



16 October 2025 — Community Economic Development Month

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**The President's Post**

I know that a majority will agree that membership is easiest to increase while we are strong. It is also an easy time to rest on our laurels, to undertake fantastic projects and to importantly, develop stronger bonds with existing members. The focus unwittingly is not on asking others to join with the great activities that we find so rewarding.

Ann-Maree and I, over time, have asked some 8 to 10 to come and have a look! It is such a great club that it really is easy to ask.

Bill setting a date to bring a guest along brought something else home to me too; just how easy it is to miss following up someone once asked.

The difficulty is keeping "the ask" Top of Mind!

**My ask then would be that, for the next six months, we work to keeping "asking someone along" Top of Mind.**

**Loretta** has given much time and effort to our club being able to **measure volunteer hours**. If you haven't done so yet (like me!!) could you complete the form **Rotary High-Rise Impact Report** & return it to Loretta, please.

**Greg Beard**

**Upcoming Meetings & Events**

- Wed 15 Oct New member Webinar @ 9am – See Page 2**
- Thu 16 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**  
Prof Nick Martin, QIMR Berghofer - What twins can tell us about mental health problems  
••• Membership Meeting – Bring a Guest! •••
- Sat 18 Oct Craft Beer Festival – See Page 4**  
Rotary Club of Hamilton
- Mon 20 Oct End Polio Now Movie Night – See Page 4**  
Rotary Clubs of Brisbane & Paddington
- Wed 22 Oct Pride of Workmanship Awards – See Page 4**  
Rotary Club of New Farm
- Wed 22 Oct Rotary Foundation Dinner – See Page 4**  
Guest Speaker PDG Wendy Protheroe
- 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 Rob O'Donovan – See Page 2

 **WORLD POLIO DAY**   
**IS 24 OCTOBER**

- Thu 30 Oct Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**  
Club Assembly
- Tue 02 Nov Melbourne Cup Trifecta – See Page 3**  
Got your tickets? Check to see if you won!
- Thu 06 Nov Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**  
Nick Mair, Mental Health Pack

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

 **RIVERVIEW STATE SCHOOL** 

8th October 2025

Dear Brisbane High-Rise Rotary Team,

I am reaching out on behalf of the Riverview Primary School Community Hub. Our school is located in Riverview, one of Queensland's most disadvantaged communities, where many families experience financial hardship and social challenges.

These difficulties often mean that children come to school without the essentials they need to learn. One of the most immediate needs we see is that some students arrive in shoes that are not adequately fitting (often far too big or too small) because families cannot afford to replace them. This highlights the importance of community support to ensure that every child has access to the basics that allow them to feel comfortable, confident, and ready to learn.

We are seeking support to collect or provide spare shoes that can be kept at the School Community Hub and shared with students when needed. We believe this aligns well with Rotary's commitment to supporting children, education, and community wellbeing.

Would your club be interested in partnering with us for this initiative? Shoes in sizes kids' size 10 through to adult sizes 9/10 would make a big difference to our primary school students.

Thank you very much for considering this request.

Please don't hesitate to contact the myself if you have any further questions or concerns by phone

3816 6111 or email [principal@riverviewss.edu.au](mailto:principal@riverviewss.edu.au)

Kind regards,

**Contact [Bill Phillips](#) if you can assist with this request**

Yvette Phillips  
Principal

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

## Last Week's Meeting



President Greg Beard & Guest Speaker Dr Darryl Gauld OAM



Guest of the evening Ann-Maree Bennett



Darryl Gauld, Kerstin Booge-Linton & Roly Wells



Margot Baillie & Wendy Protheroe



Lindsay Marshall not winning the Joker Draw

## New Member Webinar

# WELCOME TO ROTARY!

### An Orientation for new members

New members, or those who have been in Rotary for a little while and would like to know more, are invited to Rotary's virtual new member orientation webinar

9am Brisbane time on Wednesday 15 Oct.

The webinar will share Rotary's history, mission, vision, and values, and help you discover ways to get involved.

Register [here](#)

## RARE Saturday 04 Oct 25



I missed including this thankyou from David Bunce last week. Ed



### Rotary in Action at RARE – A Day of Impact

Saturday, 4 October was a shining example of Rotary in Action, as our Club joined forces with the team at RARE to make a real difference.

With a record turnout, 12 dedicated Club members volunteered their time and energy to help load three shipping containers bound for Honiara, Uganda and Port Moresby.

The containers were packed with a wide range of essential items, including:

- Books
- Mattresses
- Carpet
- Surgical equipment
- An ambulance!

It was a privilege to support RARE in their mission to deliver meaningful change across the Pacific. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed — your efforts are helping transform lives.

David Bunce

## Poetry Night

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

Come along and enjoy a night of Verse and Stories. Our Master of Mirth, Rob O'Donovan, will be our MC 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.



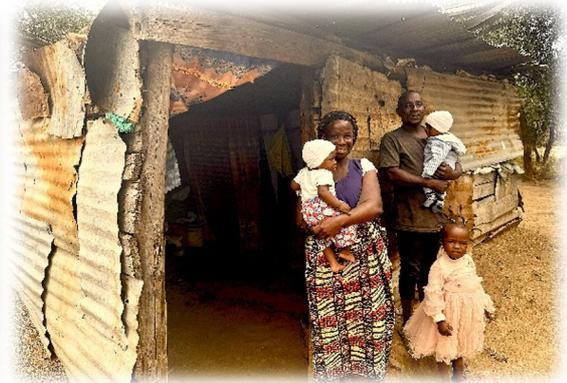
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Contact: Bill Phillips 0418 780 663

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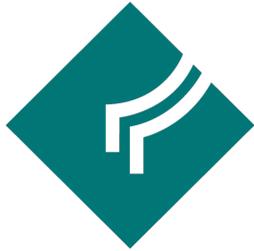
**Maternity Africa's Kivulini Maternity  
Centre, Arusha, Tanzania**

Maternity Africa's Kivulini Maternity Centre is a not-for-profit, charity hospital in Arusha, Tanzania, founded by Dr Andrew Browning AM, an Aussie Obstetrician and Gynaecologist. It provides FREE, quality, evidence-based health care to vulnerable and poor women & girls in Tanzania, including: safe birthing procedures, antenatal and postnatal care, counselling, family planning and fistula repair.

All funds raised will support Andrew's aim to improve maternal health outcomes for the most destitute women in Tanzania. <https://maternityafrica.org/>



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# Upcoming Events



Rotary Club of Hamilton



## CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Saturday 18 October 2025  
12-5pm

Supporting Community

St Augustine's  
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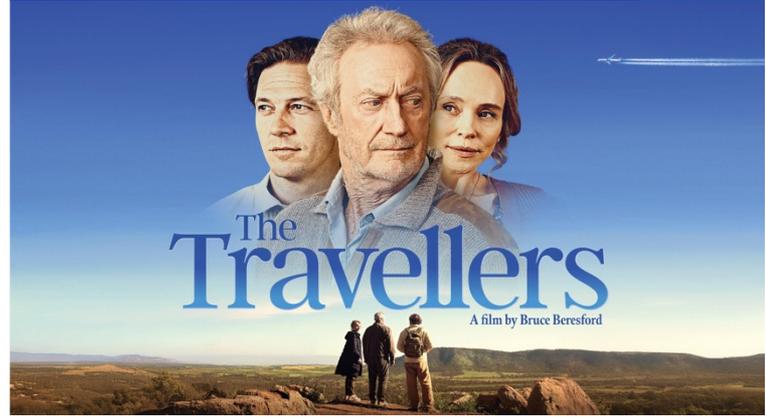


18+ Event

St Augustine's Hall, 56 Racecourse Road

Polio Movie Event  
6pm, Mon 20 Oct 2025

END  
POLIO  
NOW



Polio Movie Events raise funds for Rotary's number one priority, Ending Polio. Rotary International, with SONY PICTURES, have this year secured an exciting new Australian movie release *The Travellers*.

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 the Rotary Clubs of Brisbane and Paddington.

Rotary  
Club of New Farm



A Rotary Vocational Service Project

## PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARD

Rotary Club of New Farm invites you, your family and friends to join us in recognising employees and small businesses in our community.

WEDNESDAY  
22nd  
October

Stratton Bar & Kitchen  
3 Stratton Street, Newstead

\$70 Per Person  
BOOK NOW

6.00pm: Pre-dinner Drinks at Own Cost - Cash Bar  
6.30pm - 9.30pm: 2 Course Meal and Awards Ceremony

Dress Code: Smart Casual

Enquiries: [newfarmrotary@gmail.com](mailto:newfarmrotary@gmail.com)

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ROTARY CLUB OF  
WYNNUM AND MANLY  
INVITES YOU TO:

## ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER

Guest Speaker - PDG Wendy Protheroe  
Director, The Rotary Foundation, Australia

2025

WEDNESDAY | 22 | OCTOBER

6 for 6:30pm

WYNNUM GOLF CLUB  
76 STRADBROKE AVE, WYNNUM

COST: \$55 per person, Pre-pay through the Events page on the Club Website at

<https://rcwm.org/events/rotary-foundation-dinner-2025/>

RSVP TO TRACEY  
TJW1601@GMAIL.COM BY 13 OCTOBER

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

# 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
<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b> King's B'Day 6-Oct	Kinross Cluster Meeting 9-Oct
<b>Club Meeting</b> Bring A Guest 16-Oct	
Movie Night Polio Fundraiser \$25pp 20-Oct 6-9pm	Poetry Night \$35pp 23-Oct 6.30pm
<b>World Polio Day</b> 24-Oct	Board Meeting 27-Oct

### NOVEMBER

*Rotary Foundation Month*

Art Show 2026 Preparation	Dinner Social TBC
<b>World Interact Day</b> 5-Nov	Pretty Woman The Musical QPAC 12-Nov
<b>Club Meeting</b> Bring a Guest 20-Nov	Board Meeting 24-Nov
Coffee Brigade Fundraising Breakfast 25-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
<b>Assisted By:</b>	
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
<b>Thu 16 Oct</b>	Dyls B	Kit B
<b>Thu 23 Oct</b>	Kerstin B	Dyls B
<b>Thu 30 Oct</b>	Ann Maree Bu	Kerstin B
<b>Thu 06 Nov</b>	Tom D	Ann Maree Bu
<b>Thu 13 Nov</b>	Robyn D	Tom D
<b>Thu 20 Nov</b>	Jennifer E	Robyn D



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



An update from Lindsay on the Oceans to Outback Challenge:

*So far, on the spin trainer, I have travelled 295 kms in 9 countries on virtual courses, all flat of course, plus a Mt Coot-tha walk. Muscle memory slowly creeping back after 3 years off the bike but cushion at work may still be an option. Indoor trainer is harder than being on the road but at least I won't have to contend with head winds, wet weather days nor magpies. 😊*

*As an aside, if Russell and I were riding as a relay, tracking the distances covered by the RideWest crews, we both have surpassed 500 kms and the day 3 stop at Roma.*

**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:

**Rotary Club of Seattle**



**More than just sugar and spice** 🍪🌀

**Jerilyn Brusseau**, one of the original creators of Cinnabon's iconic cinnamon rolls, has a story that goes far beyond the kitchen.

A longtime member of the [Rotary Club of Seattle](#), she's worked to build peace in rural communities in Vietnam and started her not for profit, [Peacetrees Vietnam](#).

Peacetrees works in clearing land mines and unexploded bombs that were left in the aftermath of the Vietnam War. The organization has provided 335 scholarships for Vietnam children, 44,000 trees have been planted and 5,500 acres have been cleared of unexploded bombs.

Rotary Clubs have made large contributions to the efforts of Peacetrees over the years.