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ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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: 28

Thursday, 18th January 2018

JANUARY IS VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

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 25 th January 2018	Thursday 1 ST February 2018	Thursday 8 TH February 2018
PROGRAMME	AUSTRALIA DAY THEME (Partners Welcome)	Paul Galloway Tutuala	BOOK SORT
Attendance	Karel Bijker Rob Sharkie	Karel Bijker Alok Sharma	Karel Bijker
Greeter	John Studdert	Barry Francis	N/R
Short & Sweet	Phillip Cross	Gordon Saggars	N/R
Fines Master (5 min)	Neil Hilpern	Don Pembleton	N/R
Introduce Speaker	Alok Sharma	Alan Lean	N/R
Vote of Thanks	Margaret Everett	Graeme Callander	N/R
Bulletin Reporter	Gerry Page	Vida Smart	Peter Veerhuis

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

**Don't
forget!**

If you can't attend a meeting, please lodge your apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB on 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.

THIS WEEK Thursday 25th January –

Thursday 25th January The meeting will be at the Country Club with an **Australia Day Theme**. **There will be a treat in store** as local poet Allistair Gibson will present a selection of his Australian themed poetry. **Partners are welcome – wear something Aussie**



ATTENDANCE

35 members were in attendance this week - 85%. A very welcome guest was past member Peter Chenoweth, guest of Honorary Member Bill Prest. **Apologies** came from Gordon Saggars, Paul Galloway, Peter Veerhuis, Peter Smart, Vida Smart and Graeme Russell.

CLUB NOTES

- **President Elaine** opened the meeting at 6.30pm, a social program only, with dinner served very promptly. She advised that we have received a Certificate of Appreciation for the Kmart Wishing Tree, also for our support of the Disability BBQ and Dance, and referred to a published letter of appreciation for our Books for Babes Program at Wagga Wagga Rural Referral Hospital..
- **January is Vocational Month**, and Director Vida will soon update the Clontarf roster.
- We are supporting the **Clay Target Championships** (a paid project) on 25-27 March, Graeme Gorrel will advise details as they come to hand.
- **PP Brad Bland** will attend a WWCC info session about new local refuse collection arrangements from April and report back to members.
- **Mary Ann Kelly** seeks members' support for the **25th Annual Rotary Peace Ceremony**, being hosted by Sunrise club on 23-24 February. In particular she seeks names of potential nominees for the Helen & Peter Walsh Peace Award, which was instituted by our own Club. **Members please give this item some thought**. More to come.
- **ADG Brian Short** reminds new board members of **President-Elect Training 3-4 March**, and also the **Science & Engineering Challenge** on Thursday 8th March at Mater Dei.
- **Youth Director Ellen** is seeking nominees for **Rotary Youth Leadership awards (RYLA)**, to be in Orange in early May. She also alerts us to forthcoming **Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA)** on Tues 20th to Fri 23rd March, our club normally would do Thu 22nd, to be confirmed.
- **David Cannon** was pleased to advise of a surprise visit he received from a former Brazilian Exchange student Julianna, with her family. She has great memories of her time in Wagga, about 17 years ago, and passes on her appreciation to the Club. **President-Elect Glendyn wants the Club to focus on Youth in his forthcoming year as President, and in particular the possibility of once again participating in Youth Exchange.**

SHORT & SWEET

David Cannon reminded all that the time limit for Short & Sweet is 3 minutes, **to be enforced by the Sergeant, whose bell reminder is to be respected (i.e. be nice to Graeme doing his job)**. David proceeded, very respectfully of course, to recite the joyous tales of being a Seenager (a senior teenager). No school, no work, no curfew, own home, no fear of pregnancy. And nature's way of imposing exercise (explains why we can't remember what we went out for so must do it over and over again).



FINESMASTER

Note the 5 min. limit and again be nice to Sergeant Graeme. **Bruce Heydon** fined the rowdy table, several times, for their impudent (!) interruptions, and then maintained the theme of ageing (looking around I wondered why?) with clever stories of old classmates, techo embarrassment, haircuts, prostate. He politely sought and was granted an extra minute, much to the joy of our Treasurer.

PROGRAM There was no formal program tonight, so **President Elaine** supported the Program Committee with a short survey of members' preferences for future activities. Elaine is, herself, keen to exploit each 5th Thursday as a social night.

President Elaine also provided a brief update of the Club's progress towards the 2017/18 Action Plan, reporting that our Program activities are being achieved, and we have gained 3 new members.

Opportunity was taken to avail of the presence of past member **Peter Chenoweth** to get an update on his whereabouts and activities, He has concluded his sojourn in Townsville and moved to Rockhampton, but still retaining his laboratory locally, now at Walla Walla. (We may well be graced with Peter's attendance every now and then.)

JANUARY IS ROTARY VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Vocational Service calls on us to empower others by using our unique skills and expertise to address community needs and help others discover new professional opportunities and interests.

Here are five ways you can incorporate vocational service in your club activities:

- Host a club meeting at your work place and share about your profession; take time to learn about fellow members' occupations.
- Use your skills and expertise to serve a community.
- Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your words and actions.
- Work with local businesses to create mentorship, internship, or practicum opportunities to help young people achieve their career goals.
- Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

See examples of clubs around the world taking Vocational Service action at:-

<https://rotaryserviceblog.org/2018/01/09/5-ways-to-inspire-through-vocational-service/>

2018-19 PRESIDENTIAL THEME ANNOUNCED

Rotary International President-elect Barry Rassin laid out his vision for the future of the organization on Sunday, when he **announced** his presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, at Rotary's International Assembly.



BE THE INSPIRATION

Rassin, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas, unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us."

Rassin stressed the power of Rotary's new vision statement, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." This describes the Rotary that leaders must help build, he said.

PLEASE BLOCK-OUT THE FOLLOWING DATES IN YOUR DIARY:

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| ❖ 23/24 February 2018 | 25 years of Rotary District Peace Communities. |
| ❖ 17 th March 2018 | Peace-building Conference 2018 (Sydney). |
| ❖ 25/27 March 2018 | Clay Target Championships. |
| ❖ 5 th – 6 th May 2018 | Book Fair |
| ❖ 5 th – 6 th May 2018 | D9700 Conference (Leeton). |
| ❖ 23rd to 27th June 2018 | RI Convention (Toronto). |
| ❖ 14/16 September 2018 | Zone 8 Australian & New Zealand Conference. |



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES (26th January to 1st February)

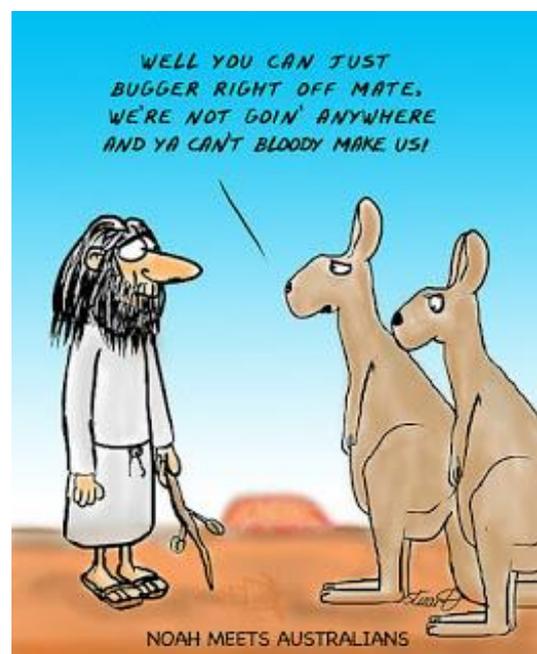
Birthdays: Ian Gibson (26/1)
 Rotary Anniversaries: Nil
 Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



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This Weeks Snaps

