



**ROTARY CLUB
OF WAGGA WAGGA**

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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: 4.

Thursday 25th July 2019.

Club meets at the WAGGA WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB, **6:00 PM for 6.30 PM** (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 1 st Aug	Thursday 8 Aug	Thursday 15 th Aug
PROGRAMME:	District Governor JOHN MCKENZIE	Nepalese Students (2 nd Thursday)	Club Night (3 rd Thursday)
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Marion Moran	Karel Bijker Alf Barzen	Karel Bijker John Heazelwood
GREETER:	Margaret Everett	David Cannon	Mike Murray
SHORT & SWEET:	Allan Duffus	Alan Lean	David Cannon
FINES-MASTER:	Bruce Barber	David Payne	Gordon Saggars
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	John Studdert	Graham Russell	Not required
VOTE OF THANKS:	Alan Lean	Nepal Ghosh	Not required
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Neil Hilpern	David Payne	Vida Smart

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

Unable to attend a meeting?

Please lodge an apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE (not the bar) 6922 6444 by 2.30 pm Wednesday (or pre-record it in the book provided at the meeting attendance table – IN BLOCK LETTERS).

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

MEETING REPORT: -

Attendance.

President David opened the meeting with the Invocation followed by a toast to Rotary Australia and to Legacy. He welcomed our Guest Speaker Jim Gibson from Legacy. Mr Rajinder Singh (guest of member Alok Sharma), and his own guests Steve Miller and David O'Toole. 29 members (65%) were in attendance, with apologies received from Terry Mecham, Peter Veerhuis, Alan Lean, Alan Duffus, Laurie Fromholtz, Nepal Ghosh, Bruce Barber, Karel Bijker, Don Pembleton, John Heazelwood, Alf Barzen, Gerry Page, David Cannon, MaryAnn Kelly and Vida Smart.

President David also recognised the efforts the Bulletin Team who take notes at every meeting and create our Weekly Bulletin.

Laurie Fromholtz update:

John Studdert reported that Laurie Fromholtz is now in rehab. Unfortunately, he has had a fall which resulted in two broken ribs on one side and severe bruising on the other. He is very keen to come home stating that he can get care at home.



Administrative Matters.

President David:

- **Gears+Beers:** Wollundry Rotary Club has again requested the assistance of our members for this fundraising event. Approximately 12-15 members expressed willingness to assist on the weekend of the 5th and 6th October.
- **District Governor Visit:** DG John McKenzie of Orange North Rotary Club together with his wife Farrah will be visiting our club at our next meeting (1 August). He will attend a Board Meeting at 6:00 and this will be followed by our Meeting during which he will meet and greet our members.
- **Excess Funds.** The excess funds from District 9700 will be distributed to the new combined district. President David is going to speak about this to DG John while he is here.

From the Board Meeting:

- **Meeting format:** A new meeting format will be trialled for the next several months. It will hopefully enable us to be connected with our goals as a club and give all members the opportunity to have input into Club activities. The format will be as follows:

First Thursday:	Social/Member Input Meeting
Second Thursday:	Traditional Meeting (with Guest Speaker*)
Third Thursday:	--odd months: <u>Standing and Services Committees</u> meet, followed by a Board Meeting.
	--even months: <u>Administrative Committees</u> meet, followed by a Board Meeting,
Fourth Thursday:	Traditional Meeting (with Guest Speaker*)
Fifth Thursday:	Vocational Visits.

*Guest Speaker early on agenda so he/she has option to depart before general business. Our next 'Social Night' is scheduled for Thursday 5th September.

- **Christmas Break:** The final meeting for 2019 will be on Thursday 12th December, with meetings to recommence on 16th January 2020
- **Honorary Membership:** The criteria for the awarding of Honorary Membership will be reviewed.

Ellen Brasier –Child Protection.

It is essential that every member has a Working with Children Clearance, and that it is kept current by renewing it when it comes due. A clearance is active for five years before it requires renewal. It is Ellen's duty as Secretary of our club to forward details of every member's current Clearance number and date of renewal to the District Youth Protection Officer. Ellen has approached members who need to provide this information to her and would appreciate their early attention to this matter.



Ellen mentioned a new form, the Rotary Youth Volunteer Information and Declaration Form which will need to be completed. She has undertaken to do further research to clarify exactly who needs to complete this form. When she has clarified this, the form will be made available via this bulletin.

Public Image Committee—Mike Murray

Mike plans to have a rolling video of our activities at the next Book Fair so that the public can be informed of our activities within the community. In order to do this, he asked if anyone has expertise in this area, or knows of anyone who could possibly assist.

Short & Sweet.

Mike Murray shared with us a handwritten journal that his father, Signalist John Edwin (Jack) Murray kept during his war stint in 8th Army Division in North Africa. The book is written in pencil, in miniscule writing and is very difficult to read. The book was deciphered by Carole and Mike's daughter Joanne who typed it all. Narelle Potts created a booklet and each member of Mike's family has a copy. What a priceless treasure that old exercise book is.



Fines-Master Session.

Alok Sharma managed to fine everyone with a quiz about Rotary.



If the member who was asked didn't have the correct answer, he/she was fined but if the answer was correct the whole table was fined.

He also fined Sergeant at Arms Graeme Callander for putting pressure on him regarding the length of the fine session.

Quite a tidy sum was collected.

Raffle Winner.

Lyndal Seymour was the lucky winner of the wine this week. After the conclusion of the meeting, an eagle-eyed Graham Russell noticed that Lyndal had forgotten to take her prize home. He very quickly volunteered to 'mind' it for her, adding that it would be perfectly safe with him because she had chosen the 'white'!

Key-Note Speaker.

Our Guest Speaker, Jim Gibson was introduced by Barry Francis who told of the many "hats" that Jim has worn— the latest being Legacy.



Jim commenced his address by stating that he was proud to be a member of Legacy and very much humbled by the work Legacy does for War Widows and Children.

In World War I, from a population of 4.9 million, Australia provided 400,000 volunteers and 2000 nurses, and suffered 60,000 war deaths and 150,000 wounded. 64 Victoria Crosses (including 7 from Anzac Cove) were awarded. Legacy was founded in 1923 in Melbourne by young business men all of whom were returned soldiers. It was modelled on the Remembrance Club in Hobart founded by a young man whose mate asked him to look after his wife and kids if he didn't make it back from the war. This is basically the ethos of Legacy today.



What does Legacy do?

Legacy is unique in the world in that it helps war widows and dependants of veterans, basically in any way that is necessary. It receives no government assistance for its work.

Wagga Legacy commenced in 1932, and it was the 16th club in Australia. Today there are 48 clubs in total. All Legacy Workers are Volunteers and Legacy receives no Government Funding.

In years past, each small town had a Legacy Club. Today, Wagga Legacy looks after 17 surrounding towns.

The number of widows and dependants of war veterans is declining Australia wide. In the past 10 years, the number of widows cared for by Legacy Australia has declined from 1290 to 561. Currently approximately 60% are over 90 years of age, so the decline will continue. Legacy has adjusted the support it provides in order to cater for this aging demographic. There are currently seven families and 11 children who are receiving assistance in Wagga along with the more elderly War Widows.

Today there are 25 to 40 widows aged roughly from 85 to 100 years who meet regularly at Legacy House in Wagga for a "Cuppa" and a chat along with some form of entertainment as part of the 'Laurel Club'. Jim gave us some examples of the work that Legacy does. He also cited some of the work done in 1946-47.

Philip Cross thanked Jim for his very informative talk and presented him with a certificate to immunise 10 children somewhere in the world against polio.

The last few minutes.....

As there was a little time left President David asked that we discuss at our tables some ideas regarding local causes who would benefit from our major donations during the year. These ideas will be collated at the next Board Meeting so that a decision can be made.

FROM THIS WEEK: -



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

- September date TBA: Polio Plus Movie Night – “Ride Like a Girl” (Michelle Payne story)
- 22nd – 23rd Sept Zone 8 Rotary Conference – Christchurch NZ.
- 6th October Wollundry Rotary Gears & Beers Festival.
- 28th November Rotary Shine Awards
- 20-22nd March 2020 Final D9700 Conference (Temora).
- 2nd & 3rd May 2020 Book Fair



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(4 Aug to 10 Aug)

- Birthdays:** Graham Gorrell (6/8), Peter Veerhuis (9/8)
Wendy Bijker (9/8)
- Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil.
- Wedding Anniversaries:** Mike & Carol Murray (9/8)



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A glossary of Australian Computer Terminology:

- DOWNLOAD:** Getting the firewood off the ute.
- LOG ON:** Adding wood to make the BBQ hotter
- LOG OFF:** Not adding any more wood to the BBQ
- MONITOR:** Keep an eye on the BBQ
- SOFTWARE:** Plastic knives and forks used at a BBQ
- HARDWARE:** Metal knives and forks used at a flash BBQ
- HARD DRIVE:** Getting through Sydney while towing the van
- UPGRADE:** Hill that requires low gear when towing the van
- WINDOW:** What you shut when it's cold
- SCREEN:** What you shut in mozzie season
- BYTE:** What mozzies do
- MEGABYTE:** What North QLD mozzies do
- CHIP:** A snack you eat with beer
- MICROCHIP:** What's left in the bag when you've eaten the chips
- MODEM:** What you did to the lawns
- LAPTOP:** Where the cat sleeps
- MOUSE:** Small rodent that eats the grain in the shed
- MAINFRAME:** What holds the shed up
- WEB:** What spiders make
- WEBSITE:** Usually in the shed or under the verandah
- KEYBOARD:** Where you put the ute keys
- SEARCH ENGINE:** What you do when the ute won't go
- CURSOR:** What you say when the ute won't go
- YAHOO:** What you say when you've fixed the ute
- SERVER:** The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
- MAIL SERVER:** The bloke at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
- USER:** The neighbour who keeps borrowing things
- NETWORK:** What you do when you need to repair the fishing net.
- INTERNET:** Where you want the fish to go
- NETSCAPE:** What the fish do when they discover the hole in the net.
- ONLINE:** Where you hang the washing
- OFFLINE:** Where the washing ends up when it's windy

