



HOT AIR

30 July 2026 — Maternal & Child Health Month

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The President's Post

What Was

What a fantastic few weeks it has been for our club! As another Brisbane Rotary Art Show moves steadily through the Exhibition, a hearty gratitude to everyone and every role - together it has been the best year yet.

I was pleased to attend the Rotaract River City and Paddington dual changeover as we welcomed in strong young leaders, ready and willing to *Create Lasting Impact*.

What Is

This week also gave us the opportunity to come together for our Club Assembly and Board Meeting as we continue planning for the year ahead. These conversations are an important part of shaping our club's future, and I appreciate everyone who contributes their ideas, time and enthusiasm. Whether you're volunteering at events, supporting our projects or helping behind the scenes, every contribution strengthens our club and the impact we make in our community.

What Will Be

Looking ahead to next week's meeting, we are delighted to welcome Catherine Baxter, Group Executive, Public Transport Services at Brisbane City Council. Catherine will share insights into Brisbane's bus and ferry operations and the challenges and opportunities involved in keeping our growing city connected. It promises to be another fascinating morning, and I encourage everyone to join us for what is sure to be an engaging and informative presentation. I look forward to seeing many of you there.

In Fellowship & Service,
Cindy Kemp

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- Thu 30 Jul Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Catherine Baxter, BCC Transport
Bus and ferry operations at Brisbane City Council
- Sat 01 Aug Art Show closedown**
- Thu 06 Aug Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Donelle Whiteley, Chair of Rotary Health D9620
Rotary Health - Lift the Lid on Mental Health
- Thu 13 Aug Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Dr Tristan Wallis, QLD Brain Institute
Memory, Learning & Ageing
- Thu 20 Aug Weekly Meeting @ United Service Club – [RSVP](#)**
Craig Carson, Beef Bank – RC Brisbane Centenary
Beef Bank - Feeding the Community

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.

Art Show Supporter



Brisbane
Rotary **ART SHOW** 2026

Brini Wines generously provided the wine that we enjoyed at this year's Art Show events and hosted a Tasting Table at the Gala,

Now they are also offering us a significant discount on purchases as well and open to all members and friends. Thanks Marcello!



The **Brini Wines** story began in 1953, when my father immigrated from Italy and purchased our unique vineyard in Blewitt Springs — the dress circle of McLaren Vale. Since then, we've built a reputation for producing ultra-premium wines, while also supplying fruit to other leading winemakers.

We are privileged to have been asked to support the **Brisbane Rotary Art Show**. It's exactly the kind of thing we love getting behind — local, community-driven, and proceeds going straight back to causes that matter. Being part of it for a night at the GALA, surrounded by all that art and all those people who care, was a genuine pleasure.

So to say thanks — to everyone who stopped by our table, and to Rotary for having us — **we're giving 25% discount with the code Rotary25**.

Consider it us returning the favour, one bottle at a time.
Marcello Brini

Art Show – Gala Night

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SHOW 2026



Best of Show winner
Archer Davies with
his work **Rose Velvet**

More of the Art Show – One Week Left!

As of Sunday 26th Art Sales had reached over \$106,000. which is a fantastic result - and we are still open this week! Tell all your friends and associates to drop in and see the great art, and hopefully purchase something. We have over \$800,000 of art on display so there is still lots available. Check out the art in our **Online Gallery:** <https://rotaryart.au/2026-exhibition/>

Work on the show never really stops and so we are already planning for next year, particularly Sponsorship.

So, if you know someone who might be a Sponsor then let us know now so we can get them to visit the show this year – that way they appreciate how great and professional the show is and will be keen to support us.



Kym McClusky, Bill Phillips & Jane Andersen



Denis Meadows, Roly Wells, Helen Fox & Richard Carr on Sales Desk duty

Last Week's Meeting



*Murray Bell, Lindsay Marshall,
Dyls Bertelsen, Virginia Brooks,
Jane Andersen & Steve Knight*



*Steve Settle &
Rosemary Meadows*



*Margot Baillie &
Rob O'Donovan
(not winning the
Joker Draw)*

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 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 20/7/26 -31/7/2026	Art Show Gala Cocktail Party 21/07/2026 🧑🏻‍🍳
First 2026-2027 Board Meeting Date & Venue To be Confirmed	ARTiculate Event Meet the Artists, Wine & Cheese Event 🧑🏻‍🍳 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	Taking applications
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 that day then it's your responsibility to arrange a replacement

Setup, Greeter & Closedown

Thu 30 Jul	Robyn D	Ann Maree Bu
Thu 06 Aug	Jennifer E	Robyn D
Thu 13 Aug	Helen F	Jennifer E
Thu 20 Aug	Phil G	Helen F
Thu 27 Aug	Deb Le G	Phil G

Chair



AN INVITATION TO REMEMBER

84th Kokoda Day Commemorative Service

The Rotary Club of Broadwater Southport and the Surfers Paradise RSL Sub Branch warmly invite you to join us as we honour the courage, endurance, mateship and sacrifice of those who served on the Kokoda Track.

This year is also the 20th Anniversary of Kokoda Day being declared on the Gold Coast by Mayor Ron Clarke AO MBE in 2006.

SERVICE DETAILS

Saturday, 8 August 2026

Arrival: 10.00 am | Service: 10.30 am

Rotary Kokoda Memorial Wall

Cascade Gardens, Broadbeach QLD 4218

Please let us know you will be attending by **Thursday, 6 August 2026**. The online form is our preferred RSVP option. If you are planning to lay a wreath, please include this in your registration so that arrangements can be made.

Complete RSVP Online

Dress code

Smart day dress is respectfully requested. Veterans, current serving members of the Australian Defence Force and ex-service personnel are warmly invited to wear medals and decorations.

International Toast

This week we are celebrating:
Rotary Club of Miskolc, Hungary



Since 2007, the **Rotary Club of Miskolc** has organized an annual food distribution project during the Advent season. In 2025, the event attracted about 250 people to the town square, where Rotarians passed out bean goulash and jam-filled buns.

The signature effort of the club "supports people in need by offering warm, freshly prepared meals at a time of the year when assistance is most appreciated," says club member Márk Dobai. "Over 18 years, the program has provided roughly 5,000 meals, becoming a meaningful local tradition that brings comfort, dignity, and human connection."