

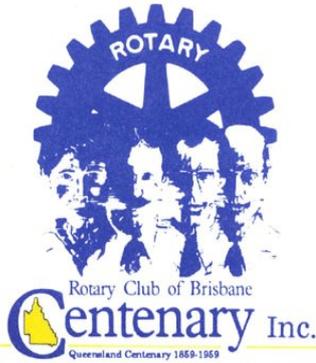


# The Rotary Club

of

# Brisbane Centenary

SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



## Andrew's Advice

I hope your all having a good month. Thanks to Craig and Graham for the presentation regarding membership last week. As we all saw there is a lot of opportunity, it is also worth noting that the issues we are facing are not unique. Globally service clubs are having trouble getting and retaining members.

Speaking of new members thanks Gerry for bringing John along. Also please remember next month we will be doing the member drive in our area. So if you haven't worn your walking sneakers for a while please dust them of in anticipation.

See you all Wednesday for the DG meeting.

*Andrew*



President Andrew Rodgers

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The Rotary Club of Brisbane Centenary Inc. meets on Wednesday at 6:30am for 6:45am at:

23 Hasp Street  
Seventeen Miles Rocks

P O Box 214 Mt

### *This meeting*

**DG's Official Visit**

**An occasion not to be missed!**

### *23rd Sept*

**Free BBQ at the Boat Ramp Park as part of the BCC sponsored Festival of Brisbane**

### *24th Sept*

**Club Social at the Jindalee Hotel**

### *26th Sept*

**RAWCS Workshop Bostock House**

### *11th Nov*

**Movie Fundraiser 'No Time to Die'**



**District 9620**

**District Conference**

**Caloundra**

**Caloundra Civic Centre**

**18—20 March 2022**



#### The Board for 2021 –22

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Nick Curry

# That was the week that was or TW3

**Raffle:** Gerry took the Sav Blanc home.

**Admin:**

- Neville mentioned the not-to-be-missed DG's visit next week.
- Neville and Andrew also attended the 100 years of Rotary dinner given by the Lord Mayor. Neville noted that both the Lord Mayor and Wendy, our DG, spoke well on the night.
- Since our usual Friday night social at the Jindalee Hotel is actually now the re-scheduled EKKA public holiday, we will move to have our usual EKKA BBQ at either the Boat Ramp Park or at 17 Mile Rocks park. Details to follow.
- Noted that we are on duty for the Brisbane Festival entertainment and free BBQ next Thursday at the Boat Ramp Park.
- We need a temporary Sergeant whilst Geoff is convalescing. Nick to prepare a roster where each nominee will serve one month.

**BeefBank:**

- We have received a grant of \$25,000 from The Clem Jones Foundation.

**Timor Leste and Fiji:** The container for Timor Leste is almost ready to send. Glenn needs to acquire some promised refurbished computers to send in the container. Andrew to arrange for couriers to collect the computers from Nundah and deliver.

Glenn and Graham Osterfield are meeting with Ray Deen (Archerfield) regarding the container intended for Fiji. Glenn is compiling a list of goods needed which includes sports gear (especially soccer) for both boys and girls.

Also noted is that the club is highlighting our work in Fiji and Timor Leste at the RAWCS workshop at Bostock House on Saturday 29 September.

We also have now booked a film night...showing the much delayed James Bond film; 'No time to Die'. Date is 11 November but please lay off the remembering jokes...we had enough at the meeting!

**From the Desk if the President:**

Andrew reiterated that we are on BBQ duty at the Brisbane Festival event which is on next Thursday from 5:00—7:00.

Terry Killen's office is moving and we have been contacted because there may be some redundant furniture which we can sell as a fund-raiser....funds to go towards the container transport above.

The subject of a street BBQ local to our current meeting place to inform and attract new members has been mooted for some time. Now that our website is now back on track and operational (although we still need to get more consistency with our other social media...e.g. consistent hashtags), we are now on course to launch this event. 22<sup>nd</sup> October has been set as the date in place of our normal breakfast meeting. Other clubs will be invited to join us.

Andrew and Nick visited the Peace Pole in Lorikeet Park on Monday where they spoke to about a dozen students from MOSS. Great time!



**Membership for District 9620**



Part of the Membership seminar held recently by PDG Jitendra Prasad.

Barbara Misfud, from Paramatta, outlined membership trends which showed some membership slippage and also the loss of a few clubs. However, D.9620 had also seen strong growth in new clubs which was encouraging. Membership diversity could be improved and retention was also slightly below average with unmet expectations and the club environment accounting for nearly half of our losses.

had increased membership in his district with a goal of one new member every day of the year...which was met. Andy said that Rotary was a 20th century model and that now, we needed to change to cater for today's more instant life.

8 million Australians are under 30 years old and many of our new roles models come from this group. Churchill said to improve is to change and to be perfect is to change often. In Andy's district, they now have new styles of clubs, for instance; a passport club where two thirds are women and most are under 25 years old. This club represent 18 different nations too. Also new is a corporate club involving 14 different companies. They meet once /month. Andy also spoke of different models attracting younger members using modern methods of communication. However there was also pressure at the other end of the age groups with the formation of a lifestyle club for retired corporate leaders at a retirement home.

In just one year, the district gained 383 members, formed five Rotary clubs, two satellite clubs and five other clubs because they created new model clubs which attracted new members. Pointing to D.9620 he noted that his district has 688 members under 30 years old compared to ours with only 17. 10% of his members are under the age of 40. However, D.9620 had a higher ration of female members .

Andy Rajapaske from D.9640 spoke about ways in which he

# Gordon R. McNally of Scotland selected to be 2023-24 Rotary International President

Gordon R. McNally, a member of the Rotary Club of South Queensferry, Lothian, Scotland, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International for 2023-24. He will be declared the president-nominee on 1 October if no challenging candidates have been suggested.

McNally lauded Rotary's ability to adapt technologically during the COVID-19 pandemic, saying the approach should continue and be combined with the best of our past practices as Rotary seeks to grow and increase engagement.

"We have learned there is a willingness within communities to care for one another," he says, "and we must ensure that we encourage people who have recently embraced the concept of volunteering to join us to allow them to continue giving service."

McNally says that senior leaders' ability to communicate directly with club members online will be one positive legacy of the changes Rotary has had to make. But, he adds, "face-to-face meetings remain important, as they encourage greater interaction."

The best way to increase membership is engagement, according to McNally. To better support clubs, he says, Rotary International, regional leaders, and district teams all need to engage with them. Engagement through social media will reinforce Rotary's brand and showcase the opportunities that come with it. And, he says, engagement with governments, corporations, and other organizations will lead to meaningful partnerships.

With better engagement, McNally says, "We will grow



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Rotary both by way of membership and in our ability to provide meaningful service."

He adds, "Membership is the lifeblood of our organization. I would encourage the use of the flexibility now available to establish new-style clubs that would appeal to a different demographic."

McNally, a graduate of dental surgery at the University of Dundee, owned and operated his own dental practice in Edinburgh. He was the chair of the East of Scotland branch of the British Paedodontic Society and has held various academic positions. He has also served as a Presbytery elder, chair of Queensferry Parish Congregational Board, and commissioner to the church's general assembly.

A Rotary member since 1984, McNally has been president and vice president of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland. He has also served Rotary International as a director and as member or chair of several committees. He is currently an adviser to the 2022 Houston Convention Committee and chair of the Operations Review Committee.

McNally and his wife, Heather, are Major Donors and Benefactors of The Rotary Foundation. They are also members of the Bequest Society.

	<b>Today (a while ago)!</b>
<b>1499</b>	Switzerland becomes an independent state
<b>1692</b>	The last hanging of those convicted of witchcraft in the Salem witch trials; others are all eventually released.
<b>1832</b>	During his HMS Beagle voyage Charles Darwin discovers a large number of fossils at Punta Alta in Argentina
<b>1862</b>	Abraham Lincoln says he will free slaves in all states on Jan 1
<b>1885</b>	Ben Chifley, Australian engineer and politician, 16th Prime Minister of Australia was born (d. 1951)
<b>1910</b>	The Duke of York's Cinema opened in Brighton. It is still operating today, making it the oldest continually operating cinema in Britain.  The Majestic Theatre in Pomona is the world's oldest continuously operating cinema running silent movies (not quite 100 years old).
<b>1937</b>	The first International Hobbit Day and the birthdays of Bilbo and Frodo Baggins
<b>1991</b>	The Dead Sea Scrolls are made available to the public for the first time.
<b>2021</b>	Earliest date for the autumnal equinox in the Northern Hemisphere and the vernal equinox in the Southern Hemisphere

# SMILE!

Never sing in the shower! Singing leads to dancing, dancing leads to slipping, and slipping leads to paramedics seeing you naked. So remember...Don't sing!

If 2020 was a math word-problem: If you're going down a river at 2 MPH and your canoe loses a wheel, how much pancake mix would you need to re-shingle your roof?

I see people about my age mountain climbing; I feel good getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.

**This post needs to be filled ASAP!**



**You've been warned**

**Good to know!**



**This is one clever advert**

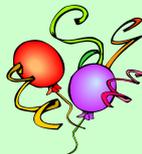


**There is no such thing as bad publicity**



**Happy Birthday to:**

- Kellie Filer**                    **16 August**
- Eleanor Killen**            **15 August**
- Glen Palmer**                **22 September**
- Graham Osterfield**       **10 August**
- Tracey Tucker**            **24 August**
- Ashleigh Tucker**        **23 September**
- James Tucker**            **20 August**



**Congratulations and happy anniversary to:**

**Ada and Michael Filer 19 September**



So if a cow doesn't produce milk, is it a milk dud or an udder failure?

I'm at that age where my mind still thinks I'm 29, my humour suggests I'm 12, while my body mostly keeps asking if I'm sure I'm not dead yet.

You don't realize how old you are until you sit on the floor and then try to get back up.

### The 4-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?

Duty	22/09/2021	6/10/2021
Chair	Nick Curry	Gerry Gebert
Duty Officer	Gerry Gebert	Graham Osterfield
Fellowship Officer	Neville Blomeley	John Woodward
Rotary talk	Dianne Scotte	Geoff Williams
Sergeant	Gerry Gebbert	Gerry Gebbert