

 **HOT AIR**

02 October 2025 — Community Economic Development Month

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International Toast:
Rotaract Club of Bern,
Switzerland
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The President's Post

A special thanks to Cindy for facilitating our discussion last Thursday. Thanks too, to those who engaged so well; everyone by the end!

So why are Mission, Vision, and Tagline important and why do they need occasional review?

They are key to an organization's identity and direction:

- **Mission** explains the organisation's purpose and guides daily actions.
- **Vision** describes long-term goals and inspires a shared future.
- **Tagline** is a short phrase which captures our essence and makes it memorable.

Together, they **build trust, attract support, and motivate people** by providing clear meaning and direction.

Important then to take the time to get it right. More important however is that it is used! "Leaving it in the drawer" until next review will leave it being considered a waste of valuable time when, in fact, it holds the potential for a purposeful future.

This Thursday is another speaker not to be missed! **Tamsyn Kiely from 3rd Space**. We determined without hesitation to continue supporting this amazing community service. Hear about what's planned in the future and how our contribution helps.

Greg Beard

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 02 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Tamsyn Kiely, 3rd Space
- Thu 04 Oct RARE Working Bee – [RSVP](#)**
Assisting at RARE, Alexandria Hills
- Thu 09 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Dr Darryl Gauld OAM, Team Rainbow
Rainbow Games Inc - an Overview
- Thu 16 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Prof Nick Martin, QIMR Berghofer - What twins can tell us about mental health problems
- Mon 20 Oct End Polio Now Movie Night – [Bookings](#)**
The Travellers @ Five Star Cinemas - Red Hill
- Thu 23 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Madonna King – Screenwise: what we need to know to keep our children and grandchildren safe
- Thu 23 Oct Poetry Night @ New Farm Bowls Club – [RSVP](#)**
Hosted by Kit Bennetts & Rob O'Donovan
- Thu 30 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Club Assembly

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

SHELTERBAGS FOR THE HOMELESS AUSTRALIA

High-Rise again accepted the challenge for another 20 ShelterBags and we now have commitments for all of them. The order is in and the bags will arrive next year for delivery to 3rdSpace. Thanks for supporting this project!

David Bunce



[3rdSpace](#) [ShelterBags](#)

OCTOBER Service Activity



Our October Service Activity is at RARE on Sat 04 Oct.

Our task involves packing and stacking medical supplies, sorting books, etc, to be sent in containers to the Pacific Islands. It is as strenuous as you want it to be - there is a very wide range of activities you can choose from out there. And they do a rather nice morning tea too, plus you can meet all sorts of people from other Rotary clubs around Brisbane.

Please RSVP for this event and let me know if you (A) can come along, or (B) if you cannot come along or (C) if you do not want to come along, as I recognise this is not for everyone. This feedback helps me find activities that will best service the clubs' needs. Please send me an email if you have not already replied me via WhatsApp.

RARE is at 73 MacArthur St, Alexandria Hills. I will send a reminder SMS with directions and timing a few days prior, but it is normally an 8:30am start.

David Bunce

Upcoming Events

Polio Movie Event 6pm, Mon 20 Oct 2025

END
POLIO
NOW

Luke BRACEY Bryan BROWN Susie PORTER

The Travellers

A film by Bruce Beresford

Polio Movie Events have been incredibly successful in raising funds for Rotary's number one priority, Ending Polio. This year, Rotary International, with SONY PICTURES, have secured an exciting new Australian movie release **The Travellers** - a great opportunity for Rotary members and people in our communities to have some fun together and raise funds!

Written and directed by Bruce Beresford, **The Travellers** is a poignant, funny and heartwarming family story, starring Luke Bracey, Bryan Brown and Susie Porter with Shubshri Kandiah, Celia Massingham and Nicholas Hammond. Watch the trailer on YouTube [here](#).

Stephen Seary, a charismatic and successful stage designer, returns to his small hometown in Australia to say goodbye to his dying mother. What was to be a quick trip descends into chaos, drama, and at times downright funny moments as Stephen navigates family responsibilities, a difficult relationship with his father, old friends & past lovers, all while trying to return to Europe for a major opera contract.

Luxury Premium Cinema tickets are just \$25.00 per person with profit going to Ending Polio. **Only 60 tickets available - Book [here](#).** Thank you to our friends at **Five Star Cinemas Red Hill**.

Co-hosted by Rotary Clubs of Brisbane and Paddington.

Poetry Night

THU 23rd OCT | NEW FARM BOWLS CLUB | 6.30-9pm

Come along and enjoy a night of Verse and Stories.

Our Masters of Mirth, Rob and Kit, will be our MCs for the night.

BYO favourite poem, prose or song lyric

\$35 - covers a delicious selection of classic club snacks: dips, chips, beef pies, sausage rolls, spinach & feta triangles, beef, chicken and bacon & falafel sliders. Drinks: Cash bar.

RSVP to Yvonne Robson by 16 Oct and advise her of any dietary requirements. Pay Cindy at our meetings or Direct Deposit.



2025 Rotary South Pacific Zone Conference

Gold Coast, Australia | 31 Oct – 2 Nov 2025

All Rotarians and Rotaractors are invited to come together to **Connect, Share and Grow** at the **2025 Rotary South Pacific Zone Conference**.



You will be inspired and motivated as we connect and share ideas to grow Rotary and activate the strategic priorities of Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation.

The 2025 event will be held at Twin Towns Conference and Function Centre, Tweed Heads, just a few minutes stroll to Coolangatta and the Gold Coast's spectacular beaches.

<https://rotarydownunder.org/events/rotary-international-convention-2025/>

ROTARY'S VISION STATEMENT

TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION
TO **CREATE** LASTING
CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE
IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

QPAC Theatre Night SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS Thursday 18 Dec 25



Adult \$79 Child \$49

QPAC's longest running event returns to the iconic Concert Hall. Two of Australia's leading musical theatre stars will join a host of special guests in uplifting seasonal song and much-loved Christmas carols, beautifully supported by a full orchestra and the glorious voices of the QPAC Chamber Choir and MOSAIC Multicultural Choir.

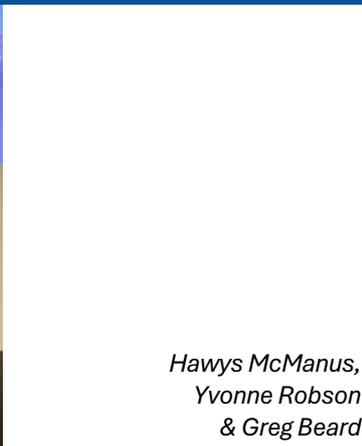
Click for more info: [QPAC Spirit of Christmas](#)

Contact Susax Rix to book

Last Week's Meeting



Cindy Kemp enjoying facilitating the brainstorming session on our Mission, Vision and Tagline



*Hawys McManus,
Yvonne Robson
& Greg Beard*

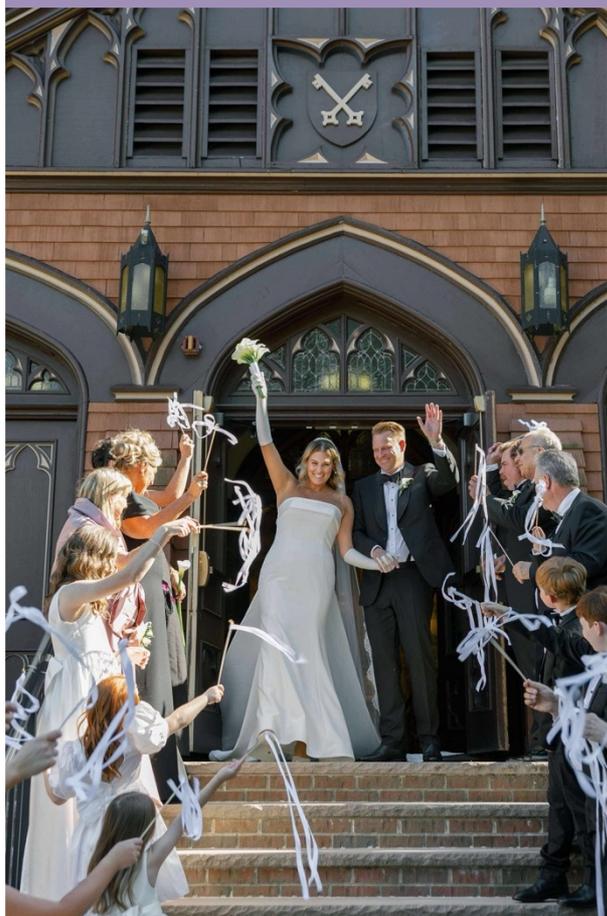


Rosemary Meadows and Margot Baillie, clearly a Brisbane Lions supporter



Rob O'Donovan collecting his allocation of Melbourne Cup Trifecta tickets from Bill Phillips (and inset is what Rob really thought of them!)

The Big Wedding



A few photos of the big wedding: My eldest son, Logan Kedwell, married Taylor La Quaglia at Point Pleasant Jersey Shore NJ on 22nd August.

Mix Aussies and Italians in New Jersey and you get one big celebration.

Yvonne Robson 🥰❤️



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

Calendar 2025-26

Activities outside of Club Meetings

KEY:

- Major Projects
- Community Services
- Social
- Foundation
- Youth
- District Events, Conferences or Training

OCTOBER

Community Economic Development Month

Art Show 2026 Preparation	R.A.R.E. 4-Oct-25
PUBLIC HOLIDAY King's B'Day 6-Oct	Kinross Cluster Meeting 9-Oct
World Polio Day 24-Oct	Board Meeting 27-Oct
Movie Night Polio Fundraiser \$25pp 20-Oct 6-9pm	Poetry Night \$35pp 23-Oct 6.30pm

NOVEMBER

Rotary Foundation Month

Art Show 2026 Preparation	Dinner Social TBC
World Interact Day 5-Nov	Board Meeting 24-Nov

Board Members 2025-26

President	Greg Beard
Past President	Jane Andersen
President Elect	Cindy Kemp
Secretary	Ann Maree Buttner
Treasurer	Cindy Kemp
Community Projects	David Bunce
Marketing	Ann-Maree Bennett
Membership	Bill Phillips
Rotary Foundation	Susan Rix
Youth	Loretta Lynch
Assisted By:	
Fellowship	Margot Baillie
Speaker Program	Ann-Maree Bennett
Administration	Rosemary Meadows
Hot Air	Steve Knight

Duty Roster

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

	Greeter & Closedown	Chair
Thu 02 Oct	Ann-Maree Be	Murray B
Thu 09 Oct	Kit B	Ann-Maree Be
Thu 16 Oct	Dyls B	Kit B
Thu 23 Oct	Kerstin B	Dyls B
Thu 30 Oct	David B	Kerstin B

RFDS OCEANS to OUTBACK



Lindsay Marshall, Russell Postle and Alex Griffiths are, once again, supporting the RFDS by participating in the **Oceans to Outback** October challenge.

Please support us as we support RFDS in the Oceans to Outback challenge again this October.

Last year I walked 247km. This year I've set myself the challenge of cycling 609km, but on a spin trainer indoors.

Russell will be out on the road, riding 609km again, Alex will be walking 1,000km.

And we will all be doing that in the 31 days of October.

Lindsay Marshall

Use the links below to support Lindsay, Russell and Alex and donate to the RFDS who provide vital emergency assistance to Outback Australia.

[Lindsay Marshall](#)

[Russell Postle](#)

[Alex Griffiths](#)

International Toast

This week we are celebrating the:
Rotaract Club of Bern, Switzerland



Rotaract  Bern

"Anyone can be struck by disaster. Using our good fortune to support others is a no-brainer to me."

When Vincent Menne first encountered Rotary at a Christmas market, he had no idea it would lead him to disaster relief work.

Now a member of the Rotaract Club of Bern, Vincent serves on the ShelterBox Switzerland board, connecting Rotaractors with the nonprofit and sharing its mission: bringing emergency shelter to families after disaster.

Vincent says Rotary members worldwide are often the first point of contact after disasters, helping communities quickly assess needs and mobilize support.

<https://bern.rotaract.ch/en/organisation/about-us?ce=1>