The Rotary Club of Brisbane Inc.

MAKE DREAMS REAL

22 June 2009

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PO Box 687
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Meets 4th Floor
(Edinburgh Room)
of the Brisbane Club
Post Office Square
241 Adelaide Street
Brisbane

MONDAYS

12.15 pm – 1.45 pm

OFFICERS

President	**Michael Kelly**
President Elect	**Mike Mauger**
Imm Past President	**Mel Evans**
Secretary	**Brian Carss**
Treasurer	**Cameron Bishop**

District 9600
Club Number 17787
Founded 29 May 1923

District Governor
Wayne Morris

Rotary International President
Dong Kurn Lee

President's Message

In recent news Rotary International has made some significant steps in the on-going fight to eradicate polio and has firmed Rotary's relationship with the Bill and Melinda Gates charitable fund. Members may like to 'Google' or 'Bing' these subject headings to get updated and reaffirm the worth of the tremendous organisation to which we all belong. I continue to be amazed by the depth and diversity of Rotary.

Local reminders for forthcoming events include the Rotary Club of Brisbane Change-over function scheduled for the Brisbane Club on the evening of the 3rd July 2009. Also thanks to those members and others contributing to the Homeless Football (Soccer) event scheduled for South Bank, Brisbane mid July.

The council and State council have some projects due for completion in the near future Rotary has successfully been involved in these types of events previously. If any members have any information and/or contacts that may help please let the club know.

On social matters we look forward to a packed week and am sure that the membership as a whole will be strongly supporting the Wallabies and Queensland Maroons.

Have a great week and,

Let's Make Dreams Real,

2008/09 President Michael Kelly

New Links

RCOB Member Speaker List 2009/2010
http://www.brisbanerotary.org.au/MemberSpeakerList.html

Maintaining our Membership

Members,
We still need to attract and recruit new members! Invite colleagues or friends to lunch and introduce them to:

Michael Stephens,
Don O'Donoghue
or
Wal Bishop

And they will do the rest!

GUEST SPEAKERS

Monday June 22 2009
TBA

Meeting Review
15th June 2009

More than half the population will be impacted by leukaemia, lymphoma or myeloma, either directly or indirectly, in their lifetimes.
In Queensland, about five people are diagnosed with leukaemia every day equating to about 1500 a year.
These were some of the statistics mentioned by this week's guest speaker Leukaemia Foundation of Queensland community relationships manager Hedley Lockyer.
Mr Lockyer said it could strike anybody, regardless of age, gender and circumstances. He said the only symptom may be awaking one day and feeling a bit unwell.
The foundation raises about $10 million each year, of which $1 million is spent on research, while the bulk of the remainder goes into providing counselling, financial assistance, accommodation and other support services to leukaemia victims and survivors.
Only about 20 per cent is spent on administration costs, which Mr Lockyer attributed mostly to the generosity of volunteers. The government doesn't contribute any money, with the main fundraising effort coming from the foundation's annual Shave For A Cure appeal held in March.
Mr Lockyer said the club could participate next year by sponsoring one of our members who agrees to participate.
ANY VOLUNTEERS?
Interestingly, the Leukaemia Foundation in Queensland was started by the Lions Club of Holland Park in 1975, which goes to show just how much a community service club can achieve.
Hedley said he was an accountant by trade from Sydney, who had spent 24 years working for Qantas, 12 years for the International Transport Association, seven years in the advertising industry and has been two-and-a-half years with the Leukaemia Foundation.
In other news, this week's meeting was attended by just 25 members, prompting club stalwart Wal Bishop to express his disappointment just before the meeting's close.
He called on us to contact members who didn't attend and tell them what a wonderful meeting they missed.

On a good note, our female presence tripled with the inclusion of Rotarian Phil Little's daughter Selina and Assistant Governor Gordana Blazevic from Brisbane Sunrise, who along with Hedley, brought the overall meeting tally to 28.
Gordana thanked the club for its support during her term, particularly in regard to the sister club agreement with Kobe East, and promised she'd be back as a guest in the next financial year.
Meanwhile, Selina, a model and marketing student, is about to head to Tripoli in Libya with her partner for three months.
President-elect Mike Mauger called for people to put their name down on the member's speaker list. Only one has done this so far. To register, go to the Rotary Club of Brisbane and click on our club twice and drop down to the speaker list.
He also reminded us of the handover dinner which is July 3, 7 for 7.30pm at the Brisbane Club.
Chairwoman Alison Sandy then called for spots:

- PP Mel Evans reminded us of the Homeless National Soccer Championships in Brisbane on Sunday, July 19.
- Rotarian Phil Little talked about the imminent opening of the Innovation and Sustainability Centre at the Skill Tech TAFE at Acacia Ridge. His company, the Phil Little Sustainable Design Foundation, has a joint venture with the Queensland Government, but the building is still being fitted out. It's due to be completed in October.

Sergeant-at-Arms Tony Love fined everybody at the president's table because all the women were seated there and then proceeded to tell some jokes that only he could do justice! He again thanked Hedley for his talk and reiterated Alison's praise for Hedley's decision to come out of retirement to devote his passion and enthusiasm to such a worthy cause. The winner of the 'Find the Joker' raffle this week was Greg Sellers! He won a bottle of wine and drew the four of clubs, so the jackpot stands at over $1,000!

Enjoy your weekend.

CALENDAR

Changeover Dinner

Friday 03 July 2009
7 for 7.30 pm
Edinburgh Room,
Brisbane Club

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Monday July 6
No Meeting

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Homeless National Soccer Championships

19 July 2009

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ROSTER

Monday 29th June 2009

President	M Kelly
Chairperson	K Jenkins
Set Up	L Stalley
Put Away	G Sellers
Raffle	P Little
Visitor Register	R Bamwell
Fellowship	W Bishop
Attendance	B Esler G Whitmore

DATECLAIMER

Please forward any dates or articles of interest that you would like to see included in future Bulletins to the Club Secretary at

secretary@brisbanerotary.org.au

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?