



Newsletter  
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## Message from the President

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Hi All,

Again I was excited to see so many members coming along to club regularly especially as I know everyone is busy, but it is great to see that we all have time for Rotary.

Thanks to Bev. for arriving home from South Africa at midnight on Tuesday & still serving breakfast next morning, hope you slept well Wednesday night Bev.

Wednesday night I came home & decided to check out the club web site as I know Graeme is working hard to get it up to scratch, as I perused the site I realized how much information & how much effort has been put into this site, so if you need to check items relating to our Club, Rotary in general, Links to other sites, Projects we have completed or are about to do, the Fun Run, the Art show, Beefbank & all that is associated with it check our web site. The information spreads from how Rotary started to Polio Plus and heaps of other great information so please check it out.

Thanks to Leslie from Planetarium Club who presented our club a \$1200 cheque for Beefbank.

Thanks to our Guest speaker Elena Ambassadorial Scholar from Russia, I was surprised that from Moscow to Elena's home takes 9 hours by plane. No roads to get there, just Planes & Boats. The presentation was informative & it seems that because of the isolation & not knowing we were all extremely interested, maybe another time Elena can come along & tell us more about her home. By the way Elena took 5 days to travel from her home in Russia to Australia & we complain about waiting in traffic for an hour.

Friday night I opened my National Geographic & one of the main articles was about Kamchatka Peninsula, Elena's home state in Russia.

Our Projects Locally & Internationally are progressing well & the relevant directors will be looking for help as the year goes along. Bruce & Kevin are getting our Master Chef night into place which should prove great fun & quite eventful, so let's all support the night.

Don't forget Sumner Park club's Polio Plus bush dance on the 29<sup>th</sup>, we want to get a full table along, please ring John Woodward to book your place.

Thanks to all members for making our club what we all want it to be.

## Rotary News – At Home and Abroad

### Mount Ommaney Electorate, Rotary and Lions Clubs

The following is text of an Adjournment Statement made to the Legislative Assembly by Julie Attwood MP on Thursday, 20th August.

Due to space limitations, I have edited the content on Mrs Attwood's statement to parliament and apologise to the Lions Club members for so doing.

“ Mrs ATTWOOD ( Mount Ommaney—LP ) ( 9.41 pm ) : I am pleased to be able to address the House in relation to the great work of my local Rotary and Lions clubs in the area. In the electorate of Mount Ommaney there are many service clubs, including the Jindalee Lions, the Jamboree Lions, the Oxley-Sherwood Lions Club, the Rotary Club of Brisbane Centenary, the Rotary Club of Sumner Park and the Rotary Club of Jindalee. Each year I endeavour to attend their changeover dinners as they celebrate their achievements and the wonderful community work they have undertaken over the previous 12 months.

Since 2001 I have been an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Sumner Park and I love being part of this small but active group of enthusiastic businesspeople. They always have a lot of fun and are committed to using their skills to undertake community projects. One of the community events I was able to attend a few months ago was the Rotary Mental Health Forum held at the Centenary State High School. There has always been a lack of understanding about people with mental health issues and the growing number of cases of depression. I commend the Rotary Club of Jindalee past president, Ron Clark, for organising this forum with expert speakers who were able to bring about a better understanding of mental illness to members of the public. This Rotary club also assisted to raise funds for the Sisters of St Rafaa who support poor children in Lebanon. Each year I am invited to attend this charity event organised by Hana Torbey at her home. Hana received a Paul Harris Fellow award for her dedication and commitment to this important humanitarian cause.

During the recent changeovers long-term member of the Rotary Club of Brisbane Centenary, Nick Curry, commenced his term as district governor to the delight of all of us, his colleagues in the club. Past president John Cridland presented Rotarian Andrew Rogers and community worker Ann George with Paul Harris Fellow awards. Andrew's was for his great work for the club. The club actually supplied eight tonnes of meat to Foodbank in 2008- 09. Ann got her award for her support for foster-children in the community through Project: Love & Care. It is a great honour to receive the Paul Harris Fellow award. It is an award which is given in appreciation of tangible and significant assistance for the furtherance of better understanding and friendly relations among people of the world. It is without doubt the pinnacle of Rotary's awards and is only ever awarded to very special people who make substantial contributions. I commend the work of the service clubs and their volunteers who make a difference in the local area. ”

### ROTARY PLANNING TO BEEF UP IT'S BANK

Along with the other attachments (see below) there is an article from the South West News on our Beefbank program. Please check it out.

## Footy Tipping

Thankyou all for your support this year. In addition to providing a little fun each week, you collectively have paid for over 1,200 doses of Polio Vaccine to be used in third world countries in our battle to eradicate this curse.

As with any good venture, every player has won a prize. After the final round completes on Sept 7 you will receive a cheque for your earnings. Rotarians can have this added to their Foundation Cup donations should they wish.

Leading weekly prize earner to date has been Maria Butler (Augathella) who has managed to snaffle two jackpots. The usual suspects Dr Nev, Mick James and Michelle Rodgers have been fairly quiet this year which probably says a lot about the evenness of the footaball competition itself.

The annual event is very close with Graham Osterfield clinging to a two point lead over Ross Doolan with 3 points back to the fast finishing Ken Rogers and Geoff Williams hanging in with some hope. Last place has been wrapped up already by Royce, which when added to his weekly totals make this a good year for him. (we will have to start charging a percentage on this one)

I will be overseas when the comp finishes, but Graeme has full details and will be able to pay out prizes.

Best wishes to you all. John Cridland

## Upcoming Events

27 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Annual Golf Day – R.C. of Archerfield	See Attached Flyer
29 <sup>th</sup> Aug.	Polio Bush Dance – R.C Sumner Park – contact John Woodward	See Attached Flyer
7 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Charity Golf Day – R.C. Salisbury	
9 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	(EVENING) Foodbank Meeting – contact Graeme Stratford	See Attached Flyer
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Beefbank Presentation @ R.C. Port of Bris. – G Stratford & volunteer (?)	
16 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Business Lunch & Auction – R.C. Bris. Planetarium	See Attached Flyer
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Beefbank Presentation @ Centenary RSL – J Cridland & volunteer (?)	
24 <sup>th</sup> Oct.	Master Chef (Evening) – contact Bruce Wilson	

## Rosters

Duty	26 <sup>th</sup> August	2 <sup>nd</sup> September
Chair	Andrew Rodgers	Danny Strong
Duty Officer	Bill R-T	Tony Russell
Fellowship Officer	Gerry Gebert	Kevin McCullough
Rotary Talk	John Cridland	Stephen Chiang
International Toast	Nev Beckmann?	Nev Blomeley
Guest Speaker	Stephen Stoneley - Member behind the badge.	Dorina Pehi our YEP student from Szombathely, Hungary

### ROTARY GRACE

Lord, make us more thankful for what we have received;  
 Make us more content with what we have;  
 And make us more mindful of others who are in need.