go to the online roster form and add your name in any vacant spots using the link below

**VOLUNTEER NOW!**

## 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**

**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\*\*](#)

**Club Social Media Request**

Let your friends know about our amazing club and ask them to follow our page.

If you see a post that you think a Facebook friend would like, tag them by @FirstnameSecondname - their name should pop up and you can click on their name - tell them why you think they'd like the post and ask them to like the page.

**Don't judge - they may be keen to know more about us.**

**#** If you are still unsure about how to "tag" a friend, ask Ann-Maree to show you.

**Board Members 2023 - 2024**

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**Food for Thoughts**

**"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on."**

Robert Frost