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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA Inc. - CHARTERED 1930

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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: 02.** 

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2022.

# JULY IS ROTARY RENEWAL AS NEW CLUB LEADERSHIP COMMENCES MONTH.

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

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

Date:	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> Jul.	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Jul.	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Aug.
PROGRAMME:	TBA	TBA	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Ellen Brasier Elle Palmer	Geoff Treloar Elaine Almond	Elle Palmer Bruce Barber
GREETER:	Alan Lean	Jenny Masters	Terry Mecham
SHORT & SWEET:	Justin Roby - Zoonotic Diseases.	Elle Palmer	David Payne
FINES-MASTER:	Peter Smart	David Cannon	Alok Sharma
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Don Pembleton	TBA	TBA
VOTE OF THANKS:	Vida Smart	Peter Smart	Rajinder Singh
BULLETIN REPORTER:	David Kennedy	Bryan Short	Peter Veerhuis
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: -**

#### Attendance.



President David, suitably clad for the cooler weather, welcomed twenty-six members to our Book-Sorting 'Home' in Copland Street. In addition, we welcomed one Club Guest, Tiffany Pervis.

There were twenty apologies recorded.

The welcome was followed by the Rotary Invocation and toast to Rotary Australia and the Rotary Clubs of Sri Lanka.

#### Administrative Matters.

President David reported: -

a) There was no fine session scheduled for this meeting so in lieu, members were invited to support the

**Sunflower Seeds for Ukraine Project**. We are pleased to report that: -

- \$140 was raised from those in attendance.
- Our International Committee plan to sell Sunflower Seeds at the BBQ at Saturday's Swap Meet.
- Each member is encouraged to take ten packets of seeds to sell – for at least a gold coin.
- POLAND

  BELARUS

  POLAND

  Kyiv

  UKRAINE

  RUSSIA

  Odessa

  CRIMEA

  Black
  Sea
- b) **District 9705 News** Libby O'Brien, the District Rotaract Representative is looking to reform the committee looking to recruit additional members. Those with sales & marketing type talents, who have an inclination to participate in this committee should contact President David for further details.
- c) **National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)** Our Club has one candidate namely Karina Zhang. Karina is a Year 11 student at The Riverina Anglican College.
- d) Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) We have two applicants for this event. They will be interviewed in the near future by members of the Youth Committee
- e) In order to minimise any COVID risk at our weekly meetings, President David has requested that we return to six persons per table.
- f) In order to cut back weekly meeting costs, your Board has decided that there will no longer be a weekly **Lucky Door Prize**. Instead, the winner will be granted indemnity from paying fines at that meeting.

## Clontarf Breakfasts.



Vida Smart has circulated a roster for members to complete regarding attendance at the Friday Morning Clontarf BBQ Breakfasts. There are still a few vacancies on the roster and members wishing to participate in this worthy project should contact Vida (Mob: 0412 805 463) to have a date allocated to them. A current 'Working With Children Check' is essential for this project.

# Special Invitation.

Margaret (Rob) Uhk (Mob: 418 459 049) Secretary Dist 9705 & District Governor Nominee (2024-2025) has advised that the Rotary E-Club of Brindabella will be holding a **TRIVIA NIGHT** at the Wagga RSL club on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October and our Club is encouraged to support them by fielding at least one table. Further information and registrations will be available as we get closer to the event.

## AFTER DINNER - A SPECIAL PRESENTATION BY PETER OLSON: -

Peter Olson related the story of Chris Buchan, a Coolamon lad, who at the age of 19 years (some thirty one years ago) dived into the surf at Bateman's Bay, fractured his fifth & sixth vertebrae and was left a quadriplegic.

After seven months of gruelling physio and a spine fusion he was in need in constant care and was transported to his parent's home.

Two years later he was taken to the Sydney Central coast area where he lived with the assistance of a Carer. He saw no one from the time the Carer left in the evening until he/she returned the following day. He developed a stomach ulcer and was left in temporary state of being unable to see or speak for a while and ended up with a colostomy

Chris lived by himself with a Carer and his beloved dogs for 31 years.

About ten years ago Chris discovered painting with acrylics and has a large collection of art work. He has held a few successful exhibitions, donating 10% of proceeds to either the Rural Fire Brigade or to Surf Life Saving.

Chris has also written books for children and has recently written his life story titled "The Mad Rantings of a Discombobulated Cripple". A copy of this book is available, for only \$24.95 as either a hard copy or as an 'E' book through the following link: -

# www.deaddingoesdesigning.com.au

A fund raising exhibition is planned for August, at the Curious Rabbit Books and Art Gallery in Wagga. It is envisaged that it will be a three day 'pop-up display' of his work. Sales will be by both live and silent auction run by our own formidable auctioneer, President David Wynne. Half of the proceeds will be donated to Save the Children's Fund. Chris's Book will also be available for sale at this exhibition.

Further details can be obtained from Facebook or by contacting The Curious Rabbit on (02) 6921 5391.

Chris dreams of purchasing a wheelchair that he can take onto the sand. The cost of this is around \$50,000. President David asked us to think about how we can be of assistance.

#### **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. Please 'block out' this weekend – further details will be available as the weekend draws closer.

#### ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE: -

Annual subscriptions are now due. 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

Account Number: 03739311

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

#### **NEXT MEETING: -**

Next Meeting is to be held back at the Wagga Wagga Country Club.

A reminder to apologise (and advise guest numbers) in the normal way. (i.e. Contact the Country Club Office Phone (02) 6922 6444 [Extension One] no later than noon on Tuesday).

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

Wed 21<sup>st</sup> Sept BBQ – Lilier Lodge

◆ Fri 7<sup>th</sup> Oct E-Club Brindabella Trivia Night (Wagga RSL Club)

◆ 21/23 Oct D9705 Conference (Joyes Hall, CSU Wagga Wagga)

◆ Thu 1<sup>st</sup> Dec Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga SHINE AWARDS

♦ 20/21 May 2023 Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga BOOK FAIR

# A SAMPLE OF THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Club Guest Tiffany Pervis.



Peter Olson presents the Chris Buchan Story.



Bulletin Reporter Ellen – is following the Story.



Birthdays: Mary Ann Kelly (23/07).

Rotary Anniversaries: Gary Roberts (23/07/20 + Murrumbidgee 2007/19 & Kooringal 1981/07)

Wedding Anniversaries: John & Carol Studdert (17/07) & Graham & Lyn Russell (19/07).

# ≈ KOOKABURRAL ≈



A young boy was waiting for his mother to come out of the pharmacy. As he waited, he was approached by a man who asked, "Son, can you tell me where the Post Office is?"

The little boy replied, "Sure! Just go straight down this street a coupla blocks and turn to your right."



The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new pastor in town. I'd like for you to come to church on Sunday. I'll show you how to get to Heaven."

The little boy replied with a chuckle. "You're kidding me, right? You don't even know the way to the Post Office!"



# There's a fine line between a numerator and a denominator.

Only a fraction of people will find this funny.