

ROTARYCLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA



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THE FOUR WAY TEST:

Of the things we think, say or do: -

- > Is it the truth?
- > Is it fair to all concerned?
- > Will it build goodwill & better friendships?
- > Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

BULLETIN NO: 01.

Thursday 7th July, 2022.

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

Duty Roster Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty & inform our Bulletin Reporter.

Date:	Thursday 14 th Jul.	Thursday 21 st Jul.	Thursday 28 th Jul.
PROGRAMME:	(1) Gary Roberts – ROMAC. (2) Peter Olson – Matt Campbell	TBA	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Elle Palmer David Kennedy	Ellen Brasier Elle Palmer	Geoff Treloar Vicky Donoghue
GREETER:	Renas Khalaf	Alan Lean	Jenny Masters
SHORT & SWEET:	Bill Prest – Koala Sanctuary.	Justin Roby - Zoonotic Diseases.	Elle Palmer
FINES-MASTER:	Gordon Saggers	Peter Smart	David Cannon
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Not Required	Don Pembleton	TBA
VOTE OF THANKS:	Not Required	Vida Smart	Peter Smart
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Ellen Brasier	David Kennedy	Bryan Short
MEETINGS:	Nil	Nil	Nil

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

IMPORTANT: If you're unable to attend a meeting? Please lodge an apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE

6922 6444 (Ext. 1) by **NOON** on **TUESDAY** (or pre-record same in the book provided at the meeting attendance table).

Also, for catering purposes, please advise if bringing a guest to a meeting.

MEETING REPORT: -

How privileged we were to be in attendance at David Wynne's (aka Wynnie) first night presiding over our gathering. To compensate for David's modest stature, Club Sergeant, Graeme provided a milk crate (for Wynnie to ascend – see photograph below) so that all could clearly see him.

Attendance.

Thirty-three of our members were in attendance on this evening, plus David Benn, a visiting Rotarian from the Wollundry Rotary Club undertaking a 'make-up'. It is interesting to note that David hasn't missed a Rotary meeting in some 38 years as a Rotarian.

In addition, Paul Galloway demonstrated his desire to lower the average age of our Club by introducing two of his grandchildren, Nicholas & Georgina Curtis, as his dinner guests.



Vale Rob Sharkie.



The meeting observed a minutes silence to allow all to reflect upon the life of good friend and fellow Rotarian Dr Rob Sharkie (PHF + Sapphire Pin). Rob passed away on 4th July at age 83, following an extended period of ill health. He was an active member of Rotary for 47 years having originally joined the Rotary Club of Lindfield in 1975; subsequently transferring to the Wagga Wagga Rotary Club in 1991.

Rob had a diversified career ranging from retail sales & marketing, stud cattle breeding to academia (while lecturing at CSU, he gained a Master of Business Management, Master of Education, Diploma of Vocational Education & Training and finally a PhD).

He had wide ranging interests – in addition to family and Rotary (and not in any specific order) his interests included his dogs, good red wine and the Collingwood Football Club.

We extended our sympathy to Rhonda and Rob's extended family.

Administrative Matters.

President David advised as follows: -

- ◆ He will be seeking some input and constructive comment from members (possibly by a show of hands) on some novel ideas that he is considering introducing to our meetings. He is open to any comments that members may wish to offer.
- ◆ The role of Greeter is to be reintroduced at our meetings (whilst COVID rules permit).
- ◆ The casserole night in support of Lillier Lodge was successful and the dishes were returned to those who participated – with thanks. Terry Mecham displayed an award certificate issued to our Club (see photo below).
- ◆ The BBQ Team will be operating a food outlet at the CHACA Swap Meet at the Wagga Wagga Showground
 Stall 306 on Sunday 17th July (see roster below).
- ◆ Our International Service Committee will embrace the project, Sunflowers for Ukraine. Details to follow.
- ◆ Elaine Almond attended the District Change-Over meeting and provided a brief summary.

- ◆ Thanks to Gary Roberts and Graeme Callander for their efforts to construct a chicken coop at a local primary school.
- ◆ Vida is updating the Clontarf Friday morning breakfast roster.
- Ron Crouch has volunteered to address the Clontarf boys with details of employment opportunities in the trucking/logistics industry.
- ◆ Our Club is in the process of upgrading the Clontarf BBQ with a donation of \$750-00.
- ◆ Philip Cross is in the process of revising and updating the membership contact list. Any required changes need to be advised to Phil ASAP (Text to 0407 493 120).

Short & Sweet.

Mike Murray, having just been allowed re-admittance into Australia after visiting the 'Old Country', entertained us with some of the highlights of his English visit. One might question the reason for his visit as his entire presentation was based upon public houses (better known as pubs) that he visited. He demonstrated an intimate knowledge of the J D Wetherspoons chain of outlets – the organisation was established around 1979 and has since grown to over 925 outlets. The cost of a pint ranged from £1-49 to £2-49 depending upon the location and the related overheads.



Fines Session.

Graeme Russell lightened our change purses with some light-hearted fines.



In moving away from our normal custom, he fined our visiting Rotarian, David Benn - who, as stated above has maintained an impeccable record of thirty eight years of Rotary attendance (including make-ups). He claimed that David 'needs a life'.

And a gem – in the life of an ant sexer, how can one tell the sex of an ant? (a) You put it into some water, if it sinks it's a girl ant – if it floats, it's (a) buoyant (boom boom).

David Friedlieb again won the Lucky Door Prize – and was penalised appropriately.

OUR NEW ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:-

Jennifer Jones from Ontario, Canada made history this year; in a groundbreaking decision, she has been elected to the presidency of Rotary International. This selection makes her the first woman ever to hold that office in Rotary's 115-year history.



Jennifer holds a Doctor of Laws (LL.D) and is founder and president of Media Street Productions Inc., a successful Canadian media company. She has been chair of the board of governors of the University of Windsor and chair of the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce, as well as being recognised for her service with the YMCA Peace Medallion, the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Medal, and Wayne State University's Peacemaker of the Year Award, a first for a Canadian.

She has been a member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario for the past 25 years. She is also a Rotary Foundation Trustee and has served Rotary as RI Vice President, Director, training leader, committee chair, moderator, and District Governor. She played a lead role in Rotary's rebranding effort by serving as chair of the Strengthening Rotary's Advisory Group. She is also the co-chair of

the End Polio Now Countdown to History Campaign Committee, which aims to raise \$US150 million for polio eradication efforts.

Jennifer stated that she sees Rotary's Action Plan as a catalyst for increasing Rotary's impact. "As we reflect upon our new strategic priorities, we could have never envisioned that our ability to adapt would become our North Star during what is inarguably the most profound time in recent history," Jones said in her vision statement. "Silver linings rise out of the most challenging circumstances. Using metric-driven goals, I will harness this historic landscape to innovate, educate, and communicate opportunities that reflect today's reality."

As the first woman to be nominated to be president, Jennifer understands how important it is to follow through on Rotary's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Statement. "I believe that diversity, equity, and inclusion ... begins at the top and for us to realise growth in female membership and members under the age of forty — these demographics need to see their own reflection in leadership," she said. "I will champion double-digit growth in both categories while never losing sight of our entire family."

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We look forward to an exciting and challenging year.

BBQ ROSTER FOR CHACA BBQ (17th July Stall 306 Wagga Showground):-

TIME 7 AM – 9 AM	TIME 9 AM – 11 AM	TIME 11 AM – 1 PM	TIME 1 PM – 3 PM	TIME 3 PM -DEATH
Graeme Callander	Elaine Almond	Don Pembleton	Don Pembleton	Don Pembleton
Don Pembleton	Don Pembleton	John Heazlewood	Vida Smart	Terry Mecham
Gary Roberts	Renas Khalaf	Peter Olson	David Kennedy	
Elle Palmer	David Wynne	Renas Khalaf	Peter Smart	
David Wynne	David Friedlieb	David Friedlieb	David Cannon	
Terry Mecham	Terry Mecham	Bill Prest	Bill Prest	
		Phillip Cross	Phillip Cross	

DISTRICT 9705 CONFERENCE 2022/23:-

This year's District Conference will be held at Joyes Hall (CSU campus) Wagga Wagga over the weekend 21/23 October. It will feature a number of keynote speakers, workshops and plenty of opportunities for networking.

The conference dinner on Saturday is an Op Shop themed event and attendees are encouraged to don some creative outfits.

Pleae 'block out' this weekend – further details will be available as the date draws closer.

NEXT MEETING: -

Due to prior commitments, the Wagga Wagga Country Club is unavailable to us next week so our meeting will be hosted at the **Book Sorting Facility in Copland Street**, where we will enjoy the culinary capabilities of our very own BBQ Team. Normal start time (6:00 PM for 6:30 PM).

Apologies and visitors details for catering purposes still need to be advised – in the established manner.

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE: -

Annual subscriptions are now due. Members should, by now, have received a message from Club Treasurer, Nepal regarding this.

Our board has decided to keep costs unchanged from last year.

The preferred method of payment is via electronic transfer to the Club's General Account: -

Acc Name: Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga Inc (General Acc)

Bank: Beyond Bank - BSB: 325 185

03739311 **Account Number:**

Facilities exist for paying six-monthly if required. Please talk to Nepal if you wish to avail yourself of this option.

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

Sun 17th July CHACA BBQ (WAGGA SHOWGROUNDS)

Wed 21st Sept **BBQ** for Lilier Lodge

21/23 Oct **D9705 Conference (CSU Wagga Wagga)**

Thu 1st Dec **Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga SHINE AWARDS**

THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Pres David on his Milk Crate.



Presentation of the Lillier Lodge Certificate.



David Collects the Lucky Door Prize.



Marion & Bill 'Catching Up'





David & Mike - 'Which Barber Shop Graham conducts the Fines Session. do you attend?'

Birthdays: Kanwal Singh (13/07)

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries: Karel & Wendy Bijker (10/07).

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By replacing your morning coffee with green tea, you can lose up to 87% of what little joy you still have left in your life.



Everyone was seated around the table as the food was being served. When little Johnny received his plate, he started eating straight away.

"Jonny, wait until we've said our prayer," his mother reminded him.

"I don't have to." – the little boy replied.

"Of course you do." - his mother insisted. "We say a prayer before eating at our house."

"That's at our house," Johnny explained, "but this is Grandma's house and she knows how to cook."

Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator?

