



The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

08 December 2008

Vice President's Message

Hi All,

This week sees the absence of President Michael away on business, official, that is! The main areas to cover this week are: to remind all our spouses of the lunch on the 8th, organised by Janine Hamburger; the Family Christmas Party on the 14th, thanks to Marjorie Herrington; and to support Max Winders in his endeavors regarding Brisbane City Hall.

The Club Blog seems to be moving on apace, but remember that the main tenet of Rotary is that each club is a unique entity and more than often what suits one does not suit another. However, constructive dialogue can bring forth innovative ideas!

Meanwhile, we pass on our sympathies to those in Mumbai who have suffered in the recent terrorist attack. We think of them and our own citizens, who have suffered from recent natural disasters, and hope that they can still find a way to enjoy the festive season.

Meanwhile 'Make dreams real'.

Yours in Rotary,

Vice President Mike Mauger



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MONDAYS

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

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District 9600
Club Number 17787
Founded 29 May 1923

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New Links

Family Christmas Party
Attendance Form

<http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/calendar-events.html>

Rotary Club of Brisbane
Partners Luncheon

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Members,

During the festive season and especially at the New Year, you may have friends and colleagues who may wish to make New Year's 'resolutions' that include helping their communities.

If you do, perhaps a nudge in the direction of Rotary might be the thing to do!

Invite them to lunch and they may enjoy the experience enough to want to join and, of course, we will welcome them.



GUEST SPEAKERS

Monday 08 December 2008

TBA



Meeting Review
1st December 2008

We had a good turnout of 35 this week with 32 members, one member's guest and one Guest Speaker and spouse in attendance.

Chairman Alistair Smith welcomed those attending and then asked all to say grace and proposed the loyal toast and the toast to Rotary International. He then welcomed President Michael to the rostrum.

Pres Michael again welcomed all to the meeting and mentioned Max Winder's group who were looking at ways of involving the Club in the restoration of Brisbane City Hall. He then introduced our guests:

- Darren Stanley – guest of Grant Cause
- Dr Chris Day – Guest Speaker
- Michael Day – spouse of Chris Day

Pres Michael then said that it had been agreed at the Board Meeting that there would be a speaker each week on past and present projects undertaken by the Club. He introduced Graham McHarrie to give the first.

Graham spoke about a project undertaken by the Rotary Club of Cambridge and the Rotary Club of Surabaya for a hearing project in Surabaya. The project attracted a matching grant and cost \$US15,000.

The RCoB input was at the Brisbane Conference in 2003 where we introduced an audiologist from Florida to the project team.

Pres Michael thanked Graham for his input.

Chairman Alistair then called for spots.

- In another new item for meetings, Brian Carss gave the first talk on the history of Rotary by recounting how Paul Harris founded the organisation in Chicago.

- Max Winders thanked Pres Michael for the comments on the City Hall group and explained what they hoped to do and invited any members interested to contact himself or Bas Veal.

After time for lunch and fellowship, Chairman Alistair introduced our Guest Speaker, Dr Chris Day, to talk on the subject of 'Work Life Balance'.

She started off her talk by saying that what is real is that there is no work and life – there is only life and each has his or her own life. What we do with our life is either use it to get what we want or in some cases to get what we think we want.

Chris proposed that the real issue with the work life balance topic is: What is the difference between people who are happy with the way they spend their time and those who aren't? She said that the big thing is what is driving them. She said that most of us are driven by one or more of Guilt, Resentment, Fear, Materialism; or Approval. Chris concluded by saying that many problems with optimising your life can be solved by doing three things: Recognise the purpose that is currently driving you; get yourself a decent purpose; and change your mind.

A full transcript of Dr Chris's presentation will be available on the web next week.

Chairman Alistair thanked Chris for her interesting and thought provoking talk and presented her with a Certificate of Appreciation.

Chairman Alistair then introduced Sergeant-at-Arms Tony Love, who thanked Chris again and then told a few jokes and extracted appropriate fines for misdemeanours and transgressions.

The ticket for the 'Find the Joker' raffle was drawn and this week's winner was Pres Michael, who won an RCoB Polo Shirt, and drew the King of Clubs! The jackpot for next Monday stands at approximately \$464.95 plus this Monday's raffle share.

Good luck!

CALENDAR

Family Christmas Party

When:

Sunday, 14th December 2008
from 11 am

Where:

Marjorie's Place
374 Grieve Road
ROCHEDALE 4123

See attendance Form at 'New Links'

Rotary Club of Brisbane Partners Luncheon – Christmas 2008

The Brisbane Polo Club [Library]
Naldam House
1 Eagle Street Brisbane

Monday 8th December 2008

Cost: \$40.00

Please reply by Thursday 4th
December 2008

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ROSTER

Monday 15th December 2008

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	R Walters
Set Up	M Winders
Put Away	M Evans
Raffle	W Bishop
Visitor Register	P Gresham
Fellowship	H Milne
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and giver of all good
We thank You for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve You all our days.

FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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