



HOT AIR

19 June 2025 — Rotary Fellowship Month

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International Toast:
Rotary Club of
Suva East
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The Presidential Point:

We had a great talk on Thursday from Brendan & Sally from Shadford Financial. Brendan kept it simple and as Sally said in her answers to questions: financial planning is simple if you follow the market and not the media!! It was great to have them in the room to thank them for their sponsorship of the Art Show.

At the meeting we also had a late recipient of a Pride of Workmanship award - Alison from Kedron High. Wendy Protehroe was very proud to introduce Alison, a wonderful music teacher to Wendy's grandchildren along with others. Alison told us it wasn't her aim to make musicians out of the students but to enthuse them for a love of music. Alison was on holidays when we had our original Pride of Workmanship Award breakfast so art was great to be able to have her at our meeting and present the award.

There was some unspent District grant money, \$1,500, so we applied for it to buy some Disposable Towels for 3rd Space, and we were successful.

As always Rotary shows it's agility: Two weeks out the incoming Rotary International President had to step down from taking up his position, so instead RI has just announced that Francesco Arezzo of Italy as the new President.

Jane Andersen

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 19 Jun Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - [RSVP](#)**
Billy Murphy, Coffee Brigade
- ~~Thu 26 Jun~~ No Meeting – Changeover Instead**
- Fri 27 Jun Changeover at Tattersalls Club**
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- Thu 03 Jul Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - [RSVP](#)**
Paddington Rotaract – Project RISE
- Thu 10 Jul Joint Meeting with Paddington Club - [RSVP](#)**
Art Show Training @ United Service Club
- ~~Thu 17 Jul~~ NO MEETING – ART SHOW GALA**
- Thu 24 Jul Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club - [RSVP](#)**
Amanda Jackes, Woodfordia

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

This Week's Guest Speaker



Billie Murphy, Coffee Brigade

Coffee Brigade are one of the beneficiaries of our 2025 Brisbane Rotary Art Show

Billie is an educator and experienced General Manager, bringing close to a decade of experience in not-for-profit. She has travelled the world as General Manager of SolarBuddy, providing clean, renewable lighting solutions to communities in some of the most developing countries and is passionate about social impact and supporting communities in need.

Drawn to Coffee Brigade's legacy and hands-on impact, she took on the GM role 6 months ago. Billie is committed to delivering exceptional service and impactful programs with Coffee Brigade. She believes in the power of education to inspire others to become changemakers and create a positive difference in the world.

Billie has a Bachelor of Biological Sciences and a Master of Education from The University of Leeds.

Last Week's Meeting

This week we welcomed our Pride of Workmanship awardee Alyson van Galen. Alyson is a Music Instrument Specialist at Kedron State High School.

We recognised Alyson for the positive change she has made in the lives of students over many years as she motivates and inspires them to enjoy all that music can bring. She influences not only the students but also the parent support group and sets the tone for the music program.

Alyson epitomises what we look for in our Pride of Workmanship Awardees with her consistently outstanding commitment to her career. Two of her colleagues, Sarah and Tamsin, came along to the morning with her.



Pride of Workmanship Awardee Alyson, colleagues Tasmin & Sarah and Wendy Protheroe

Wendy Protheroe



Phil Gough & Brendan Ketter
(Guest Speaker from Shadforth)



Lindsay Marshall & Greg Beard



David Bunce, Anne Marree Buttner & Margot Baillie



Rob O'Donovan & guest



Yvonne Todd & Bruce McNaught
(RC Brisbane)



Sally Huynh (Guest Speaker from Shadforth) not winning the Joker Draw

This Edition Comes to you From..

Greetings from Cobbold Gorge – a stunning gorge with a glass bridge (Thanks for the suggestion Jane) **Ed**



Rotary



Club of Brisbane High Rise



President Elect, Greg Beard,
would like to invite you, your
partner, and guests to the

32nd Change Over Dinner

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



Jane



Greg

**UNITE
FOR
GOOD**



WHEN: Friday, 27th June 6.30-9.30pm

WHERE: Tattersalls Club, 215 Queen St, Brisbane

RSVP: by 20 June to Rosemary Meadows &
advise if any dietary requirements

EMAIL: apologies@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com

DRESS CODE: Business Dress



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This is a very moving service and worth attending. After the service they have a nice lunch at the Broadbeach Bowls club and Nova Peris should be an interesting guest speaker. **Margot Baillie**



The President, Committee and Members of the Rotary Club of Broadwater Southport are pleased to advise the following for your Diaries:

DATE CLAIMER

83rd ANNIVERSARY
KOKODA DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE
at the
ROTARY KOKODA MEMORIAL WALL

on

Friday, 8 August 2025

Meet and greet from 10:00 am
Service commences at 10:30 am

Board Members 2024-25

President	Jane Andersen
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Secretary	Jennifer Eathorne
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Rotary Foundation	Susan Rix
Youth	Loretta Lynch

Assisted By:

Fellowship	Margot Baillie
Speaker Program	Dyls Bertelsen
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*

	Setup, Greeter & Closedown	Chair
Thu 19 Jun	Bill P	Greg P
Thu 26 Jun	No Meeting – Changeover Instead	
Thu 03 Jul	Greg P (for Russell P)	Bill P
Thu 10 Jul	Wendy P	Greg P P (for Russell P)
Thu 17 Jul	No Meeting – Changeover Instead	
Thu 24 Jul	Susan R	Wendy P
Thu 31 Jul	Yvonne R	Susan R

International Toast



From: **Rotary Suva East** <rotarysuvaeastfiji@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Jun 8, 2025 at 8:12 AM

Subject: A toast to your club

Fellow Rotarians from Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise:

Bula vinaka and warm greetings from the Rotary Club of Suva East.

We hope this message finds you well and that your club is thriving. We wanted to share a moment from our recent meeting. During our traditional Rotary toast, we acknowledged the inspiring work you all continue to do and the wonderful spirit of fellowship you represent. It was a small gesture, but one that came from the heart.

We truly believe that fostering strong connections between Rotary clubs, both near and far, helps to strengthen the global spirit of Rotary and the remarkable impact we can achieve together through service.

If your travels or meetings ever bring you to our part of the world, we would be absolutely delighted to welcome you as our guests.

In Rotary Service,

Swasti Narayan

Secretary

Rotary Club of Suva East