

HOT AIR

20 Mar 2025 — Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Month

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The Presidential Point:

Due to Cyclone Alfred, last week's guest speaker Billie Murphy, the CEO of Coffee Brigade, was unable to attend. They had not been able to get out to their clients for a few days so Billie wanted to go around with the van once when they resumed service. Dyls is working with her to set another date.

At the last moment Rosemary, Craig and Wendy stepped in to tell about their lives and how they got to this point. As always they were great stories to hear. A special thanks to them for stepping in so graciously.

We had a great meeting for the Art Show during the week. Both clubs are working hard to ensure this year is both a wonderful show as well as a successful fundraiser. Please help the clubs meet their target by thinking of who you know that you could ask for a sponsorship – there are many levels of sponsorship available from artwork panels to the full show naming rights. The sponsorship team are ready to make the contact – simply give them the details and they will follow up.

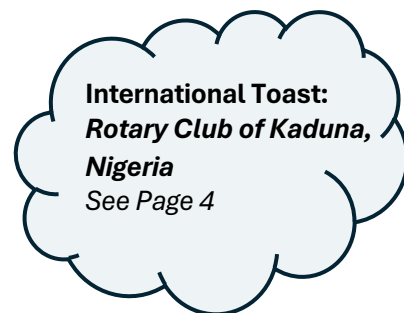
On Sunday there was a fun fellowship outing to Anne Maree and John Buttner's home for the wine tasting, with wonderful commentary from Anne Maree. A great way to spend an afternoon - many thanks to our very gracious hosts.

Our Pride of Workmanship Awards presentations are coming up on 10 April – please think about someone who deserves to be recognised, and get those nominations to Rosemary now – more info on Page 4.

Jane Andersen

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 20 Mar** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Ann Maree Buttner - Lorraine Coghlan Tennis Story
- Thu 27 Mar** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Club Assembly
- Thu 03 Apr** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Yvonne Todd, Photography
- Thu 10 Apr** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Pride of Workmanship Awards
- Sun 13 Apr** **District Tree Planting** - [RSVP](#)
Whites Hill Reserve, Camp Hill
- Thu 17 Apr** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Easter meeting – Very Rev Dr Adrian Farrelly
- Thu 24 Apr** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Club Assembly
- Thu 01 May** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)
Michael Eather, FireWorks Gallery

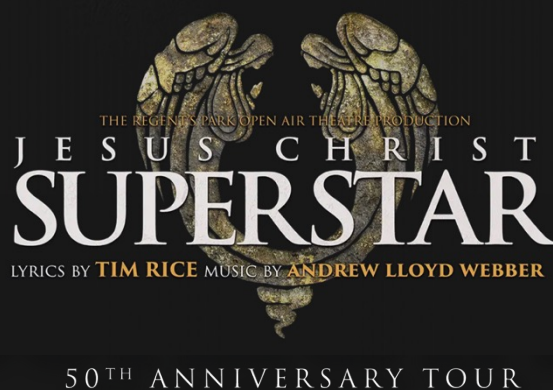


This Week's Guest Speaker

Anne Maree Buttner will talk about her mother, Lorraine Coghlan, and Lorraine's tennis story playing in the amateur years of tennis (1950's).

Anne Maree's book – *From Warrnambool to Wimbledon & beyond : the Lorraine Coghlan Story* – is an inspiring account of the first Australian woman to win a Wimbledon title. From humble beginnings growing up in country Victoria, it's the story of how Lorraine Coghlan's name came to be on the Wimbledon honour board, and many others all over Europe and Australia. In an era when winning players received a commemorative silver plate and the other competitors a 'Thanks for coming', it provides a stark contrast to modern professional tennis. Admired as much for her achievements off the court, it is also the story of a life filled with personal tragedy and how endless drive, determination and a positive attitude can triumph over adversity.

Date Claimer – 01 Aug 25



I've locked in a group booking for Jesus Christ Superstar at QPAC Lyric Theatre, 7:30pm Friday 1st August.
Tickets \$135.00 — RSVP to Susan.Rix@bdo.com.au
We can meet prior and have dinner together.

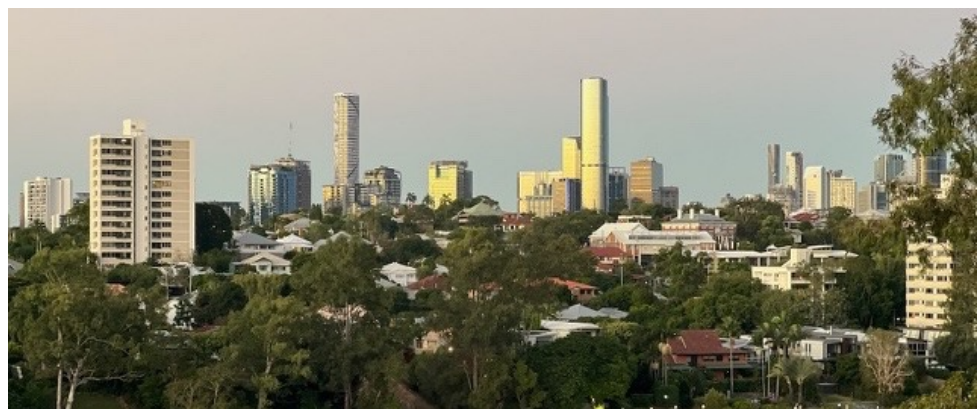
Susan Rix

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

Last Week's Meeting



Wine Tasting – Sunday 16 Mar 25





Pride of Workmanship Awards

The Pride of Workmanship awards are a Rotary program recognising members of our community who display outstanding qualities in their approach, attitude, dedication and commitment in their role. Each year our club makes several awards to those nominated by club members.

Examples of recent High-rise Awards were presented to Tomra Recycling station, Braille House, United Service Club staff members and other local businesses – see photos below.

Our next presentation will be at our meeting on Thursday 10 April. So now is the time to nominate someone – to nominate send me who they are and why you believe they are outstanding – click [here](#) to email those details to me.

Nominations close Monday 28 March..

Rosemary Meadows



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D9620 Tree Planting Challenge – Sun 13 April



DG Sue Mulraney has agreed to another D9620 Tree Planting Challenge Day this year: **9am – 11am Sunday 13 April 2025.**

April is Environment Month and participating in this event allows Clubs to contribute to Rotary's latest area of focus **Supporting the Environment.**

Brisbane City Council's Offsets and Restoration Team has once again offered a venue - this year's planting will be at **Whites Hill Reserve, Boundary Rd, Camp Hill.**

Contact David Bunce if you are interested in attending.

International Toast

This week is we are celebrating the:
Rotary Club of Kaduna, Nigeria



A year after installing a borehole well and toilet at a primary school, members of the Rotary Club of Kaduna returned to satisfy another infrastructure need: "The school was without desks at the time of a needs assessment, and the children were sitting on the floor", Club President Portia Stephanie Aji says.

A solution was at hand: School leaders had saved pieces of old furniture, and club members refashioned salvageable materials into desks and chairs. The club partnered with businesses and groups to provide the students with backpacks, dictionaries, notebooks, pens, and chalk at a hand-over ceremony in September during Rotary's Basic Education and Literacy Month.

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 Thu 20 Mar	Deb Le G	Loretta L
Thu 27 Mar	Loretta L	Phil G
Thu 03 Apr	Phil G	Bill L
Thu 10 Apr	Bill L	Ken M
Thu 17 Apr	Ken M	Lindsay M