



# HOT AIR

27 Feb 2025 — Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

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**International Toast:**  
**Rotary Club of**  
**Las Vegas Summerlin,**  
**Nevada USA**  
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### The Presidential Point:

What a meeting last week with over 60 people in attendance. Once again a great presentation from Gemma giving us an update on St Jude's. Isn't it wonderful to hear that the Alumni is becoming a force in the support of the school and individual students.

Congratulations to Susan Rix AM who has been inducted as a Life Member of Chartered Accountants Australia New Zealand. Only 40 special people have been elevated into this "club", out of over 40,000 members.

I have had a message from the organizer of Shelterbags. You would recall that through the generosity of you, our members, we were able to purchase a number of these which are to be distributed by 3rd Space. They were due to be delivered around this time, but are running a little late – we still expect to have them in time to be distributed for use in winter.

**Jane Anderson**

### Mette Meets Rugby



*Mette, Lisa & Lindsay Marshall*

Mette received a crash course on rugby union to watch the home team win!

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 27 Feb** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)  
Club Assembly
- Thu 06 Mar** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)  
Michael Eather, FireWorks Gallery
- Thu 13 Mar** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)  
Billie Murphy, Coffee Brigade
- Sun 16 Mar** **Wine Tasting, 4pm @ St Lucia** - [RSVP](#)  
Ann Maree Buttner
- 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](#)
- Thu 10 Apr** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** - [RSVP](#)  
Pride of Workmanship Awards

### Wine Tasting, Sunday 16 Mar 24



Anne-Maree Buttner has kindly invited us to take part in a guided wine tasting at her home in Macquarie St Lucia on the afternoon of Sunday the 16th of March from 4pm to 6pm.

She will guide us through a selection of 4 Australian wines, highlighting the characteristics of each of the wines. \$35 pp for the wines and antipasto platters to accompany the wines. RSVP by 6th of March to: [annembuttner@gmail.com](mailto:annembuttner@gmail.com)

There is good street parking available but if you don't want to drive then both the City Cat Guyatt Park stop and Bus number 412 stop are about 300m away.



## Last Week's Meeting:

Once again we were the recipients of an inspiring talk by Gemma Sisia on the evolution of St Jude's, and by John Stanley, one of her alumni. And then Gemma lead us to her next phase...

**Turtles** - the analogy is that the students that St Jude's has sent out into the world will start returning. They now have many graduates from the school working locally and in other parts of Tanzania, and are now coming across them, as Gemma has a few times in her life outside school (hospital visits...etc). The turtles are now also supporting new students to the school.

**The Next Frontier** - this will focus on the alumni, and provide initiatives in:

- Employment support
- Alumni engagement to keep them connected with St Jude's and one another
- International scholarships for our secondary school graduates
- Incubator and small grants program for budding entrepreneurs
- Alumni Spirit program to promote different ways to give
- Medical equipment for local medical clinics to support students, staff healthcare, etc.

St Jude's has made huge inroads in Tanzania by educating an ever increasing number of the poorest but brightest kids. Along the way the ripples of benefits to the community have been there and growing. Now they are seeing those ripples reach further and more deeply than ever before. Watch out for the steadily increasing impact the students and alumni will have.





## Last Week's Meeting:



## An invitation from Maheno School

**150TH JUBILEE**



### ORDER OF EVENTS

COSTS TO ATTEND:  
FRIDAY EVENTS & SATURDAY DAY TIME EVENTS: \$40  
SATURDAY EVENING ONLY: \$100  
WHOLE WEEKEND OF EVENTS: \$130

#### FRIDAY 11TH APRIL

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| 1.30-3.00PM    | SCHOOL VISIT, WALK AROUND SCHOOL & SPECIAL ASSEMBLY        |
| 6.00PM ONWARDS | REGISTRATIONS AT MAHENO HALL WITH DRINKS & SUPPER PROVIDED |

#### SATURDAY 12TH APRIL

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| 11.00AM        | LATE SIGN IN FOR REGISTRATIONS                         |
| 12.30PM        | LUNCH  |
| 1.00PM-4.00PM  | PHOTOS, CAKE CUTTING, TREE PLANTING & AFTERNOON TEA    |
| 6.00PM ONWARDS | DINNER AT THE LOAN & MERC WITH SPEECHES & OPEN MEMOIRS |

#### SUNDAY 13TH APRIL

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| 9.00AM | CHURCH SERVICE AT ST ANDREWS |
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*If there is anything else you'd like to know let me know. I'm also happy to do a few tourist things in between events so you can all have a look around Oamaru too.*

*Ngā mihi - Stella Macrae,  
Principal, Maheno School*



**A trip to NZ for this is being planned.  
Contact Russell Postle**





## Annual Community Dinner

**INVITE**

**Rotary**  
Club of New Farm

**Join Us for the**  
**Rotary Club of New Farm's**  
**Annual Community Dinner**

**WEDNESDAY,**  
**5TH MARCH 2025**


✓ **COST: \$68 PP**

✓ **GUEST SPEAKERS:**  
**KATE CROWLEY-SMITH**  
Founder of the Charity Broken to Brilliant  
**VANESSA FOWLER**  
Chair of the Board of Directors  
The Allison Baden-Clay Foundation






Be part of a meaningful evening as we come together to support an important cause. This year, funds raised will go towards the Forums of Saying No to Domestic Violence and Yes to Respect, empowering our community to foster respect, safety, and positive change.

✓ **RAFFLES & AUCTION**  
✓ **STRATTON BAR & KITCHEN**  
✓ **3 STRATTON ST, NEWSTEAD**

Enjoy a delicious meal, connect with others, and make a difference in the lives of those who need it most. Together, we can create a more respectful community.

 [Tickets](#)

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Please RSVP to:  
[secretary.newfarm@rotary9620.org](mailto:secretary.newfarm@rotary9620.org)

RECIPIENT OF FUNDS RAISED:  
SAYING NO TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & YES TO RESPECT



3RD SPACE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

## Gala Dinner

GUEST SPEAKER: TRENT DALTON

THE CALILE HOTEL  
6:00-10:00PM

\$280PP / \$2,600 TABLE OF 10

BUSINESS ATTIRE

**2025 marks the 50th Anniversary of 3rd Space** and we would like to invite you to celebrate this momentous occasion with us at our **Gala Dinner on Thursday 27 March 2025 at The Calile Hotel.**

Enjoy an evening filled with entertainment, raffles and auctions.

Our Anniversary Gala Dinner will be an opportunity for us to not only recognise the achievements of 3rd Space over the past 50 years, but also raise much needed funds to continue the activities provided by 3rd Space to those experiencing, or at risk of, homelessness.

## International Toast

This week is we are celebrating the:  
**Rotary Club of Las Vegas Summerlin,**  
**Nevada USA**



District 5300 has provided homes for dozens of families in northern Mexico since 2008 through a tradition it calls "super builds," a yearly day of construction by Rotary members from California and Nevada. The 16-by-20-foot homes are built through a partnership with the California-based nonprofit [Corazón](#). The \$18,500 cost per family pays for materials as well as school uniforms, books, and scholarships, says Robin Smith, of the **Rotary Club of Las Vegas Summerlin**, which has coordinated the initiative for nearly a decade. "There are clubs that give monetarily," she says. "There are also clubs that physically build the homes. Then we have clubs that are able to do both." The 2025 build is scheduled for 3 May.

## 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 27 Feb	Robyn D
Thu 6 Mar	Jennifer E
Thu 13 Mar	Helen F
Thu 20 Mar	Deb Le G
Thu 27 Mar	Loretta L
Thu 03 Apr	Phil G
Thu 10 Apr	Bill L

## Board Members 2024-25

President	Jane Andersen
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Treasurer	Cindy Kemp
Community Projects	David Bunce
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Membership	Deb Le Garde
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Rotary Foundation	Susan Rix
Youth	Loretta Lynch
<b>Assisted By:</b>	
Fellowship	Margot Baillie
Speaker Program	Dyls Bertelsen
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