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Rotary International Club 17787

CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS BULLETIN 5th JUNE 2023

Full Centenary Celebration Photographic Galleries Are Available

Monday 22nd May Centenary Luncheon Meeting [Rotary 100 Year Anniversary Luncheon by eventphotography.com](https://eventphotography.com/rotary100yearanniversaryluncheon)

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President Bruce McNaught welcomed all to the meeting at 12.45pm with 20 present, including guests Juan Laporta; Arturo Menguil; PAG KH Low from the Rotary Club of Padu, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; Rotarian Sarah Seifaier from Toronto Canada; Past President Prince Kumar of Toronto Rotary Club; Guest Speaker District 9620 Membership Co-ordinator and Past District Governor Jitendra Prasad, member of Brisbane International Rotary Club.

APOLOGIES: Angela Murphy, Don O'Donoghue, James Delahunty.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of COUNTRY

TOAST to King Charles III and People of Australia was followed by a Toast to Rotary International.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Next Century Gala was a great success, with special thanks to Mark and Angela.

Greeted with an exceptionally solid acclamation from the members.

Melbourne Convention was not as well planned as others with poor transport arrangements and fewer general sessions.

The Closing ceremony was excellent and the Polio Report was brilliant. Our guests from Canada agreed on the lack of general sessions, as Toronto Rotary Club had hosted the 2018 Convention.

Art Show 17th – 22nd July Volunteers are required, but especially for the setting up and dismantling days Saturday 15th and Saturday 22nd July. Please email Alastair Blanchard blanshardalastair@gmail.com. *Alternatively and preferably*, log onto your Club Runner app and follow > Events and Volunteering > Volunteer Sign Ups > Art Show Roster > Sign Up List > Manage Volunteers THEN pick your sessions to fill vacant spots. *Sponsors are still being sought for the Art Show.*

Centenary Project QBI President Bruce will be speaking in support of our QBI Project at District Changeover on Sun 2nd July.

Trivia Evening will be postponed to a date selected in conjunction with Rotaract clubs, to be able to offer more support to our Rotaractors.

Brisbane Club Changeover is 10th July with details to be advised shortly—giving us all a slight break from our recent fortnight of combined Centenary Celebrations and Rotary International Conference.

Singapore Conference 2024 A number of club members have already registered for the next RI Conference.

2023 CONVENTION COMMENTS

President Bruce had extremely high expectations of RI President Jennifer Jones, but felt these were not met with her stressing of diversity in Rotary, especially as she is the first female President. Rotary promotes itself as being diverse, but some of the inclusiveness being stressed may in fact alienate some others holding firm religious beliefs.

Past President Prince Kumar of Toronto Rotary Club indicated that their 111 year old club has deliberately sought to become more diverse in membership over the past decade.

Mark Williams added that each President will bring their own particular values to promote, and it is one of the blessings of Rotary that each President can have a different approach over their year.

CLUB CALENDER is to be found on page 5.

MEMBER SPOTS

Mark Williams: Rotaractors were given sponsored Gala tickets. They are blaming themselves for failing to maintain contact with their sponsoring clubs. Trivia nights may provide a method to embrace Rotaractors into more positive club contact.

Keith Watts presented two banners. One from the Rotary Club of Mumbai Borivali East in Mumbai India and a second banner from our sister club of Taipei Tatung, Taiwan. Our sister club also gave our club a gift—presented at the Centenary meeting. Keith also passed around some brochures on “Supporting Adolescents with Autism” - our Joint Global Program with the Rotary Club of Colombo Reconnections. The brochures related to a workshop for Parents and Caregivers held on 18th February in Kolkata.

Mark Williams then remembered to present a further two banners from the Rotary club of Bombay West, India and Vallejo, California. Both Clubs were invited to the Marvellous Melbourne Rotary Cocktail Party held last Sunday 28th May, where many of our own Club members also attended.

Mark accepted these banners with the understanding that our Club would reciprocate after we had more banners produced.



John Smerdon has recently spent a few hours visiting our club member Don O'Donoghue at home. Don remains most interested in club affairs and its activities. A resounding and spontaneous round of acclamation—as support for Don.

Jonathon Harris indicated that the club's guest speaker last week was from the Diabetes Foundation. Our club was asked if we could assist with labour at a barbeque being held in Roma Street parklands on 22nd October. They would also be interested in running another Golf Day raising funds for Diabetes - as our club has done previously.

Later in the meeting, Jonathon indicated that guest speaker from last week Elizabeth Watson-Brown had indicated that our club is generally perceived as a conservative club and that we probably need to let younger potential members view us as more receptive. A barbeque may enable more contact with these potential younger members.

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS



A Paul Harris Fellow is “An individual who contributes US\$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation or has that amount contributed in his or her name”.

To recognize a person as a Paul Harris Fellow should always be an honor to the individual, because it demonstrates significant support for the wonderful work of The Rotary Foundation.

But, just as a Paul Harris Fellow can be a "recognition of exceptional service," it can also be many other things, as well.

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

President Bruce McNaught jointly with Past District Governor Jitendra Prasad proceeded to present upgrades to a further three EXISTING PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS as follows:



John SMERDON 2nd PHF

Keith WATTS 3rd PHF

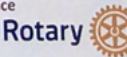
Michael STEPHENS 3rd PHF



Are Our Members Engaged?

Personal

- Increase Rotary Knowledge
 - Rotary Leadership Institute
 - Rotary's vision, mission and Objects
 - My Rotary
- Become a member of a Rotary Action Group
- Become a member of Rotary Fellowship
- Professional Development
 - Get confidence to speak in front of people
 - Surf on the Rotary website for information
- Search for Your "Why" in Rotary
- Seek your "Rotary Moment"
- Increase your Member Value Proposition / Relevance



GUEST SPEAKER District 9620 Membership Co-ordinator and Past District Governor **Jitendra Prasad**, member of Brisbane International Rotary Club gave a brilliant presentation on membership. Imagine our club with 20 new members.

Now imagine our club with 20 fewer members.

In our District, 1425 new members have joined Rotary in the last few years; whilst 1822 have been lost.

42% of those not staying leave because their expectations have not been met.

We need to search for **WHY ?** In Rotary.

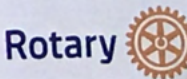
Seek your own Rotary moment.

Membership provides "PSYCHIC IN-COME" - our Rotary journey should enrich our soul.



Are we attracting new members?

- Each one Bring One
- Club Flexibility
 - Different Club models
 - Different Club's "Why"
 - Change of meeting
 - Venue / time/ Zoom/F2F
- Revitalize the spirit of friendship
 - Philosophy of Rotary – "He Profits most who Serves Best"

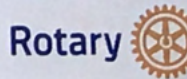




Rotary District 9620



Call to Action

- Prioritise Growing Rotary
- Implement these strategies in your club:
 - Put your members at the heart of your club's experience
 - Provide opportunities for meaningful service
 - Increase diversity, equity and inclusion
 - Find opportunities to start new clubs
 - Bring new members into Rotary
- Continue to tell the amazing stories of Rotary
- Continue to deliver positive and lasting change






Help others



Even when you know
they can't help you
back..❤️

Personalised model of rotary

- Satellite clubs
- Passport clubs
- Alumni clubs
- Corporate clubs
- Cause based clubs
- Satellite clubs
- Non-club-based models

Get Comfortable....

....with the Uncomfortable

Rotary 



6 pillars of rotary

- Leadership
- Communication
- Organization
- Projects
- Relationship building
- Shared Experiences

Rotary 



Rotary
District 9620



CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

The things you do for yourself
are gone when you are gone.
The things you do for others
remain your legacy...

Rotary 

Service Above Self



Rotary 

VOTE OF THANKS Mark Williams thanked Jitendra for one of the best presentations he had seen on membership. Mark then went on to explain that there are many differing pathways for an individual to find fulfilment in Rotary. Each should choose what they wish to do, from a broad range of activities. Even District leadership positions offer immense individual reward, if you are so inclined.

President Bruce indicated he has found Rotary Fellowship groups rewarding, with his interests in Railroading and Travelling finding fellow Rotarians.

Jitendra even indicated that travelling has its own rewards with warm fellowship extended from fellow Rotarians.



Sarah Seifaier President Keith Watts PDG PP Prince Kumar
Toronto Bruce McNaught Jitendra Prasad Toronto RC

RAFFLE was won by Sergeant Jonathon Harris, who then proceeded to draw the Joker from a brand new pack. Another pack needed for next week's raffle!

SERGEANT fined himself, as he left his list of fines in his teaching satchel—which is not with him today as this is a non-teaching week! Jonathon also apologised for needing to rush back to lectures, leaving early each meeting.

MEETING CLOSED President Bruce closed the meeting at 1.55 pm, with thanks to the many guests.

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE: LOG IN and DELIVER YOUR EMPTIES TOWARDS FUNDING OUR CLUB ACTIVITIES

https://member.containersforchange.com.au/team-member/add/qld?team_link=qld/the-rotary-club-of-brisbane-inc-6420eda5a5afb

CHAIR ROSTER

12	Chris Muir	12.15 for 12.45pm	FRIDAYS RIVERSIDE
19	Board Meeting President Bruce	12.15 for 12.45pm	FRIDAYS RIVERSIDE
26	Rick Tamaschke	12.15 for 12.45pm	FRIDAYS RIVERSIDE

If unable to perform the rostered Chair, please arrange for a replacement. Rick Tamaschke has agreed to act as reserve.

CALENDER DATES

JUNE Tues 27th	Induction of Her Excellency the Hon Jeanette Young Governor of Queensland, and Professor Graeme Nimmo RFD		
	5pm	Government House, 168 Fernberg Rd. Paddington	
JULY Sun 2nd	District Changeover "The Long Lunch"		Ipswich Civic Centre 12 noon– 3pm
Mon 10th	Club Changeover Meeting		Friday's Riverside, Grand Deck Meeting Room
17th to 22nd	Brisbane Rotary Art Show https://rotaryart.au/ Central Plaza One, 345 Queen Street		

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RC TAIPEI TATUNG

40th Anniversary

19th APRIL 2024

RI CONVENTION

SINGAPORE

25-29 MAY 2024



CENTENARY CIVIC RECEPTION Monday 22nd May BRISBANE CITY HALL

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HOST: LORD MAYOR AND ROTARY CLUB OF BRISBANE MEMBER ADRIAN SCHRINNER

SPEAKERS: PRESIDENT BRUCE McNAUGHT and DISTRICT GOVERNOR TIM KEELER

INTERNATIONAL GUESTS: Arch Klumph Society Members and Rotary Club of Taipei Tatung Members





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GUEST SPEAKERS Her Excellency the Hon Jeanette Young Governor of Queensland

Marty Helman Rotary Foundation Trustee

SPEAKERS District Governor, Tim Keeler

President Bruce McNaught

CHAIRMAN Dan Williams







