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BULLETIN NO: 07.

Thursday 18th August 2022.

AUGUST IS ROTARY MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH 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 25 th Aug.	Thursday 1 st Sept.	Thursday 8 th Sept.
PROGRAMME:	Club Night	TBA	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Vicky Donoghue Margaret Keys	Elle Palmer Jenny Masters	Philip Cross David Kennedy
GREETER:	Gerry Page	Don Pembleton	Gary Roberts
SHORT & SWEET:	John Heazlewood	Visiting Rotarian	Gordon Saggars
FINES-MASTER:	Peter Olson	David Friedlieb	Peter Smart
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Not required	TBA	TBA
VOTE OF THANKS:	Not required	MaryAnn Kelly	Alan Lean
BULLETIN REPORTER:	David Payne	Vicky Donoghue	Ellen Brasier
MEETINGS:	Board Meeting 8pm	Nil	Nil

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

IMPORTANT: If you are 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 Wynne commenced with the Invocation, and a Toast to Returned Servicemen, especially those who returned from Long Tan in Vietnam. He welcomed 31 members, our guest speaker Adam Drummond, and four guests of members — Bobita Das, Reece Coulls, Tiffany Purvis and Shane Carroll.



Club Matters.

President David Wynne

- **ProPatria.** President Dave spoke in glowing terms on the local support from business and service clubs for the veteran treatment centre. That there is an understanding of the urgent need from ex-servicemen for this service. Three of our members, Gordon Saggars, Alan Lean, and David Friedleib are 'up to their necks' in support of this project. He commended their efforts to the Club. The ProPatria Trust website is now functional and well worth visiting.
- The **Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)**, for year nine students will take place at Borambola for three days (11th to 13th November) with the aim of encouraging students to step out of their comfort zones, meet new people and learn about team building. They will hear from great speakers and be inspired to improve their outlook and build their moral fibre. Anyone who knows of a Year 9 student who might be interested should encourage them to apply. Forms are available on ClubRunner.
- The **Rotary District 9705 Conference** is on 21st to 23rd October to be held here in Wagga. Our Club **will be rostered to assist** with tasks associated with this event. Please be prepared to make yourself available when required.
- Our erroneous \$2400 electricity bill has finally been resolved. (The book sorters will be happy that they can boil the kettle on Tuesday afternoons!!)
- Our next meeting will address the **Regionalisation Pilot Project**. A vote on this issue will take place soon, and 'we have to get our heads around it'. Along with two short information videos, an open forum discussion will take place.

David Payne:

- **Rotary Peace Ceremony.** Combined Presidents and our Area Governor, Elaine met at the end of last year, to set up an exploratory committee to investigate the Wagga Wagga Peace event. It has happened for about 30 years now; except for the Covid disruption. They decided it was time to change the format to involve all threads of the community in this event. David and Peter Keith (PP Koorungal) are reaching out to community groups such as Multi Cultural Council, Wagga City Council, Red Cross, Pro Patria, Wiradjuri Elders, Amnesty International and the Police Community Officer to all become involved. The 23rd February 2023 has been proposed as a Ceremony date.

Peter Olson:

- Reminder to the Club of the **Auction** being held at The Curious Rabbit on Sunday 28th August, to sell paintings created by Chris Campbell. Chris, a quadriplegic, was our guest speaker some weeks ago. He also mentioned that he had one more copy of his book, "Rantings of a Mad Discombobulated Cripple" for sale for \$25. More copies will be available at the Auction. Peter mentioned that Chris Campbell had been interviewed on Prime 7 TV along with the manager of The Curious Rabbit, Vickie Burkinshaw, recently. President Dave said that he came over well in the interview. Peter also thanked Elle for helping to sell Raffle tickets at the

meeting. Seven different businesses in Wagga supplied prizes for the Raffle. It will be drawn in stages throughout the Auction on Sunday 28th. Tickets are \$5 each.

John Heazlewood:


- Legacy week starts next Saturday, and they need more support from volunteers. Those interested can see him.

Bill Prest:

- A Koala Sanctuary has been established in the Southern Highlands. Along Canyonleigh Road, off the Hume Highway, turn left at the Illawarra Highway turn off, (Sally's Corner). Along where the Father Chris Riley has the Youth off the Streets camp.



Short & Sweet.

- **Gary Roberts** stepped up to inform members about the upcoming visit of Volodymyr Shalkivskyi, Deputy Head of Mission of Ukraine in Australia to our dinner meeting on September 15th. We have requested an elevated menu, which will be at a cost of \$50 per person. **Bookings and pre-payment are essential.** Members are asked to **confirm their attendance** (and their guest numbers), and **pre-pay** on 25th August or 1st September meeting nights... similar to the process we used for changeover. This will be a special event and we anticipate interest from the wider community. On Friday 2nd September, places will be offered to other Rotary Clubs and the public.
- As part of his visit, Mr Shalkivskyi will be given a Civic Welcome with the Mayor at 10am on Friday 16th September. He will then be taken on a tour of the city, which will include visiting the Peace monument.



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We are pleased to welcome
Mr Volodymyr Shalkivskyi
Deputy Head of Mission
Ukraine Embassy, Canberra
to our
Club dinner meeting
on
Thursday, 15th September 2022
6.00pm for 6.30pm
**Wagga Wagga Country Club,
Plumpton Road
Wagga Wagga**



Mr Shalkivskyi will speak about the current situation in Ukraine and what the future may hold.

\$50 per person

Bookings and prepayment essential
at meetings of 25th August and 1st September.

After this date, places will be offered to the wider public.

All bookings close 8th September.

Fines Session.

With an opening comment of 'offending anyone is hard to avoid', **Graham Russell** managed to fill the fines boxes with some gentle digs at various members and his talent for getting away with a lot.

'If life was fair, Elvis would be alive, and all those impersonators would be dead' extracted coin from all those who have been to Parkes.

Jenny, was fined for saying "sometimes I wake up grumpy, other times I just let him sleep!"

Fines were issued to all those who have holidayed in Canada – "Drink Canada Dry", is a challenge many have tried.

Ladies table was fined because "our Susan has still not had a baby, if she doesn't have one soon, she'll have to be seduced!"

Peter V was fined because "what I look forward to is continued immaturity followed by death"

Peter O got the golf fine – "I'll shoot my age one day, even if I've got to live to 105!"

David C paid up for this one: 'Do you do much walking? Yes, a little. How about jogging? He said – "I'll start jogging as soon as I see a Jogger smile!'

A doctor told me I am to stop having intimate dinners for four! Unless there were three others there.

Neil H - Why is it that all the things I like to eat, form tumours in white mice.



Guest Speaker.

The Changing Media Landscape

With kind words of welcome from David Cannon, **Adam Drummond** needed no real introduction, as he has spoken at the Club before. As his Bio suggests, he first trained as an actor, completing a Bachelor of Arts for Screen and Stage at CSU. He spent some time in Sydney appearing in national and international TV commercials, small parts on TV shows such as, Water Rats, All Saints and Farscape. He returned to Wagga to raise a family in 2002.

During this time, he was also employed as an actor in Mark Grentell's feature films, Backyard Ashes (2012) and The Merger (2018). He currently works upstairs at the Australian Arcade, with his wife, Melinda. They met while attending Trinity Senior High School in 1995. He's been in Real Estate, 2002 to 2014, then set up his own video production business, Wagga Wagga.TV in 2015, which he continues to run with his wife Melinda. Adam pursued several other interests until most recently he was employed as Commercial Manager for **Region Riverina**, a local digital news company that opened in Wagga on 1st January 2022.

He created **Digital Wagga** to deal with the changing media landscape. He is good friends with Glenn Ridge (Sale of the Century). They talked about the amount of 'looking inward' going on in media today. They looked at Statistics on the changing media landscape. He outlined some statistics on TV ratings were changing rapidly since social media has come into our lives. National News is still getting ratings of around 700,000 per night.

He pointed out that Local TV stations in Wagga are still popular for news, Prime 7 being the most



popular. He mentioned that social media news is becoming a distraction from real news. He mentioned Donald Trump and the rise of Fake News and how much real news has now become more valued. Particularly Local news.

He said Cinemas are still going OK, and streaming services are on the rise. The average house spends about \$1110 on cinemas per year and about \$564 per year on streaming services.

Region Riverina is an online digital platform, Tim White and Michael McGoogan (ex. All Homes), have formed this company as Co-CEOs and Directors. They follow the "RiotAct" business model on SEO – PR – BRAND – Expert. Business and community partners is how the business operates. 10% is business partnerships with real stories, not advertorials.

SEO – Search Engine Optimization, organic searches are introduced as "articles". He continued to hold Rotarians in on this information. Rotary Clubs are urged to take advantage of this local resource when promoting their activities.

Philip Cross thanked Adam for his delivery and his information. He was warmly thanked by the Club.



Vale Viv Littlewood

Viv Littlewood, past President of our Club (1981/82), Paul Harris Fellow (1992), musician of renown and 'all round good bloke', passed away on Monday 15th August. He was 92. He joined the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga in 1973 and retired from Rotary in 2001. He was a great character, and was the Bulletin Editor for some years, entertaining members with his quirky style.

The Club extends its condolences to all who loved him.

Funeral details: Monday 29th August 2022
Karinya Room, Bance Funeral Services.

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

- **Sunday 28th Aug** **Art Auction – works by quadriplegic Chris Campbell.**
- **Thurs 15th Sep** **Club Meeting – featuring Ukraine Embassy representative.**
- **Thurs 29th Sep** **Narrandera Golf function**
- **Fri 7th Oct** **E-Club Brindabella Trivia Night (Wagga RSL Club)**
- **21-23 Oct** **D9705 Conference (Joyes Hall, CSU Wagga Wagga)**
- **28-30 Oct** **Zone 8 Conference (Canberra)**
- **Thu 1st Dec** **Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga SHINE AWARDS**
- **20/21 May 2023** **Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga BOOK FAIR**

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(21st Aug – 27th Aug)

Birthdays: Nil

Rotary Anniversaries: Rajinder Singh (2019)

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



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