Rotary Club of Brisbane

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

Maternal and Child Welfare Month

Chartered 29th May 1923

Rotary International Club 17787

BULLETIN 17th JULY 2023

OPENING Chairman Michael Stevens opened the meeting at 12.45pm with 15 in attendance, including guests from the Mater Hospital, Lesley Ray and Greg McGahan.

APOLOGIES: Celia Grenning, Phil Gresham, Dymphna Muir, Don O'Donoghue, Juan Laporta

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of COUNTRY We acknowledge the Jagera and Turrbal people as the Traditional Custodians of Meanjin (Brisbane), the lands on which we meet. We pay our respects to elders past, present and emerging.

Sketch of Aboriginal campsite, Shafston Property, Kangaroo Point

31st July 1855 by Thomas Baines. (Source: Braddon, Russell. 1986 Thomas Baines and the North Australian Expedition. Sydney: Collins in assoc. with the Royal Geographical Society. Original in Thomas Baines Sketchbooks held by the Royal Geographical Society, London.)

TOAST to King Charles III and People of Australia

TOAST TO ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH QUEENSFERRY, which is the Club of Rotary International President Gordon McInally. Founded in 1977 they have about 30 members and meet at the Hawes Inn in **South Queensferry** on a Thursday evening from 6.45pm-9pm.
Pictured to the right is the Firth of Forth bridge, with Gordon and Heather McInally on the shore, lower right. RI President Gordon lost his brother to mental illness, hence the priority as a specific Rotary cause for this 2023-2024 RI Presidential year. A short video was played—quite apt with our guests from the Mater talking about peri-natal mental health issues.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7WBBgaxs_vA

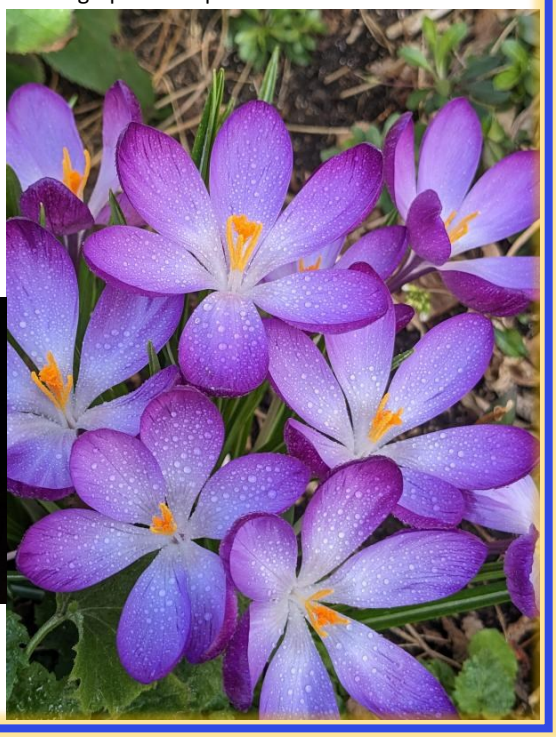
Queensferry South Rotary Club activities 2022/2023

Tidy-Up of Rosebery Hall Community Centre

Bollywood Night Charity Night

Golf Day Queensferry Churches Care Community

Photographic Competition > Freedom from Fistula



Planters for primary school's vegetable growing lessons

< Pakistan Flood Appeal Auction

The total raised by the Santa events was a fantastic £3,348.29. The funds will be used to fund our local and community projects and initiatives this year.

PRESIDENT

Phil Saxby

Rotary members launched a $3 million, five-year pilot to save lives of mothers and children during home deliveries in Nigeria.

Since 2005, they've also repaired 1,500 obstetric fistulas — 500 more than their initial goal — restoring dignity and hope to vulnerable mothers.

THANK YOU

To ALL CLUB MEMBERS

EVERYONE CONTRIBUTES IN
THEIR OWN WAY
THEIR OWN TIME AND TO
THEIR OWN RHYTHM

PICK YOUR SPECIAL AREA

AND ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

A LOT OF ROTARY OPTIONS TO

HAVE FUN WHILST GIVING BACK

THIS CLUB NEEDS NO LESSONS IN GIVING BACK

Rotary makes high-quality health care available to vulnerable mothers and children so they can live longer and grow stronger

Haiti has the highest maternal and infant mortality rate of any country in the western hemisphere. Rotary provided a fully equipped medical Jeep to volunteers and midwives to reach mothers and children in remote areas.

MANY THANKS THIS WEEK
TO ALL WHO HAVE

ARANGED
OR VOLUNTEERED

FOR THE 41st BRISBANE ROTARY ART SHOW

SPECIAL THANKS TO SPONSORS

Paul Eliadis
Alastair Blanshard
Jonathon Harris
Chris and Dymphna Muir

IT IS A COMBINED CLUBS EVENT OF
PADDINGTON
BRISBANE HIGHRISE
BRISBANE

WHILST IT HAS NOT RUN FOR THREE YEARS
THE VARIOUS COGS
IN THIS PARTICULAR ROTARY WHEEL
HAVE NOT NEEDED MUCH GREASE

Brisbane ROTARY art SHOW

https://rotaryart.au/

SPOT THE MEMBER

PDG and HONORARY CLUB MEMBER TIM KEELER WHEELING INTO A NEW ROLE AT RARE ALEXANDRA HILLS LAST THURSDAY

PDG TIM IS SO PLEASED TO NOW BE GETTING MORE THAN A FEW HOURS SLEEP EACH NIGHT

PROFESSOR ALASTAIR BLANSHARD
CHECKING IN AT THE ROTARY ART SHOW

John Smerdon must have an artistic eye. Pictured here on Saturday, admiring the painting ''Unity'' by Ai Shah, which then won Best in Show on Monday night.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Rotary Art Show – Gala tonight. **Show open free of charge all week.**

Past-President Bruce McNaught's 2023 Report is online

Club Bulletins all uploaded and are online

Rotary Club of Madras – 90 Years of Service - ''A Timeless Legacy''

RARE Race Day Sunday 22nd October, Caloundra

Any Speakers? – To Johnathon Harris please

Next Week – Personal Intro - Bruce McNaught

RARE Any Thursday morning
OR Saturday Loading Rosters Presidential Absences

President-Elect Angela Murphy with rehydration for Art Show volunteers on Saturday morning

PRESENTATION OF HIS SEVENTH PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP TO RICK TAMASKE

Rotary Club of Brisbane has 130 individual Paul Harris Fellowships and 2 Major Donors

Rotary established Paul Harris Fellowships in 1957 to encourage and show appreciation for substantial contributions to what was then the Foundation's only program, Rotary Foundation Fellowships for Advanced Study, the precursor to Ambassadorial Scholarships.

PRESENTATION OF BADGES

President: Phil Saxby	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2024)
Secretary: Paul Choy	(Jul 1 2021-Jun 30 2024)
Treasurer: Celia Grenning	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Immediate Past President and Foundation Chair: Bruce McNaught	(Jul 1 2023-Jun30 2024)
PAF Chair: John Smerdon	(Jul 1 2022-Jun 30 2024)
Sergeant-at-arms: Jonathan Harris	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2026)
Director: Keith Watts	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Director: Denise Schellbach	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Director: Chris Muir	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Director: Dymphna Muir	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Director: Angela Murphy	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)
Director: Mark Williams	(Jul 1 2023-Jun 30 2025)

MEMBER SPOTS

Denise Schellbach advised the meeting that she would be absent for the next 4 weeks and would prefer travelling to Ireland, London and Japan!! We all wish you safe and happy travels, Denise, and look forward to your return.

Bruce McNaught reminded everyone that the Rotary Art Show being held at Central Plaza, 345 Queen Street, was opening this afternoon (Monday 17th).

John Smerdon and Angela Murphy both commented on the extremely high quality of the art works on display at the Rotary Art Show. https://rotaryart.au/prize-winners-art-show/

GUEST SPEAKER

GUEST PRESENTATION
Lesley RAY

The guest speakers for today were **Lesley Ray** and **Greg McGahan** who gave an enlightening and uplifting presentation on Catherine's House.

Perinatal depression affects 1 in 5 new mothers and can result in suicide. There was a serious gap in the health system with only 4 beds publicly available in 2014.

Through philanthropy the conversion of Mater Convent, which was built in the 1920's, commenced. Members of the Rotary Club of Brisbane helped play a pivotal role in this endeavour. 17 million dollars was raised, and in 2014, construction work began, whilst maintaining the heritage aspects of the century old building.

In March 2023, Catherine's House was opened and started helping new mum's suffering from perinatal depression and providing support for affected families.

Catherine's House has 3 levels. Level 1 (left) houses 7 perinatal psychiatry consultation rooms and out patient services for parenting support.

Level 2 (right) caters for day programs for early parenting and includes programs for dads as well.

Level 3 has 2 functions. The inpatient suites (left) are on this level, as well as Rena's Retreat (right); an area dedicated for the use of health care workers.

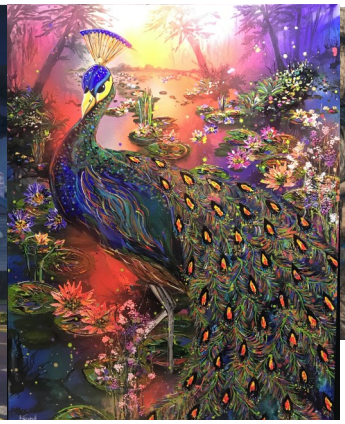
Thomas' Garden is a beautiful outdoor space provided to provide a serene and calming meeting place for families, a place where parents can bring their children for morning teas, and a place where families can connect on the weekends.

Club member and donor Michael Stephens and Mrs Stephens standing behind and to the right of Lesley Ray [third from right].

Catherine's House has been co-designed by parents with lived experience and a multidisciplinary team of health professionals to deliver specialised care to parents experiencing depression, anxiety and other mental health challenges in the first year of their baby's arrival.

Lesley and Greg presented members of the Rotary Club of Brisbane with a Thank You Booklet for the Club's support of Catherine's House.

Michael Stephens (left), Cameron Gibson (second from right), Rick Tamaschke (right), and President Phil Saxby (centre) accepted the book from Lesley and Greg (2nd and 3rd from left).



OPEN Mon 17 to Sat 22 https://rotaryart.au/

Central Plaza One, 345 Queen St , Brisbane

Alexandra Matthews	Kandall Perkins	Paula Quintela
Turning for Home	Coat of Many Colours	The Storm
Best Acrylic	Mixed Media on Canvas	**Best Mixed Medium**

RAFFLE was won by Mark Williams, who then proceeded to draw another Club—Still not the Joker.

MEETING CLOSED President Phil closed the meeting at 1.47 pm, with thanks to our Guests Lesley Ray and Greg McGahan from the Mater Hospital.

NATIONAL ANTHEM

CALENDER DATES

JULY	17th to 22nd			**Brisbane Rotary Art Show** https://rotaryart.au/ Central Plaza One
	Mon	24	12.15 for 12.45pm	Meeting at Fridays
				Speaker Bruce McNaught
	Sun	30	9—10.30am	**D9620 Membership Summit**. Zoom Meeting
				D9620 Membership Summit | District 9620 (rotary9620.org)
	Mon	31	12.15 for 12.45pm	Meeting at Fridays
				Speaker Professor Deborah Brown on Decision Making and Leadership
AUGUST	Mon	7	12.15 for 12.45pm	Meeting at Fridays
				Speaker John Aaskov: Reminiscences of an Arbovirologist
	Mon	14	**11.30am**	**Board meeting at Fridays with District Governor Paul Roger**
			12.15 for 12.45	Meeting at Fridays
				Speaker District Governor Paul Roger on Rotary Affairs

MEETING ROSTER

MEETING DATE	PRESIDENTIAL DUTY	CHAIR	INTERNATIONAL TOAST
MON 24 JULY	CHRIS MUIR	CHRIS MUIR	MARK WILLIAMS
MON 31 JULY	MICHAEL STEPHENS	DAN ADLER	CAMERON GIBSON
MON 7 AUG	KEITH WATTS	MARK WILLIAMS	RICK TAMASCHKE
MON 14 AUG	PHIL SAXBY	PHIL GRESHAM	CELIA GRENNING

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40th Anniversary
19th APRIL 2024

RI CONVENTION
SINGAPORE
25-29 MAY 2024

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