



**CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD**

Rotary



Brisbane High-Rise

HOT AIR

30 MAY 2024 | YOUTH SERVICE



1 INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Rotary Club of Nuevo Santander



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FROM THE PRESIDENT - DYLYS BERTELSEN

...We are people of action

All Rotarians are part of a wider group that is acknowledged nationally during National Volunteer Week - Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteering. It occurred this year 20-26 May 2024. The theme? "Something for Everyone."

... Who also watch

The Viva! Vienna! Festival offers a master class in how a special event can galvanize residents and community groups, says Gunnar Spafford, a member of the Rotary Club of Vienna, Virginia, which took on the project in the mid-1990s.

The Memorial Day weekend event in a suburb of Washington, D.C., has grown into a huge celebration that attracted 60,000 people and raised USD 230,000 in 2013. The biggest share of the proceeds came from carnival rides followed by returns from vendors. "I see this as an opportunity to have other Rotarians experience Viva! Vienna! for the fundraising prowess it has," Spafford says. Source: Rotary International News)

... Learn

And learning was the driver at the breakfast meeting when Ryan Blunden and Raiyan Talkgani from Dronician Tech kept us spellbound with their presentation on AI - the good, the bad and the ugly of what's happening now in research; what will happen - and what we're missing by not knowing enough.

We learned that Dronician creates budget-friendly AI products for independent and small scale researchers, looking to expand the scope of their projects by integrating AI systems. Everyone (with an idea) is welcomed.

This presentation was an eye-opener for me. Although I draw on AI in a very small way in some aspects of my work, I came

away - somewhat dazed - but thinking "I must know more." And I was certainly not alone, judging by the chatter of excited Rotarians all around me. If you would like to review Ryan and Raiyan's presentation, please click [here](#).

... and listen

Thank you to Jane who has done a wonderful job in collating and analysing the results of our second Satisfaction Survey, as submitted by 22 Rotarians from High-Rise Club. Of those, the majority of members expressed their general satisfaction with the way things stand and are done.

But we all know continuous improvement comes from listening and learning to people who are happy to speak up. So, if any members are interested in helping us effect the changes they'd like to see, they should contact Jane directly.

... Next week

Our presentation at the Breakfast Meeting will be made by Jenni Walke from Elephant in the Room Consulting - a female led, 100%-owned Indigenous company providing management consulting, mentoring and coaching to businesses in Australia, Europe and South East Asia.

...Correspondence from far and wide

To stay updated with Hugh's latest travel correspondence and photos, please click [here](#).

...Brisbane Rotary High-Rise Turns 31

Brisbane High-Rise was chartered on May 27, 1993, which means that today, your club has completed 31 years service in RI District 9620 in serving the communities across the world. We couldn't have done it without each and every one of you!

2 PROGRAM/GUEST SPEAKER

30 MAY Jenni Walke
Elephant in the Room Consulting

06 JUN Phil Gough/Rob O'Donovan
Antarctica trip

13 JUN Craig Bowen
How Rotary has changed through the last 30 years

3 ROSTER

ROSTER	30 MAY	06 JUN	13 JUN
Set Up & Close	Phil G.	Bill L.	Kenneth M.
Greeter	Deborah L.	Kenneth M.	Kym 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

For the Fellowship of Rotary we Give our thanks

Rotary Singapore Convention

Bill Leveritt with daughter Jo Leveritt (Rotary Club of Bundaberg) at the international convention.



Up and Coming Guest Speaker



Jenni Walke, a Bundjalung woman and founder of Elephant in the Room Consulting, has three decades of experience in leadership development and business strategy. She combines her Aboriginal heritage with her expertise to promote inclusive business practices and culturally safe workplaces. Specializing in program design and performance coaching, Jenni works with Indigenous peoples and organizations. Her diverse background, including military service and roles in Commonwealth agencies, enhances her consultancy's focus on supplier diversity, policy influence, and economic development.



JENNI WALKE

Elephant in the Room Consulting

30 MAY 2024 | THURSDAY

Mama Irene

This is Irene and her mum. Bill and Noella visited their home and brought a home pack. Mama Irene is a single mother who raised her two girls by selling second-hand clothing on the streets, earning \$45 a month. Despite this, she bought her own house five years ago. They live in a one-room home and share a bed. Mama Irene is an inspiration.



St Jude's Graduation

Bill and Noella attended the St. Jude's graduation, where they had the opportunity to have their photo taken with the graduating class. They were able to spend time with Victoria, making it a very emotional and memorable experience for her. We also had Sebastian at the pre graduation dinner which he attended at Noela's invitation.



Update from Hugh

Dear BHRRC

I've made a big step with my language, I'm not much better at it then last month but I've started using it almost entirely. I don't really say much and struggle to understand when people are talking at their natural speed, but that's all part of the fun. The sun is well and truly out now, while unpredictable and fond of disappearing and reappearing for weeks at a time, it's here and I've even managed to be burnt by it. I've recently come back from a holiday weekend with my new host family to the island of Fanø and had a nice relaxing weekend walking around the beach and "blokartering" (go karts with sails that you can use on the beach). I've had a nice first month with my host family, they live quite differently compared to my first and I'm really enjoying the change. The Euro tourist approaching as I leave on the 23rd of May and I can't wait, though I'm worried I'll lose all my progress in speaking Danish after speaking English for two weeks. Immediately after I come back, I have summer vacation, so I have a lot to look forward to right now and am having a great time. Hope you all are doing well

Kind Regards,
Hugh



Announcements

Rotary Art Show - Details

Rotary Art Show - Volunteers Needed

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 |
murray@mbplanning.com.au

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**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!

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 Nuevo Santander. The club meets at 8:00 PM every other week on Wednesday.

The Rotary Club of Nuevo Santander built a community kitchen at Comedor Santa María school in Nuevo Laredo, providing meals for hundreds of children in low-income neighborhoods. Launched in 2018, the \$150,000 project serves 230 children daily, with operational costs covered by donations, and Rotarians also supplying solar panels.

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






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
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
- 📍 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](#)

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

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.

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