



**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: 3.**

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> 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 25 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Thursday 8 Aug
<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	Jim Gibson Legacy	<b>District Governor JOHN MCKENZIE</b>	<b>Nepalese Students (Monaj &amp; Sujita)</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Vicky Donoghue Margaret Keys	Karel Bijker Marion Moran	Karel Bijker Alf Barzen
<b>GREETER:</b>	Lyndal Seymour	Margaret Everett	David Cannon
<b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b>	Mike Murray	Allan Duffus	Alan Lean
<b>FINES-MASTER:</b>	Alok Sharma	Bruce Barber	David Payne
<b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b>	Barry Francis	John Studdert	Graham Russell
<b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>	Philip Cross	Alan Lean	Nepal Ghosh
<b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b>	Ellen Brasier	Neil Hilpern	David Payne

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.



28 members were present at the meeting, representing 67% of membership. Apologies were received from Terry Mecham, Laurie Fromholtz, Paul Galloway, Margaret Everett, Ellen Brasier, Gerry Page, Peter Veerhuis, Nepal Ghosh, Don Pembleton, David Cannon, Brad Bland, Peter Murray, Lyndal Seymour, and Graeme Callander.

### Administration Matters.

#### **Country Club Driveway Update.**

The upgrade to the driveway at the Country Club has been listed as one of the “My Community Projects” in the NSW Generations Fund. We, as members of the Country Club, are encouraged to vote for the project electronically.

You can vote online at [mycommunityproject.service.nsw.gov.au](http://mycommunityproject.service.nsw.gov.au) or at our local Service NSW Centre.

#### **To vote online:**

1. Log onto the above website
2. Login or create a MyService NSW Account
3. Provide your Medicare card details and residential address
4. Add 3-5 projects to your shortlist in the preferred order and vote.\

Voting closes on the 15<sup>th</sup> August.

### Clontarf Update

Vida Smart updated members on the growing success of the Mentor Driving program, with two members now having assisted Clontarf boys with accrual of Learner Driver hours.

She assured members that the approval process for participation in this scheme (through Red Cross) has been streamlined, and she urged more members to ‘sign up’ to participate, as it is a most worthwhile method of community service. Any member so inclined should let Vida know and contact Jennifer Cameron at Red Cross.



### Laurie Fromholtz update:

It was reported to the meeting that Laurie’s condition is much improved this week, and that he may be heading to Rehab in the near future. Hopes remain high for his full recovery.

### Apologies

A reminder to all that if you will not be attending a dinner meeting, and ring the Country Club to register your apology, please **ASK FOR THE OFFICE, NOT THE BAR** when you ring. The office staff have the apology book, and in this way we can be certain that your non-attendance will be noted. As the assumption is that you WILL be attending unless you notify the Country Club Office by 2.30 Wednesday (or write in the apology book at a prior meeting), a meal will be ordered for you, and **our Club will be charged for it**. So, if you don’t turn up or don’t apologise, we lose money (unless you pay at the next meeting).

### Short & Sweet.

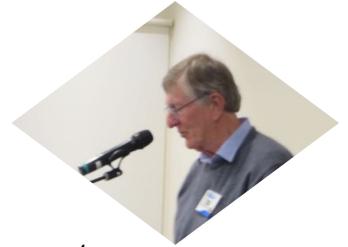
Brian Short gave a great summary of ideas for our club to follow up on our commitment towards improving water quality for needy communities.

With the existing relationship we have with Tutuala in Timor Leste through Paul Galloway and Gordon Saggars, it was suggested we look at drinking water and sanitation in this community.

These are some of the major factors in “Stunting” of new-born children in many countries:

- In Timor Leste the overall “stunting” in their children (0-5 years) is 50.2%.
- In some parts of the country it rises to 65% which is in stark contrast to Germany at 1.3% and Australia at 1.8%.

Thus, our club is to consider a pilot project in Tutuala and consider a strategic/business plan of education and advice on sanitation and better drinking water quality.



### Fines-Master Session.

Peter Smart was again Master of the Fine Session and seemed to capably fine every member two or three times (some even more).

He decided to put a more positive outlook on the fine session which is usually filled with negative thoughts.

Thus, instead of a fine session he decided to call it a “Facilitating and Assisting in Redistribution of Tithes” or FART for short. Thus, two FART assistants were called on to collect the FARTS.

Some of the FARTS focused on the origins of a few phrases which are part of our language nowadays, and included:

- The term “Piss Poor” which comes from the old tanning industry where urine was used for tanning.
  - the fine – anyone who has not had the pleasure of donating urine for this purpose.
- The phrase “Don’t throw the baby out with the bathwater”. – in olden times there was one bath and the whole family used the same water in order: men, then women, then children, then baby. The water was thus so dirty at the end that the saying arose “Don’t throw out the baby with the bathwater”.
  - the fine – anyone who is grateful for our modern arrangements.
- The origin of a “Brides bouquet of flowers”. In olden days bathing occurred once or twice a year and outside those times ladies carried posies of flowers to hide their smell.
  - the fine – Certain members of our meeting.
- Finally, members were urged to hand over all remaining change to the FART assistants’ boxes to ‘lighten the load before leaving’.



The FART Assistants

### Raffle Winner.



Brian Short drew and then won the raffle.

He however was most gracious and donated the wine back for a redraw where David Payne was the lucky winner.

### Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be held at the Country Club on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July, 6.00p.m. for 6.30, when our Guest Speaker will be Jim Gibson from Legacy.

## **Committee Discussions.**

Taking advantage of the absence of a guest speaker, President David called on members to spend some time considering this year's Club goals. Small Group Meetings (led by the directors) were convened after dinner, with the resulting ideas to be discussed at next week's board meeting. This is a summary of each Group's ideas:

### **Membership – Alok Sharma**

Many ideas were voiced and here are some of them:

- Honorary membership for local MPs and MLA's
- Approach Committee4Wagga members
- Have a club brainstorm for suitable members
- Target professions that we lack
- When approaching prospective members talk and show how the club has a lot of "mateship", interesting members, a great social feeling as well as good service projects.
- Still use the traditional approach
- Target guest speakers- send newsletters after they speak and invite them back as a club guest.
- Consider asking an acquaintance from the same profession as you
- There are some 900 golf club members who are familiar with the venue and may be interested.
- Advertise the speaker for next week on the council billboard and get anyone interested in hearing them to contact a nominated club member who will greet them and look after them



### **Community Service – Peter Smart.**

This group came up with the idea of a "Flow Calendar" for the year which lists our functions and services. It noted that our major function is to meet requests from other people.

### **International Service – Gordon Saggars.**

This group considered many of the points mentioned by Bryan Short (see Short & Sweet report), and as Paul and Gordon are considering going back to Tutuala at the end of this year it was important they find out:

- What is available and what the community wants, for true work with humanity is the ultimate we should aim for.

Thus it was seen that;

- Education that addresses the need for pure drinking water
- Education into sanitation, for it is contaminated water and bad sanitation that are two of the main causes for diarrhoea etc. which leads to the stunting of children in the first 1,000 days of life.



### **Public Relations – Mike Murray.**

The group suggested:

- An on-going PowerPoint screen to include what we've been involved in.
- Distributing old copies of "Rotary Down Under" to friends and waiting rooms.
- Create an even greater level of professionalism on the website, and maybe pay a professional.

### **Vocational Service – Vida Smart.**

Vida was standing in for Alan Lean and did great job. The main focus was on Clontarf at Mt. Austin High School. Some of the points mentioned were:

- Have a roster for members to attend the Clontarf barbeque each Friday morning.
- Help the senior students with their C.V.
- Conduct mock interviews with the senior students to prepare them for job interviews.
- More Rotary meetings to visit workplace sites.

**FACES 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)
- **22<sup>nd</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept** Zone 8 Rotary Conference – Christchurch NZ.
- **6<sup>th</sup> October** Wollundry Rotary Gears & Beers Festival.
- **28<sup>th</sup> November** Rotary Shine Awards
- **20-22nd March 2020:** Final D9700 Conference (Temora).
- **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020** Book Fair



**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -**

*(28<sup>th</sup> Jul to 3 Aug)*

- Birthdays:** Alan Lean (28/7)
- Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil.
- Wedding Anniversaries:** Neil & Shirley Hilpern (28/7)



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**Question of the week:**

*Do I have to watch Apollos 1 – 10 to understand Apollo 11?*

