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Thursday 9th Feb 2023

FEBRUARY IS PEACEBUILDING AND CONFLICT PREVENTION MONTH

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

Duty Roster: If you cannot fulfil your rostered duty, please arrange for a replacement & inform the Bulletin Reporter.

Date:	16th February	23rd February	2nd March
PROGRAMME:	Dr Joe McGirr	Kieran Molloy/Ned Evans Wellways	Comedy Night
ATTENDANCE:	Margaret Keys Philip Cross	Jenny Masters Vicky Donoghue	David Kennedy Ellen Brasier
SHORT & SWEET:	Paul Galloway	Nepal Ghosh	Bruce Heydon
FINES-MASTER:	Alok Sharma	Lyndal Seymour	Peter Olson
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	David Cannon	TBA	Not required
VOTE OF THANKS:	Graham Russell	TBA	Not required
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Vicky Donoghue	Don Pembleton	Bryan Short
MEETINGS:	Nil	Board meeting 8pm	Nil

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. Visitors who wish to join us please contact Club Sergeant Graeme Callander as early as possible. Details on our Club website (waggarotary.org).

MEETING REPORT: -

Attendance:



The meeting was opened & chaired by our President Elect, John Heazlewood (wearing his "L" plates), who led with the Invocation and a toast to the Australian Cricket team to have Injuries few & scoring prolific. Thirty-three members were in attendance, with a special 'welcome back' to Alok Sharma, David Cannon and Graham Gorrel (Hon Member). We also welcomed guests Ali Reid. Rod Kendall and Joan Veerhuis.

Administration Matters.

- **Change in seating arrangements.**

The seating for this meeting was set up in a "Herringbone" arrangement with 6 to a table. This is to be trialed for 2 weeks, but the overall response during the evening was most favourable.

- Club members were informed that Bill Prest (Hon Member) has moved From Riverina Gums to Gumleigh Gardens in Shaw Street.
- Wollundry Rotary Club is once again conducting its **Photo Competition**. The dates published last week were incorrect. Further details will be circulated when they come to hand.
- Term 1 Clontarf Roster:

Date	Person 1	Person 2
17 February @0800hrs	Don Pembleton	Peter Olson
24 February @0800hrs	John Heazlewood	
03 March @0800hrs	Tony Hutchinson	John Studdert
10 March @0800hrs	David Wynne	Brad Bland
17 March @0800hrs	David Payne	
24 March @0800hrs	Graeme Callander	
	End of term1 is 6 April	

Entrance to Mount Austin High School is via a Car Park in Leavenworth Drive (second 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.

- **Science & Engineering Challenge:** Members were reminded that this event will be held on **Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd March**. Bryan Short is our Club contact for this, and he is still **seeking volunteers** to assist. It is a wonderful opportunity to interact with some very enthusiastic students and witness their ability to rise to a challenge.

Additional Speaker:

Ali Reid from STARTTS (Service for Treatment And Rehabilitation of Tortured and Trauma Survivors) spoke to us on how STARTTS helps people from refugee backgrounds, including asylum seekers, who were forced to leave their country due to persecution in the context of political conflict, organised violence and human rights violations. Ali was appealing for couples, or single ladies to host women in pairs from Western Sydney for 2 nights for a weekend experience of country hospitality and a taste of rural life.

Please see attached Flyer at the end of this bulletin for more details.



Short & Sweet:



David Friedlieb decided to enlighten us with some political history, seeing we had Rod Kendall (former Mayor & present Councillor) as our speaker. Thus, David spoke about Cleaver Bunton, who was elected to the Albury Municipal Council in 1925 (at 22 years of age). After initially retiring in 1931, he returned to the council in 1937, was elected Mayor of Albury in 1945 and served in that position from 1946 until August 1976 (with brief breaks in 1961 and 1972–73). He came to national prominence in 1975 when he was controversially appointed to the Senate by New South

Wales Liberal Party Premier, Tom Lewis, to fill a position vacated by an Australian Labor Party member. His senate career only lasted 9 months, as he decided not to contest the election which occurred after 'the dismissal'. Of course, very quickly David's presentation reverted to football, and he noted that Cleaver was also an outstanding exponent of the game, and a very long serving administrator. His younger brother Haydn is also the most decorated player to ever play the game. His awards include 3 Brownlow Medals, 3 Sandover Medals (WAFL B & F), AFL Hall of Fame Legend, AFL Team of the Century, Fitzroy Team of the Century, Albury Team of the Century, and the NSW Greatest Team.

Want to know more?? <https://www.nswfootballhistory.com.au/haydnbunton>

Fines:

As usual, Graham Russell does deserve the title of "Fines Master" for he seemed to target most of us with a joke and extract our cash with ease.

E.g. – David Friedlieb had a friend who died young, and when he got to Heaven he complained about being taken so early. The reply was that as he was a friend of David Friedlieb, who had over-achieved so much and been so lucky almost filling out 2 lives, that the extra years had to be taken up by his friend which gave him an age of 89.

Another member cooked his first meat pie and was very upset that the cat had eaten it. His friend consoled him and told him not to worry, that he'd get him a new cat tomorrow.

Stories about pigs, imaginary friends and many other topics were skillfully hung on unsuspecting members who all paid up with smiles on their faces. It's always fun when Graham dishes out the fines!!



Guest Speaker:



Contrary to what most of us expected, Rod spoke about his recreational passion.....flying.

Rod recalled how his interest in flying began at 7 years of age with control-line model planes. He then gained his Pilot's Licence in 1989 and immediately fulfilled a passion. This passion however proved very expensive with hire costs, fuel cost, medical examinations, and changes in legislation. With all these factors in mind, and still keen to fly, he bought a home-built Jabiru aircraft

which had a 3.3 litre engine and could fly using only about \$40 per hour of fuel including maintenance.

Thus, Rod took us on a few of his past flights to Cooktown, 2 1/2 years ago, and his longest trip last year to Broome for a 2 1/2 week trip. A group of 4 planes joined the team and we were shown some great photos from the air.

Elaine Almond moved the vote of thanks, and when she mentioned that we don't give presents or gifts to our speakers, Rod commented that that was fine, because with the political correctness as it is, all politicians and councillors are reluctant to accept any gifts.



District Event:

Register for PETS and Learning & Development

This year we are combining both **PETS** (President Elect Training) and **Learning & Development** (previously known as **Club Assembly**). This will ensure more time for Club members to learn their individual roles within their Club, and provide an opportunity to build a strong team, within your Club members and with other Clubs. There is strength in unity. We are providing two opportunities to attend - one in Merimbula and one in Orange.

We encourage as many members of your Club as possible to come along.

PETS (President Elect Training) is an important event in your Calendar when you are coming into the **President** role in your Club. It is a requirement of Rotary International that you attend this training to prepare you for this important role. The responsibilities for Presidents Elect will be outlined and discussed in sessions separate to Learning and Development.

This year we are combining PETS also with inviting **all your club members to attend - not just your Board but everyone and including new members to your Club.** All members will be working with their particular area of interest for the Learning & Development sessions.

We want to support preparing your Board and Club members for their roles. This will assist in providing a strong united Club, understanding each role and its place in the smooth running of your Club. It will also give you a chance to work with your Area Governor and understand how they are there to support and assist your Club.

And last, but not least is the camaraderie we always enjoy when we are all together!

MERIMBULA

- Date: 17th to 19th March 2023
- Venue: Merimbula Services Club.
- [REGISTER FOR MERIMBULA HERE](#)

ORANGE

- Date: 31st March-2nd April, 2023
- Venue: Orange Services Club
- [REGISTER FOR ORANGE HERE](#)

So register now for one of these weekends!

Editor's Note:- PE John H and 'president-after-that' (I forget what it's called!) Peter O are going to Merimbula. Ellen, Vicky and Elaine are going to Orange. Anyone want to join them???

Please read the current ROMAC newsletter which I have added to this week's mail-out. ROMAC is eminently worthy of your consideration for charitable donations, as their work is vital to the wellbeing of many who would otherwise go untreated.

There being no further business, we all stood and sang the National Anthem with the meeting closing at 8.20pm.

Next meeting:

Dr Joe McGirr will be our guest this coming week.....get your questions ready!!!
Don't forget: our meeting of March 2nd will be a **Comedy Night**. Entertainers from within our Club are being called for. If you can recite a funny poem, sing a hilarious song, or make people laugh in any other way, please step forward and let President David know.

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

23rd Feb 23	Board Meeting
26th Feb 23	Wagga Peace Ceremony (Sunday)
2nd/3rd Mar	Science & Engineering Challenge
8th Mar 23	'Girls At The Centre' day (Wednesday)
16th Mar 23	Rotary Club of Wagga – SHINE AWARDS. (In place of our regular meeting)
17th/19th Mar 23	P.E.T. Training/'Club Assembly' (Merimbula)
31st Mar/2nd Apr 23	P.E.T. Training/'Club Assembly' (Orange)
11th May 23	RYDA day (Our Club is Rostered)
20/21 May 23	Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga – ANNUAL BOOK FAIR.
29th June 23	Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga CHANGEOVER.
12th Jul 23	Lilier Lodge Casserole night.
13th Sept 23	Lilier Lodge BBQ night.



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

12th Feb – 18th Feb)

Birthdays: Nil

Rotary Anniversaries: Peter Chenoweth (15/2/2018) +Wagga 2006-1015 + St Lucia 1986-1990 + Goondiwindi 1980-1984

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



SOME 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Volunteer hosts wanted March 16 – March 19 2023

STARTTS is looking for people willing to host women from refugee backgrounds for our City County Connections project. STARTTS is bringing women from Western Sydney to Wagga Wagga for a weekend to experience country hospitality and a taste of rural life.

The role for hosts

- Host 2 women for 3 nights (2 bedrooms or twin share).
- Provide some meals to your guests.
- Provide friendship and a willingness to engage in cultural exchange.
- Participate in Saturday afternoon event, support guests to cook traditional foods in your home before joining all program participants in the evening for a shared meal and entertainment.
- Guests will participate in organised activities all day Friday and Saturday morning and will require transport to and from Central Wagga.



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Why did the banana go out with the prune?

Because he couldn't find a date.

**If you are Australian when you go into the toilet and
Australian when you come out, what are you while you're in
there??**

European

What did the fish say when he swam into a wall?

Dam.

Why don't dinosaurs talk?

Because they're dead.



What do you call birds that stick together?

Vel-crows

I used to be addicted to hokey pokey...But I turned myself around.

Patrick and Donald meet on opposite sides of a river. One shouts to the other "I need you to help me to get to the other side!"
The other guy shouts, "Why?? You ARE on the other side!"

