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Thursday 9th March 2023

MARCH IS WATER & SANITATION MONTH

Club meets at **6:00 PM** for **6.30 PM** at the **WAGGA WAGGA RSL CLUB**, (unless stated otherwise below).

Duty Roster: As we don't have foreknowledge of future apologies when drawing up the Duty Officer listing, it is important that you arrange a replacement if you can't fulfil a listed duty and advise the Bulletin Reporter

Date:	16th March	23rd March	30th March
	Rotary Shine Awards	Social Night (at Book Sorting Shed)	Dr. Nitin Verma (East Timor Eye Project)
ATTENDANCE:	Awards Ceremony at Wagga Civic Centre	Jenny Masters David Kennedy	Philip Cross Geoff Treloar
SHORT & SWEET:		Neil Hilpern	Vicky Donoghue
FINES-MASTER:		Bryan Short	Terry Mecham
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:		N/R	Alok Sharma
VOTE OF THANKS:		N/R	Elle Palmer
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Vicky Donoghue	Peter Olson	Vida Smart
MEETINGS:	Nil	Nil	Board Meeting

Invocation: For good food, good fellowship, and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks.

Registration For Meetings: Members are required to register their attendance (and that of any guests) **BEFORE NOON ON THE MONDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING** using the link in the email that they receive each week. Failure to respond to the email by the deadline will mean no meal will be ordered for you. Members who have problems with registration should not hesitate to contact Graeme or Vicky.

Visitors who wish to join us please contact Club Sergeant Graeme Callander (graeme.callander43@gmail.com), or phone Vicky on 0407 586186 as early as possible.

Upcoming meetings:

At our club meeting this Thursday evening 16th March, President David is expecting a good roll up of members and their guests to the **Shine Awards at the Civic Centre, 6pm for 6.30pm start.. Alan Lean** has worked hard to get these awards back on track, and we can show our support by being there, welcoming visitors, offering water, and helping with the refreshments.



Alan reported that the agenda includes a Welcome by Mayor Dallas Tout, a speech from Dr Joe McGirr MLA, and photography by John Egan. There will be about 100 chairs arranged by council staff, with standing room at the back of the room. Food platters will be served from the small kitchen. **Wear your Rotary shirts and name badge.** The Awards recognise people with a disability in the workforce, and the employers who support them.



On the 23rd March the RSL is unavailable and the meeting will take the form of a **Social Night** – to be held at the **Book Sorting Shed.**

And one for your diary..... there will be **NO ROTARY MEETING on Thursday April 6th** (start of the Easter long weekend.)

MEETING REPORT Thursday 9th March: .

Attendance.

President David Wynne opened the meeting with the Invocation and a Toast to Women in Rotary following International Women's Day. He then welcomed our guests Clare Lawler (Rotaract), Celine Sharpe and Gabby Hewson (our RYLA reporters) and Damien Nye to give us an update on Aid to Ukraine.

Administration Matters.

- David gave **health updates** for Graeme Callander and Jane Heazlewood – both making progress.
- On Wednesday a group from our Club attended the “**Girls at the Centre**” International Women's Day function at Mount Austin Public School. It was a great couple of hours with the girls showcasing some of their talents. David was impressed by the wonderful demeanour of the girls who were extraordinarily polite and friendly. Danielle, the convenor of the program is thrilled to have us on board and a mentorship roster will be drawn up. He thanked Graham Russell and Peter Olson on the barbie, and Vida, Jenny, Vicky, Margaret and Marion for their support.
- **Alan Lean** also proudly told us of a new book to which his daughter Sally has contributed a chapter, *Voices of Impact*. It is #1 on Amazon's Personal Success bestseller list, Alan noted that it is 50 years since he first joined Rotary.
- At the **Combined Presidents meeting** on Tuesday the following matters were of interest:
 - The Koorungal Club reported that next year's Science and Engineering Challenge will be held in April.
 - The Wollundry Club's Food and Wine Fair is on 25th March and some helpers will be needed.
 - The eClub of Brindabella have a float in Saturday's Mardi Gras parade.
 - Be aware that the Shelterbox organisation use 30% of the donations in administration costs (compare this to RAWCs projects deducting only 2.5%).

- **The Book Fair** is now only **10 weeks away**, and obviously, stock-building is a priority. Remind your friends and family to sort out good quality books they no longer need and donate – maybe pick them up and bring along to our meeting on 23rd March at the shed, or on any Tuesday afternoon sorting, where any sorters are welcome. **Our Book Donations flyer is attached below– copy and place where you can.**
- The fund raising **High Tea function for Lilier Lodge** on Sunday 19 March is booked out.

Term 1 Clontarf Roster:

Date	Person 1	Person 2
24 March @0800hrs	Graeme Callander	
	End of term1: 6 April	

Entrance to Mount Austin High School is via a Car Park in Leavenworth Drive (second gate on your left if travelling West from Lake Albert Road).

The Clontarf Room can be seen from the car park as you look towards the school. The BBQ itself is usually just outside the Clontarf Classroom.

Guest Speaker 1:

Damian Nye returned to the Club to report on his recent aid expedition to Ukraine. He told us that, during the six weeks in the country his team delivered 35 tonnes of aid to civilians in many towns and villages to the north, east and south of the capital Kyiv, covering many thousands of kilometres in their 3-vehicle convoy, including a large delivery van, and six people. It was winter and cold (-15 degrees C). They buy their goods from stores in Kyiv (good value) and have tripled the size of their warehouse on the outskirts of the city.



They have been working alongside a local organisation, *Ukrainian Patriot*. They often personally deliver to the elderly up flights of stairs to their units. In a typical five days on the road, they would visit ten locations and travel 3,000 kilometres. Damian says that the safety of the crew is paramount, and with planning and intelligence information they have always felt safe. He is grateful for the support of our club. More at <https://sv-se.facebook.com/people/Ukrainian-Patriot-Aust/100088911002104/>



Damian (centre) with some of the team



Supplies being distributed.

Guest Speakers 2

Vida Smart introduced Gabrielle Hewson (accountant) and Celine Sharp (early childhood educator), who were Rotary Youth Leadership Award attendees sponsored by our Club.

RYLA for District 9705 was held this year at the Warrambui Retreat and Conference Centre near Murrumbateman from Saturday 7 January to Friday 13 January. RYLA aims to develop individual's communication and problem-solving skills, to learn from others, and to forge new friendships. Our young ladies gave a most

comprehensive account of their week-long program that involved 45 participants working with several presenters and mentors. They both felt that they had gained much from the experience, and thanked our Club for the valuable sponsorship.



The meeting concluded with the singing of the National Anthem. (Don't forget the opening lines now should be:- Australians all let us rejoice, For we are one and free;)

PLEASE BLOCK-OUT THE FOLLOWING DATES IN YOUR DIARY: -

16 th Mar 23	Rotary Club of Wagga – SHINE AWARDS. (In place of our regular meeting)
17 th /19 th Mar 23	P.E.T. Training/'Club Assembly' (Merimbula)
30 th Mar 23	Board Meeting
31 st Mar/2 nd Apr 23	P.E.T. Training/'Club Assembly' (Orange)
Thursday 6 th April	NO WAGGA ROTARY MEETING
11 th May 23	RYDA day (Our Club is Rostered)
20/21 May 23	Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga – ANNUAL BOOK FAIR.
29 th June 23	Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga CHANGEOVER.
12 th Jul 23	Lilier Lodge Casserole night.
13 th Sept 23	Lilier Lodge BBQ night.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

Birthdays: Marion Moran 14/3

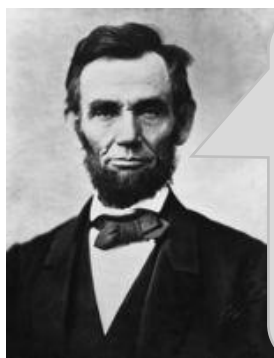
(12 March – 18 March)

Rotary Anniversaries: Mary Ann Kelly (2007) 15/3

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



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The Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga



BOOK FAIR

Welcomes Good Quality Book Donations

Next Fair 20th & 21st May 2023 at the Wagga Showground

- WE WELCOME:**
RECENT BOOKS IN VERY GOOD CONDITION
- WE CAN'T USE:**
AGED MATERIAL IN POOR CONDITION
or Encyclopaedias, Texts, Magazines, CD's, & DVD's

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* Riverina Model Cars Plus, Unit 7, 23 Copland St.
Monday – Friday 9am – 4pm.

(If Collection is required, (leave contact details on our website
www.waggarotary.org)

