



HOT AIR

29 October 2026 — Community Economic and Development Month

hotair@rotarybrisbanehighrise.com



The President's Post

What Was

Last week we came together for our Club Assembly, with an End Polio Now quick fundraiser. We were able to hear from PDG Wendy Protheroe about the upcoming schedule of events for the Arch Klumph Society, Zone 8 and PNG activities and more on the amazing work of Rotary. We are grateful to have Wendy as a member of our club. Our Quick Quiz Fundraiser was fun for all and next week we can announce how much we raised.

What Is

Our Oceans to Outback team is continuing its October challenge in support of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Russell Postle, Lindsay Marshall and Alex Griffiths are going the extra distance to help more people access the care they need. It is wonderful to see our members supporting such worthwhile community initiatives and creating a lasting impact beyond our regular meetings. If you would like to support their efforts, you can find their fundraising links in this issue of Hot Air.

What Will Be

This week we are delighted to welcome Judy Smith, State President and War Widow Director of Australian War Widows Queensland. Judy began her career as a registered nurse and midwife and has dedicated many years to community service and leadership. Since joining Australian War Widows Queensland in 2013, following the passing of her husband, a World War II veteran, she has been a strong advocate for war widows and their families, ensuring the service and sacrifice of veterans are honoured and remembered. I look forward to hearing Judy's story and learning more about this important work, and I hope you can join us for what promises to be a meaningful morning.

In Fellowship & Service, Cindy Kemp

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 29 Oct** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** – [RSVP](#)
Judy Smith, State President, War Widows Qld
- Thu 05 Nov** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** – [RSVP](#)
Dr John Arvier – School of St Jude's Spoken English Immersion Program
- Wed 11 Nov** **World Polio Day Fundraiser Film Screening**
Guided by Horses – [Click to book](#)
- Thu 12 Nov** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** – [RSVP](#)
Jessica Reid – Brisbane Organising Committee for the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games
- Sun 15 Nov** **Croquet Under Lights** – [RSVP](#)
Joint event with Rotary Club of Paddington
- Thu 19 Nov** **Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club** – [RSVP](#)
Ian Walker (Board of QPAC, Tatts Club & Chair of Tattersall's Art Show judging panel) – The runway to the Cultural Olympiad

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.

Lindsay Marshall, Russell Postle & Alex Griffiths

are once again
supporting the RFDS
through the
Oceans to Outback
October challenge

 **RFDS**
OCEANS to
OUTBACK



They are taking on the month-long fitness challenge to help more people access the care they need. By going further, they hope to raise as much as possible for the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS).

To support each of them click on the links below:

[Lindsay Marshall](#)

[Russell Postle](#)

[Alex Griffiths](#)

Croquet Under Lights

Sunday Evening - 15 Nov 26

Joint event with the Rotary Club of Paddington

Come join us for a fun and relaxed social event, learning to play croquet - includes croquet & snacks. BYO drinks. We will order pizza dinner (additional cost). Bring along the whole family with the bonus that Sunday dinner is sorted!

Sunday 15 Nov 26 from 5 to 8pm

Stephens Croquet Club, in Yeronga Memorial Park
enter from Frederic St, which is off Villa St, Yeronga

\$10 per head (plus pizza).

Children under 10 are welcome but can't play on the courts - there is other smaller gear they can use off the courts.



[RSVP to Margot Baillie](#)



Coffee Brigade



Helen Fox, Yvonne Robson, Loretta Lynch & Helen's daughter Sarah making sandwiches - Sarah was back after a 6 am shift making muffins with her son!

A Reminder - please add some items to your shopping list and bring them to our meetings:

- Small tins of tuna
- Small tins of baked beans
- Small tins of spaghetti
- Muesli bars
- Coffee sachets

Jane & Robyn



COFFEE BRIGADE - it's not just the coffee & food - it's the kindness



International Traveller – Dubai

I attended two Rotary meetings in Dubai last week on 12 and 13 of October – the Rotary Club of Dubai and the Rotary Club of Palm Dubai. Both clubs meet every fortnight.

The pictures of of the Rotary Club of Palm Dubai meeting at the Westin Hotel which I attended with my son.

Both meetings included the taking of progress pictures during the meeting and numerous short presentations by members and guests and had over 40 attendees including 6-8 visiting Rotarians and visitors. They were evening meetings commencing at 7:30 pm with formal

Meeting Attendees Photograph of Rotary Club of Palm Dubai 13 October 2026

Roly Wells



A presentation on UAE investment opportunities

Receiving a Club banner from the Rotary Club of Palm Dubai President.



GUIDED BY HORSES

THE YAMADA SHOWS US HOW WE CAN BE

A combined Rotary event:

- Rotary Club of Brisbane
- Rotary Club of Paddington
- Rotary Club of Brisbane High-Rise

Join us at the special event of this inspirational and heartwarming story!

From 6 pm on
Wednesday, 11 November 2026
Red Hill Cinemas
14 Enoggera Tce
Red Hill 4059

Tickets \$25 Adults, \$20 Children includes
Movie & Polio Donation
Use QR Code to book.

SPECIAL EVENT

Rotary  

A celebration of 25 Years
of Rotary's global
sponsorship of Peace
Fellows

**Join us for a Gala Dinner
Celebration**

Customs House
Brisbane, Australia

Friday 5 March 2027
6:00 PM to 10:30 PM
\$245 per person

events.humanitix.com/rotary-peace-gala

**DISTRICT 9620
CONFERENCE**

 **2027**

IMPACT • EMPOWER • CREATE

Rotary District 9620 Conference 2027

March 12 - 14, 2027

The Pavilion Conference and Reception Centre, Gympie

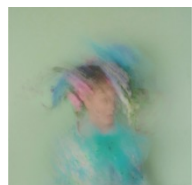
Special Guest

2026-7 Rotary Foundation Chair
PRIP Jennifer Jones

**Information on full
Peace Fellows Program**

University of Queensland
website

<https://rotary.centre.uq.edu.au/>



2026 SPONSORS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

EXHIBITION JULY 20-31

GALA EVENT JULY 21

ARTICULATE JULY 26

WWW.ROTARYART.AU



PITCHER
PARTNERS



HUTCHINSON
BUILDERS

Established 1912



Dedicated to a better Brisbane

watch

TRIBECA

the  village
RETIREMENT GROUP



PREKARO
PROJECTS

Baihn Construction

shadforth

 **dma** partners
Making Property Profitable

ORD MINNETT



charlie.
we find a way

BOOKKEEPING
Institute of Australia



wtw



CAROLINE
BROWN
Property

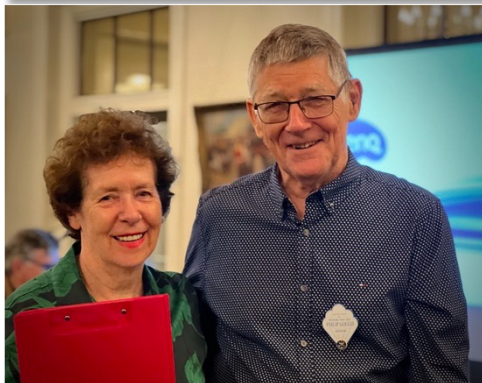


CBRE
In support of ISPT

GYMPIE WEB DESIGN 

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

Last Week's Meeting



Bill Margot Baillie & Phil Gough



Wendy Protheroe



Lindsay Marshall & Greg Pearson



Cindy Kemp receiving two banners from Roly Wells:
Rotary Club of Palm Dubai & Rotary Club of Dubai



Steve Knight (winning the Joker Draw!)
& Deb Le Garde

Board Members 2026-27

President	Cindy Kemp
Past President	Greg Beard
President Elect	Ann Maree Buttner
Secretary	Ann Maree Buttner
Treasurer	Loretta Lynch
Community Projects	Jane Andersen
Marketing	Taking applications
Membership	Deb Le Garde
Rotary Foundation	Susan Rix
Youth	Taking applications
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 on the day then
it's your responsibility to arrange a replacement

Setup, Greeter, Closedown	Chair	Cashier
Thu 29 Oct	Steve S	Yvonne R
Thu 05 Nov	Craig W	Steve S
Thu 12 Nov	Roly W	Craig W
Thu 19 Nov	Matt W	Roly W
Thu 26 Nov	Andrew A	Matt W
Thu 03 Dec	Jane A	Andrew A

International Toast

This week we are celebrating:
The Rotaract Club of La Paz, Bolivia



The Rotaract Club of La Paz, in collaboration with local Interactors, hosted Paws Against Polio, a lively community fair and dog show dedicated to raising funds and awareness for polio eradication. Visitors enjoyed educational carnival-style games about polio eradication, a bake sale, a dog adoption booth in partnership with a local animal shelter, and raffle drawings that awarded Rotaract merchandise and souvenirs.

"The highlight was the dog parade," says Cristhofer Mamani Quispe, the club's president, "where registered furry participants competed for prizes — including veterinary consultations and dog-friendly cakes — for the cutest outfits and best tricks."

Throughout the day, volunteers shared information about Rotary's global efforts to eradicate polio and encouraged attendees to support the campaign.