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President of RI	Ian H S Riseley		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?
Governor District 9700	George Weston		
Assistant Gov. Group 5	Bryan Short		
Club President	Elaine Almond		
Secretary	Ellen Brasier		

BULLETIN NO: 1

Thursday, 29th July 2017.

Club meets at the WAGGA WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB, 6pm for 6.30pm (unless stated below).

Duty Officers' Roster: -

Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty. Also inform the Bulletin Reporter.

DATE: -	Thursday 6 th July	Thursday 13 th July	Thursday 20 th July
PROGRAMME:	SOCIAL NIGHT.	Brooke Veasey Goldsworthy Scholarship	KEN GRIMSON Retired Journalist.
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Bruce Barber	Karel Bijker Brad Bland	Karel Bijker Graeme Callander
GREETER:	TBA	Barry Francis	David Friedlieb
SHORT & SWEET:	John Hazlewood	Bruce Heydon	Neil Hilpern
FINES MASTER:	David Kennedy	Bill Prest	Graham Russell
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Not Required	Gordon Saggars	Graham Gorrel
VOTE OF THANKS:	Not Required	Neil Hilpern	Tony Hutchinson
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Don Pembleton	Bryan Short	David Payne

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

If you can't attend a meeting, please lodge your apology with **THE COUNTRY CLUB** ☎ 6922 6444 by **2.30 pm Wednesday** (or pre-record it in the apology book provided at the meeting attendance table – **IN BLOCK LETTERS**).

Also, for catering purposes, please advise if bringing a guest to a meeting.

ATTENDANCE: -

A total of twenty eight members were present (72%).

Apologies were received from Terry Mecham, Alan Lean, David Friedlieb, Marion Moran, Alok Sharma, Allan Dufus, Paul Galloway, David Payne, Bryan Short.

MEETING REPORT: -

President Elaine presided over the first meeting in the 2017-18 Rotary Year.

She welcomed us all and apologised for the program mix-up. The Social Night is now scheduled for next week.

She then proceeded to thank all those who assisted at the recent Multicultural BBQ. She mentioned that they fed a huge number of people and that there was a photo in Monday's Daily Advertiser. Glendyn and Mary Ann featured in the TV report of the event.



Please remember that Wagga Winter Warmth is being held on Sunday July, 16 and that we need as many members as possible to assist with the manning of phones. This event also featured in the Advertiser.

ADMINISTRATION.

Philip Cross reported that: -

1. There are currently two new deserving applicants for the **Goodwin Estate** Funding.
2. Alok and his family are at present in Timor Leste where **Alok is conducting Eye Camps**. He took with him \$5,500 worth of donated materials that are needed for treatment and operations.

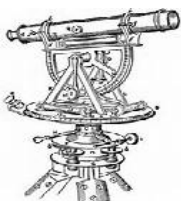
John Studdert reported: -

1. Our new Treasurer, Nepal will be providing invoices for our **annual subscriptions** this week. The amount and renewal procedure remain unchanged from last year.

President Elaine reported on the following correspondence that had been received: -

1. A thank you letter from **DGE John Glassford** for the enjoyable evening he and Sue experienced at our Changeover. He stated "Yours is a fun and most enjoyable club to visit and I just wish that all clubs in D9700 could follow your example of fun and hard work. Congratulations on a well run evening. I look forward to returning to your club as DG in 2018 and to working with you all then."
2. Rotary Club Central – an email announcing the that a new and improved **Rotary Club Central** will début in July. Rotary Club Central will continue to be an essential tool for planning and tracking membership initiatives, service activities, and Foundation giving as well as completing Rotary Citation goals.
3. An invitation for our members to attend the **Rotary Club of Coolamon Changeover** on July 3rd. Venue Coolamon Sport and Recreation Club 6:30 for 7:00 pm.

SHORT & SWEET.



Glendyn gave us a very interesting and informative talk on the technological changes that have taken place in his profession (surveyor). He explained that the technology has progressed from the old fashioned theodolite to today's use of robotics.

SERGEANT AT ARMS.

Don Pembleton ably filled our club coffers with his fine session. He commenced his session by fining President Elaine for not reading the bulletin thus not knowing who was Sergeant and also the change of program. He also fined all those with birthdays and anniversaries.

Don then went on to run a session based on the end of the financial year commencing with fining all accountants. He stated that a fine is a tax for doing wrong and a tax is a fine for doing well.

He informed us of the four Laws of Accounting: -

1. Trial balances don't
2. Bank Reconciliations never do
3. Working Capital does not
4. Return on investments never will.

What is the difference between an Optimist, a Pessimist and an Engineer?

The Optimist says 'The glass is half full'
The Pessimist says 'The glass is half empty'
The Engineer says 'The glass is twice as big as it needs to be'



Graham Gorrel was the winner of the raffle this week. He was reminded to take the prize home to avoid having it put up for auction next week.

PROGRAMME.

The meeting split into the respective committees for some "Working Together" sessions. Each Committee was requested to plan their activities for the year and to include these in a Draft Action Plan so that a final Action Plan can be prepared.

Elaine explained that, as our Club is amongst the first to receive a visit from DG George Weston it is essential that we have our Action Plan finalised. DG George will be visiting us on the 3rd August and will expect to see the plan.

Elaine also mentioned that there are four fifth Thursdays this year. They fall in August, November, March and May. Elaine said that the activities on these days depends on the members. David Canon has a list of suggestions.

RIVERINA CONSERVATORIUM OF MUSIC: -



Once again this year, your Club is pleased to have supported a student of the local Conservatorium through the Conservatorium's Scholarship program.

Recently, Don Pembleton, on behalf of our Club, presented the approved funds to Mr Hamish Tait, the RCM Director.

NEXT WEEK: -

After the hiatus of activities associated with the Changeover Night and the subsequent 'Working Together' session last week, President Elaine has declared next week to be a Club Social night.

No pressure – just a relaxing night of fellowship to be enjoyed by all.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: -

IAN H.S. RISELEY, is a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, (Victoria). He is a practising chartered accountant and principal of Ian Riseley and Co. He received an Australian government's Peacebuilder award in 2002 in recognition of his work in East Timor. He also received the Order of Australia medal (OAM). in 2006 for services to the Australian community.



A Rotarian since 1978, Riseley has served RI as treasurer, director, task force member, RI Board Executive Committee member, committee member and vice-chair, and district governor. He is a former member of the Australian Polio Eradication Private Sector Campaign and a recipient of The Rotary Foundation's Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World. He and his wife, Juliet, are Major Donors and Bequest Society members of The Rotary Foundation.

Juliet became a Rotarian in 1995 as the Charter President of the Rotary Club of Hampton, although her association with Rotary started much earlier as a host mum to a number of Exchange Students and as editor of OZlines the District's YE newsletter. She has held many positions in the club including Club Secretary for a number of years, International and Foundation Director, eNews and web blog editor and club Treasurer. She has served the District on a number of New Generations, Vocational and Marketing Committees, was District web-master from 2002–2005 and has served as a District Governor's Representative 1996-97 and as a District Governor's Special Representative in 2003-04. (Juliet was also a District Governor of District 9810 in 2011-2012. This is the first time that a PDG will be the spouse of a sitting RI President.)

As a passionate advocate of 'Literacy for all' Juliet co-ordinated Literacy Resources for the District in 2006-09. Juliet admits that her professional life as a Librarian was a true delight as it brought together 3 of her favourite things: people, beautiful books and information. With a Master's degree in Information Management, Juliet has directed, developed and consulted to library and information services across the Corporate, Research and Educational sectors. She has lectured at tertiary level and currently works as an Information Consultant through Riseley Consulting and as a director of the family business Peninsula Organics.

Both Ian and Juliet are multiple Paul Harris Fellows, members of the Paul Harris and Bequest Societies and joint Major Donors. They have two children, and three grandchildren.

Ian and Juliet live on seven hectares at Moorooduc where they practise their personal philosophy of sustainable and organic living. When not writing and illustrating small books for the smaller members of her family; Juliet is a gardener and actively involved in local environmental groups.

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

- ◆ July 2017 Annual Subscriptions Due.
- ◆ 12th July 2017 Inner Wheel Changeover Night (Club representative required).
- ◆ 12th July 2017 Lockhart Rotary Club Changeover meeting
- ◆ 16th July 2017 Wagga Winter Warmth.
- ◆ 3rd August 2017 DG George Weston visits Wagga Rotary.
- ◆ 1st Sept 2017 Wagga – Big Blokes Lunch
- ◆ 5th- 6th May 2018 D9700 Conference (Leeton)



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES (8th July – 14th July): -

Birthdays:

Nil

Rotary Anniversaries:

Nil

Wedding Anniversaries:

Karel & Wendy Bijker (10/7).



KOOKABURRA 😊

A local golfing enthusiast and his long-suffering lady friend decided to it was time that they became married. After a grand wedding and a very memorable reception at the Country Club, they set off for a fine honeymoon on a remote tropical island.

One evening, soon after they had returned from the honeymoon, he was cleaning his golf shoes and she was standing there watching him. After a long period of silence she finally speaks "Honey, I've been thinking, now that we are married I think it's time you quit golf so that we can spend some quality time together. If you cancelled your Club membership, sold your golf clubs and the cart we could afford to put up new curtains and buy floor coverings for the whole house"



Jim gets this horrified look on his face. He says, "Darling, what's wrong? There for a minute you were sounding like my ex-wife."

"Ex-wife!" she screams, "I didn't know you were married before!"

"I wasn't."

**What did our
parents do to kill
boredom before the
internet?**

**I asked my 26
brothers and
sisters and they
didn't know either.**