



HOT AIR

23 July 2026 — Maternal & Child Health Month

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The President's Post

What Was

This past week it was wonderful to join our friends from Paddington Club for our combined meeting and to welcome Sivaq Prasad Pillai, who shared the story of [Rotary's International Travel and Hosting Fellowship](#). Hearing how friendships are formed across more than 80 countries was a lovely reminder that Rotary can be anything you want. It truly is a global family, connected through service, fellowship and shared experiences.

I would also like to appreciate the members who have raised their hands to be on a roster for taking our club morning meeting fees, so that we can share that role as we all adapt to our latest Rotary year!

What Is

Our **Brisbane Rotary Art Show** is now in full swing, and what an exciting time it is for our club! A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has already volunteered their time helping with setup, welcoming visitors and supporting this incredible event. If you still have some time to spare, there are still opportunities to lend a hand over the coming days. Every conversation, every shift and every smiling face helps make our Art Show the success it has become. Thank you for continuing to showcase the very best of Rotary Brisbane High-Rise.

What Will Be

Our meeting this week is for fellowship, ideas and the Board Meeting. Our commitment to the United Services Club includes a minimum requirement and because we were away this week, its important to be back on the 23rd. What I would love to see from our club is a willingness to try! The format might not work - having the Board Meeting running while our members come together to put forward feedback, ideas, best practice (and opinions!) but I would very much appreciate the effort from everyone who can give it a try. Of course, if you are not there, then you might be volunteering at the Art Show (hint hint)!

In Fellowship & Service, Cindy Kemp

Upcoming Meetings & Events

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| Thu 23 Jul | Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – RSVP
Club Assembly & Board Meeting |
| Thu 23 Jul | YoungCare event at Art Show |
| Sun26 Jul | ARTiculate event at Art Show |
| Thu 30 Jul | Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – RSVP
Catherine Baxter, BCC Transport
<i>Bus and ferry operations at Brisbane City Council</i> |
| Thu 06 Aug | Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – RSVP
Donelle Whiteley, Chair of Rotary Health D9620
<i>Rotary Health - Lift the Lid on Mental Health</i> |

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, the Yuggera and Turrbal people, and pay our respect to their elders past and present.

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



The Art Show Is On!

The art show is off to a stunning start in every respect!

The artwork delivery and setup went off without a hitch on Saturday and the show looks stunning. On Sunday we had the Judging in the morning, followed by the VIP preview and capped off by *Vernissage* – the Artists and Sponsor preview - where we announced the winners. The buzz was fantastic and great feedback received from everyone.

Monday was our first public day and we had lots of people around and quite a few sales. People who missed out on their preferred work last year were in early to grab a piece this year. At the end of the day **Coffee Brigade** had their supporter and sponsor viewing.

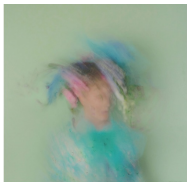
Sales are ahead of target at over \$87k and powering on.

Gala Tuesday night (21st), YoungCare event on Thursday night (23rd) ARTiculate on Sunday (26th) - lots of events happening! And we are open until Friday 31st.

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Best of Show 2026 - Rose Velvet by Archer Davies



2026 SPONSORS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

EXHIBITION JULY 20-31

GALA EVENT JULY 21

ARTICULATE JULY 26

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Also **Special Thanks** to the **Pronk Family**, our very generous **Major Donor**

Last Week's Meeting



Joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Paddington at their venue

Art Show – Receiving and Setup



Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

Calendar 2026-2027

Activities outside of Club Meetings

JULY

Maternal & Child Health Month

Third Space Working Bee- (9am-12noon)
4/7/2026

District Change Over
at USC 11am-3pm
5/7/2026

Combined meeting with
Paddington Club -Art
Show training at Wests
Rugby 16/07/2026

Art Show Set Up
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
18/07/2026 🧑🏻

"Vernissage" Art Show
Event **INVITE ONLY**
19/07/2026 🧑🏻

Coffee Brigade
Sandwich
Makers
20/7/2026 🧑🏻

Art Show Viewing
Days 🧑🏻

Art Show Gala
Cocktail Party
21/07/2026 🧑🏻

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
20/7/26 -31/7/2026

ARTiculate Event
Meet the Artists, Wine
& Cheese Event 🧑🏻

First 2026-2027
Board Meeting
Date & Venue
To be Confirmed

26/07/2026 2-4pm

AUGUST

Membership & New Club Development Month

Brisbane Rotary Art
Show Pack Up
Volunteers needed
1/8/2026

Coffee Brigade
Sandwich
Makers
17/8/2026 🧑🏻

Possible Wine Labelling/
Joker Draw Social
Event
To be Confirmed

Board Meeting
Date & Venue
To be Confirmed

KEY:

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

Board Members 2026-27

President	Cindy Kemp
Past President	Greg Beard
President Elect	Ann Maree Buttner
Secretary	Ann Maree Buttner
Treasurer	<i>Taking applications</i>
Community Projects	Jane Andersen
Marketing	<i>Taking applications</i>
Membership	Deb Le Garde
Rotary Foundation	Susan Rix
Youth	<i>Taking applications</i>
Assisted By:	
Rotaract Liaisons	David Bunce & Lindsay Marshall
Fellowship	Margot Baillie
Speaker Liaison	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 23 Jul Ann Maree Bu	David B
Thu 30 Jul Robyn D	Ann Maree Bu
Thu 06 Aug Jennifer E	Robyn D
Thu 13 Aug Helen F	Jennifer E
Thu 13 Aug Phil G	Helen F

Rotaract Clubs of Paddington & RiverCity Combined Changeover

You're Invited — Rotaract Paddington × RiverCity Joint Changeover | 26 July

Good Evening,

It's with great pleasure that the Rotaract Club of Paddington, alongside the Rotaract Club of RiverCity, invites you to our **Joint Changeover Ceremony**, celebrating the year that's been and welcoming in the new leadership for both clubs.

Date: Sunday, 26 July 2026

Time: 2pm-7pm

Venue: [534 Samford Road, Mitchelton, QLD 4053](#)

This year has been one of genuine impact. From community projects to new friendships forged across both clubs, we'd love for you to be part of the night as we hand over the reins to our incoming Presidents and Boards.

The evening will include:

- Guest speakers and outgoing/incoming President addresses
- Award presentations
- A raffle
- Plenty of finger food as well

Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/26-27-brisbane-rivercity-and-rotaract-paddington-combined-changeover>

Early Bird tickets are only \$29 but the tickets are limited.

We can't wait to celebrate this milestone with you. Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

Kind regards,

Callum Mitchell (He/Him)

President 2025-2026

Rotaract Paddington

Rotaract
Club of Paddington



International Toast

This week we are celebrating:

The Rotary clubs in Lahaina, Maui, Hawaii, USA



The deadliest U.S. wildfire in a century killed more than 100 people and destroyed thousands of homes and businesses on the Hawaiian island of Maui in August 2023.

Searching for healing and reflection, the community group Aloha Amplified organized a twilight walk and ceremony this past September, supported by District 5000's fire relief fund and the three **Rotary clubs in Lahaina**.

Hundreds of people carried lanterns along a milelong route, joining together at the end in the revered song "Hawai'i Aloha." The event featured cultural entertainment and booths staffed by local groups, including Rotary clubs. Rotarians, many of whom lost their own homes and businesses, also volunteered at the event. "People know Rotary in Lahaina," says Joanne Laird, of the Rotary Club of Lahaina Sunset.

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