



**ROTARY CLUB
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: 03.

Thursday 21st 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 28 th Jul.	Thursday 4 th Aug.	Thursday 11 th Aug.
PROGRAMME:	Three Member's Presentations.	TBA	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Geoff Treloar Elaine Almond	Elle Palmer Bruce Barber	Vicky Donoghue Shishir Bhengra
GREETER:	Jenny Masters	Terry Mecham	Marion Moran
SHORT & SWEET:	Graeme Callander	David Payne	Don Pembleton
FINES-MASTER:	David Cannon	Alok Sharma	Paul Galloway
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	TBA	TBA	TBA
VOTE OF THANKS:	Peter Smart	Rajinder Singh	Bryan Short
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Bryan Short	Peter Veerhuis	Vida Smart
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.

Although we had a reasonable attendance, it was still six members short of the catered number which was provided to the caterers from the apologies received prior to noon on Tuesday. This generated a loss of some \$180.00 that must be funded from club funds. As we all know, the caterer charges for the number advised. Members are strongly encouraged to be mindful of this situation.

Administrative Matters.

President David reported: -

1. Thanks to the effort of Sect Ellen and her supporters, our club has applied for, and been granted, a District Grant for an amount of \$2,250. A detailed report will be presented once a few minor details are 'ironed out'.
2. Our barbecue last Sunday, at the CHACA Swap Meet netted around \$700. Thanks to those who 'braved the elements' and participated. We hope to be bigger and better at this event next year. The 'Sunflower Seeds for Ukraine' project run in conjunction with the BBQ was also successful with in excess of \$140 being collected.
3. Bill Prest is an inpatient at the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital with few minor problems and for some check-ups. He expects to be discharged back to home by the weekend
4. The "Darkness to Light" program is to resume after almost three years in abeyance because of Covid. We look forward to hearing more from Alok as plans develop.
5. Peter Olson has a supply of the book he spoke on last week. It covers the life story, complete with photos and artistic prints of Chris Campbell. Copies are available from Peter at a cost of only \$25.00.
6. Club Subscriptions are now due.

Vale Phil Jackson.



Members were saddened to learn that Phil Jackson passed away yesterday (20th July) at 9.15pm at age 90. Phil joined Wagga Rotary Club in 1980 and was active up until a few years ago, when he reverted to Honorary Membership, due to his failing health. He had been a well-regarded member and was our Sergeant-at-Arms for many years.

Phil excelled at Rugby League having played twenty seven representative games for England, culminating in the 1957 World Cup in Australia. He actually captained the last game of that tour and was nominated as best player. In 2001, he was inducted into the Barrow (UK) Hall of Fame.

Subsequent knee surgery rendered him unfit for the game at an elite level, so he, along with his family, emigrated to Australia where he had been appointed to captain/coach a club in Goulburn. He adapted well to

coaching, and was very successful. In 1960, prior to 'State of Origin, the main rugby league event, short of international representation, was City v Country, and Phil, as Country Coach was the first (and possibly the only) coach to lead Country to victory over the star-studded City side.

We extend our sympathies to Ruth, their three daughters and one son. The funeral service will take place at St John's Anglican church on Friday 29th July, commencing at 2:00 PM.

Fines Session.

Peter Smart opened with the usual birthdays and anniversaries, and then moved on to Lyndal who won the lucky-door prize. Now according to the new rules of our club, the winner of the luck-door prize doesn't have to pay for any fines, but apparently Lyndal, being the first winner of this cherished drawer, deserved a fine.



- Graeme Callander was fined for not adjusting the microphone, and David Cannon was fined for lack of microphone technique at Rob Sharkie's funeral.
- Those who noticed the sunflowers in the Tour de France broadcast.
- 'Know-All' Phil Cross for correctly answering where the tour commenced (Copenhagen).
- All Americans in the room.

Alok issued a cross fine – for all those who enjoyed the dessert – there were no fines offered.

Short & Sweet.

A wonderful and interesting "Short & Sweet" was given by our Club guest, Dr Justin Roby, who provided a preliminary talk on Zoonotic diseases.

Justin has just commenced at the CSU with a \$4 million grant to research on further virology. He is planning his research in four different fields:

- Epidemiology
- Molecular Virology
- Translational Virology.
- Community Outreach, particularly embracing First Nation peoples and especially encouraging young people in the indigenous community.



Foot and mouth disease and Hendra are two of the viruses that he is studying. He is also open for any concerns, ideas or requests people may have in this field.

Once the program is 'up and running', Justin will attend our club again and elaborate further.

Special Invitation.

Jenny Lovekin (Brindabella E. Club) has advised that the E-Club will be hosting a **TRIVIA NIGHT** at the Wagga RSL club on Friday 7th October (Theme: wear a funny hat – right ‘up our alley’); sounds like it’ll be a fun night. The event is raising monies for Australian Rotary Mental Health Research. President David is keen to support this by fielding at least two table. Names of those participating will be recorded at one of our subsequent meeting, so block out the date.

Henrik Sogaard.



Henrik, who as a Rotary exchange student from Denmark, spent most of 2005 with Wagga Rotary Club in 2005. Phil Cross, has maintained contact with Henrik, and reported that his wife Rikke produced their first child, a baby girl, Martha on 15th July.

All reports are that both mother and daughter are doing just fine – we’re still awaiting news on Henrik’s condition.

Meeting Conclusion.



President Dave signed off the night with a joke; a monkey and his owner came into a pub and the monkey proceeded to devour peanuts, cherries, chips, cheese and finally a pool-ball. The next week, the monkey and his owner are back again, and once again the monkey heads for the peanuts, cherries, chips & cheese, but this time carefully holds each one up and wipes it across his bottom.

When asked what he’s doing this for, the owner replies, “Well after last week and the problem of passing the pool-ball, he measures everything first.”

After singing the National Anthem, there being no further business, the meeting ended at 8:15 PM – possibly a record for Wynnies the Pres.

AFTER DINNER – KEY-NOTE SPEAKER: -

ROMAC Our speaker was our own PDG Gary Roberts, who has been connected and served with the Rotary Oceanic Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC) for many years.

ROMAC has been in existence for 33 years and seen some 537 children treated, all of them from our Pacific Region where specialist treatment was not available.

The first patient was Lambosa from Fiji who had been very badly burnt in a kerosene fire. Eight more cases followed in the next four years.

The age group catered is children 15 years and younger, and the aim is to give them hope, dignity, surgical expertise and of course a new life.

The main areas treated are heart problems, untreated fractures, tumours and scoliosis.

The children are referred by a specialist who is visiting the country and all ROMAC workers are volunteers. The scheme receives NO GOVERNMENT FUNDING and thus cannot exist without Rotary support.

Assessments must be carried out first, and these fields include:

- A medical referral to determine if an operation can be done
- The likelihood of success and what will be the child's future.
- The cost
- Can Visas and passports be obtained for the patient & carer.
- Accommodation for family whilst the child is under treatment.

Canberra Hospital has agreed to undertake four surgery cases per year for a cost of \$5,000 each. The full price would run into, in some cases, more than \$100,000.



Canberra has just had a young child with a tumour on the hip that was excised and the tumor weighed 3.5 Kg. The weight of the child after removal of the tumour was 3.0 Kg.

The Boson co-joined twins were another case that attracted international interest, for they were joined at the chest and underwent much preparation and many hours of operations at the royal Melbourne Hospital for a very successful separation.

Many other examples were mentioned and I'm sure all of us were proud to be a member of this wonderful organisation that does such meaningful and worthwhile work.

ROSTER FOR CLONTARF FOUNDATION BBQ BREAKFASTS:-

Vida has prepared the table below for members representing Rotary at the Friday morning breakfasts for school term three. Please note 'your slot' in your diary

Those participating in these events need to be at Mount Austin High School at 8:00 AM to gain security admission to the school grounds. Use the eastern car park on Leavenworth Drive (first car Park on left if coming down the hill from Lake Albert/Koorinal): -

29 th Jul	Peter Smart	Margaret Everett
5 th Aug	Dave Wynne	Brad Bland
12 th Aug	John Heazlewood	
19 th Aug	David Friedlieb	Bryan Short
26 th Aug	Gordon Siggers	Elaine Almond
2 nd Sep	Graeme Callander	Ellie Palmer
9 th Sep	Tony Hutchinson	David Cannon
16 th Sep	Peter Olson	David Kennedy

NEXT MEETING: -

Next meeting will see us again hosted at the Wagga Wagga Country Club.

President David is keen to 'inject' some fun and membership participation into our meetings and consequently has agreed to three member's presentations titled Mixed Grill, Haggis and Carbonara.

One can only wonder! You'll just have to be there to see what eventuates.

Don't forget to register guests for catering as well as any apologies. Let's all assist to avoid a reoccurrence of the scenario described above (Attendance).



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

- ◆ **Fri 7th Oct** **E-Club Brindabella Trivia Night (Wagga RSL Club)**
- ◆ **21/23 Oct** **D9705 Conference (Joyes Hall, CSU Wagga Wagga)**
- ◆ **Thu 1st 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: -



It's Good to see Alok back – and still in fine form.



Peter – taking sale orders for Chris Campbell's Book.



Philip announces the arrival of Martha Sogaard..

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(24th Jul – 30th Jul)

- Birthdays:** Alan Lean (06/08).
- Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil.
- Wedding Anniversaries:** Neil & Shirley Hilpern (28/07).



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the birds to grow once
I plant them.**