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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: 04.

Thursday 28th 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 4 th Aug. | Thursday 11 th Aug. | Thursday 18 th Aug. |
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| PROGRAMME: | TBA | TBA | TBA |
| ATTENDANCE: | Elle Palmer Bruce Barber | Vicky Donoghue Shishir Bhengra | Ellen Brasier Brad Bland |
| GREETER: | Terry Mecham | Marion Moran | Mike Murray |
| SHORT & SWEET: | Graeme Callander | Don Pembleton | Gary Roberts |
| FINES-MASTER: | Alok Sharma | Paul Galloway | Lyndal Seymour |
| INTRODUCE SPEAKER: | TBA | TBA | TBA |
| VOTE OF THANKS: | Rajinder Singh | Bryan Short | Alok Sharma |
| BULLETIN REPORTER: | Peter Veerhuis | Vida Smart | Peter Olson |
| 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 Wynne welcomed twwenty-nine members; there were no guests on this occasion. There were fifteen apologies recorded.

He then proceeded to acknowledge Birthdays and Anniversaries; including Alan Lean's birthday (today, 28th July) & Neil and Shirley Hilpern's anniversary, also today. Congratulations to all of them.

Administrative Matters.

President David reported: -

- 1. Health Updates:
 - a) Terry Mecham has had a fall and is nursing a couple of broken ribs at home.
 - b) **Bill Prest** is out of hospital and back home after a bit of maintenance and repairs and the assessment that he is back to the same condition he was in, 3 years ago.

2. Club Information:

- a) President David advised that after PDG and Member Gary Roberts' presentation last week about Rotary Oceania Medical Assistance for Children (ROMAC), and its objectives of providing life changing medical assistance for Oceania children, the Club has received an anonymous donation of \$5000 to fly in a child in need from the area for such treatment. Gary has been closely involved with ROMAC for many years, and he had advised that they could achieve much more if funding was available. So, a great outcome from his presentation.
- b) International Committee Chairman Gordon Saggers has met with his committee to discuss support for **Children In War-Torn Ukraine.** Gordon will come back in the next couple of weeks with a proposal to expand on the awareness program utilising sunflower seeds.
- c) President David also advised that through Gary Roberts' efforts, the Club will host a senior diplomat from the **Ukrainian Embassy, Canberra on Thursday 15th September.**Gary is seeking a Mayoral Reception and perhaps a visit to Kapooka, before an address to our Club and Dinner. Members are invited to bring family and friends to the meeting.
- d) Graeme Callander advised that former member **Phil Jackson's Funeral** will be held at St Johns Church, Friday 29th July at 2:00 PM. The Club will form a Guard of Honour.
- e) President David reminded us that the E-Club of Brindabella are having a **Trivia Night** at the RSL Club on the 7th October and he is looking for participants.
- f) Community Services Director Peter Smart will be representing our Club at an **Angel Flight** function at the Mantra Pavilion Hotel on the 10th August.
- g) Peter Olson advised that there will be a **Charity Art Auction** at 3.30 PM on Sunday 28th August at the Curious Rabbit Coffee Shop in Johnson Street. Art works by quadriplegic Chris Campbell, as well as his autobiography, will be available for purchase. Members and friends are invited to attend. For further information, follow the following link: -

https://events.humanitix.com/art-auction-fundraiser-for-chris-campbell

- h) The Club will be providing a **BBQ at Lillier Lodge** on 21st September. Terry advised we need three or four helpers.
- District 9705 Conference will be held on 21/23 October in Wagga Wagga under the Chairmanship of local DG Geraldine Rurenga. Save the date. PP Alan Lean is representing our Club on the organising committee.
- j) Brad Bland advised that the Rotary Club of Narrandera is holding a golf day at Narrandera Golf Club on Thursday 29 September. It is a 4 person Ambrose event at \$100/head. Brad will be making a golfing comeback hopefully a bit more successful than his would-be footy comeback with the Beechworth Bushrangers whereby the opposition team forfeited!

Short & Sweet.



Graeme Callander reminded us all about the history and achievements of Rotary's Polio Plus program when he ran a video of the early days when the program evolved from a 1979 commitment to vaccinate all the children in the Philippines. Six million children were vaccinated at a cost of around \$US760,000. Over subsequent decades, 2.5 billion children have been vaccinated worldwide, bringing the number of polio victims across the world down to around 10 cases per year. A really remarkable program.

Fines Session.

Our nominated Fines Master apologised that he had been a bit busy this week and had not realised he was on duty. President David stepped up and with a few sweeping fines had the boxes were pretty well topped up to their normal levels. Thanks David

DISTRICT 9705 CONFERENCE 2022/23:-

As stated above, this year's District 9705 Conference will be held over the weekend 21/23 October. It will be held at Joyes Hall (CSU Campus) Wagga Wagga and will feature a number of high-profile speakers, workshops and opportunities for networking.

Please 'block out' this weekend – further information will be available as the event draws closer.



ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW OVERDUE: -

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

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

CLONTARF BBQ BREAKFASTS:-

Current roster: -

Friday 29th Jul Peter Smart Margaret Everett Friday 5th Aug Dave Wynne Brad Bland

AFTER DINNER - KEY-NOTE SPEAKERS: -

Key-Note Speaker duties were shared across three Club members.



First off was Vida Smart; she passed around a copy of her autobiography about Nurse Shaw, now Ms Smart. Lots of photos and a bit of text about Vida's training days. Vida calls it "A Nurse's Revenge" and amongst other things, it described a few techniques she developed to control would be 'nurse harassers'. This included a new way of taking blood pressure by placing the device around a neck rather than an arm and pumping until eyes started to pop out or alternatively placing an effervescent blue dye in a non-transparent toilet bottle, which quickly overflowed everywhere. Her concluding words were, "don't mess with your nurse – they have more power than you think!"

This was followed up by Elaine Almond and Ellen Brasier who spoke about their recent success in being awarded a Rotary Grant for a project to support Women and Children in domestic violent situations. They are working to partner with the Sisters Housing Enterprises Inc to provide a wider level of service to women and children in such circumstances. Elaine spoke of the long term effects, on not only the women but also their children, leading to long term learning and behavioural issues, and how these might be mitigated.



Ellen spoke of the fact that a lot of the family members utilising this accommodation often arrive with virtually no personal belongings. The organisation provides plenty of food, toiletries and clothing. The children in particular have minimal books to read or toys to play with. The older children have next to no sporting equipment to encourage them to exercise. So the team are aiming to address some of these issues to try and smooth the path back to some kind of normality.

President David thanked the members for their presentations and also advised that The Grange Men's Shed group have already committed to providing a big toy-box which can be used to store some of the items that will be purchased from the grant.

NEXT MEETING: -

The meeting next week will be hosted at the Wagga Wagga Country Club – normal timings, acceptances/apologies system will apply.



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

Fri 29th July Phil Jackson's Funeral (St John's Wagga).

◆ 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)

◆ 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: -



Peter promotes the Art Auction & Book Launch.
(see below)

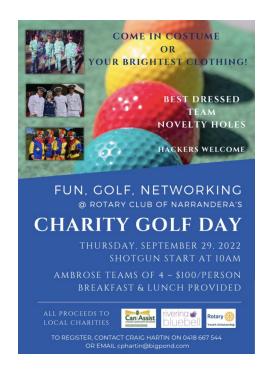


Brad discusses his 'come-back' to golf. (see below)



President David – standing in as fines-master.





BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -



 $(31^{th} Jul - 6^{th} Aug)$

Birthdays: Margaret Saggers (02/08) & Graham Gorrel (06/08).

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil.

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil.

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If a bottle of poison reaches its expiration date, is it more poisonous or is it no longer poisonous?