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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: 10

Thursday 5th September 2019.

September is Rotary Basic Education & Literacy Month.

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 12 th Sept.	Thursday 19 th Sept.	Tuesday 24 th Sept.
PROGRAMME:	BOMEN DEVELOPMENT.	Barry Griffiths SES.	Combined Rotary Clubs Film Night.
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Rajinder Singh	Karel Bijker David Wynne	Karel Bijker
GREETER:	Elaine Almond	John Haezelwood	Not Required
SHORT & SWEET:	Tony Hutchinson	Neil Hilpern	Not Required
FINES-MASTER:	Peter Veerhuis	Ellen Brasier	Not Required
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Lyndal Seymour	Don Pembleton	Not Required
VOTE OF THANKS:	Vicky Donoghue	Alan Lean	Not Required
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Bryan Short	Vida Smart	Neil Hilpern

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 ☎ 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 if bringing a guest to a meeting.

MEETING REPORT: -

Attendance.

Twenty-nine members plus (Honorary Member) Bill Prest were welcomed to our meeting by President David Friedlieb. This represents 63% of our membership.



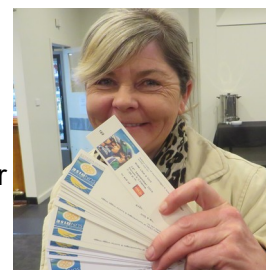
The normal invocation and toast were followed by a toast to Australia's 'gun' batsman Steve Smith. Showing first-class sportsmanship, Mike Murray (dressed in his English colours) somewhat hesitatingly joined in that toast.

Apologies were recorded from Alf Barzen, David Cannon, Elaine Almond, Gordon Saggars, John Studdert, Margaret Everett, Marion Moran, Mary Ann Kelly, Neil Hilpern, Peter Smart, Terry Mecham & Vida Smart.

Administration Matters.

The following matters were raised: -

1. There is a plethora of Rotary events planned for 21st September: -
 - a) The Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga Sunrise is hosting a **Retro Afternoon Tea** at 3 Olearia Place Lake Albert between 1:30 PM and 4:00 PM. Cost \$40 per person – all welcome. Sounds like fun!
 - b) The **Royce Abbey Peace Oration** – featuring retired NSW Police Commissioner Ken Moroney. Further details and tickets available via Ellen Brasier.
 - c) The **Rotaract Vs Rotary Ten Pin Bowling Competition** will be held at the Wagga Bowl (Trail Street) commencing 7:00 PM for 7:30 PM. Three representatives from each Club are required. Why not get a team up and support this event. Contact Clare Lawlor (Mob: 0468 372 7730 for further particulars. Cost \$25 for two games – **RSVP to Clare by 17th September.**
2. Members please note, there is **no meeting scheduled for Thursday 24th September.** In lieu, members are requested to attend the **Combined Rotary Clubs Movie Night** to raise funds for Polio-Plus. Lyndal Seymour is co-ordinating the sale of tickets – see her soon – don't miss out.
3. President David has been invited to address the thirty-fifth Changeover Meeting of the Wagga Probus Club. This Probus Club was sponsored by our Club.
4. The Wollundry Rotary Club is hosting their **Beers & Gears Festival** on the Sunday of the coming long weekend (6th October). Volunteers were called to assist. David Kennedy, Graeme Callander & Don will be assisting as marshals on their motorcycles. In addition, Vicki, Peter Veerhuis, Peter Murray, Allan, Mike, Alok, Alan Lean, Bryan, David Friedlieb, Elaine and Lyndal registered to assist. Any additional members available to assist should let Ellen know.
5. We are currently seeking donations of stock (Saleable books, sheet music, CD's DVD's and the like) for our Annual Book Fair. Attached to this Bulletin you will find four flyers – please print them out and distribute one to any potential donor.
6. This year's **Shine Awards** are currently in the planning stage. Alan Lean is seeking nominations of both employers and employees. Speak to Alan (Mob: 0434 548 161) if you know of any potential nominees.
7. Assistance is required for a **BBQ** event on Sunday 20th October (10:00 AM to 2:00 PM). Names will be sought at a meeting closer to the event.



Raffle Winner.

The Lucky Door Prize winner for this week is Margaret Keys who promptly discovered that she had five 'friends' sitting on her table, all anxious to assist her savour her prize.

The lucky number (E85) was drawn by Bill Prest.

Short & Sweet.

An interesting but true tale from David Kennedy.

In 1960, whilst undertaking 'le grand tour' of Europe (as many young aspiring musicians did in those years) David was robbed of his prize Buffet clarinet, which had cost £225 (the equivalent of nine weeks wages at that



time). Quite by accident, he discovered a Paris suburban music shop and did his best to wear out his welcome, testing numerous clarinets whilst the aged gentleman was trying to shut up shop. It was only by accident, when the oboe player from the visiting New York Philharmonic Orchestra arrived on the scene, that David discovered that the gentleman that had been annoying was none other than Mr Henri Selmer, one of the finest clarinet makers of the twentieth century. David eventually purchased one of Mr Selmer's instruments for £27 and has that instrument still in his possession today – now insured for \$4,000.

Fines-Master Session.

David Wynne conducted the Fines Session in his normal good-humoured manner.

The session was orientated around food, and as David explained, any member who had not partaken of some form of food in recent times would be a rarity. Thus all contributed to the Club's finances much to Treasurer Nepal's satisfaction – as it is now a little easier to balance the books.

Brainstorming.

President David invited comments on all matters relevant to our meetings from the floor. Some interesting suggestions ensued: -

1. In lieu of the scheduled Club Nights, a novelty night might be appreciated by the members. Themes such as a Sports Apparel Night (obviously motivated by Graeme Callander's attire for the night) or a Hobbies & Collectibles Night were suggested.
2. As a change from The Country Club, it was suggested that the commercial Tour of the Historic Fitzmaurice Street Pubs would be of interest.
3. A review of the name of our Weekly Bulletin 'Crow About' was suggested – this was prompted following recent comments from the local Wiradjuri Elders on the origin of the Wagga Wagga name, plus the fact that more magpies than crows are often seen in this city.

In addition, following on from Item 3 above, and in view of the pending football finals season, a number of magpie jokes were rendered by numerous members (all obviously anti-Collingwood) – but the jokes might be on them come grand final day??



PERSONNEL NOTES: -

A recent report dated 3 Sep 2019 from Terry & Fran Mecham stated: -

“Well, we are well and truly on the way home. We are currently in Brisbane after Nambour. Today was 26^c, and tomorrow is predicted to be 31^c. We will be back in NSW on Wednesday, and still on target to be back home around the 19th.”

SEPTEMBER IS ROTARY BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH: -

The Rotary Foundation is probably our primary method of providing support for **Basic Education & Literacy** throughout the world. For your information, a proportion of your annual subscriptions is directed to the Rotary Foundation. Additional donations are encouraged and can be arranged either through Club Treasurer or directly via the Foundation's Australian website: -

<http://www.tarft.org.au/>

The Foundation transforms our donations into service projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. Since it was founded more than 100 years ago, the Foundation has spent more than \$US4 billion on life-changing, sustainable projects.

During the 2018 fiscal year alone, the Foundation awarded \$US 86.7 Mil in funding to 1,306 grants. This included \$US 11 Mil supporting **Basic Education & Literacy**.



Rotary Foundation Mission Statement: -

“The mission of the Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty”

With your ongoing help, the Foundation can make lives better in our community and around the world.



NEXT MEETING: -

Our next meeting will see us once again enjoying the hospitality of the Wagga Country Club.

We expect that our Key-Note Speaker will be a representative of the Wagga Wagga City Council who will provide a summary of the development and aspirations for the **The Riverina Intermodal Freight & Logistics (RiFL) Hub** (Bomen Business Park). This development is expected to greatly enhance business opportunities in this region by capitalising on the excellent location and access to capital cities by rail and road connections.

This is another opportunity for you to promote our Club to your friends and colleagues by inviting them to attend our meeting. But please remember to inform the Country Club of any variation to numbers for catering purposes (see instructions at the base of page one of this publication).

THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Graeme's attire – configured to stimulate a reaction from President David.

David Wynne entertained us with his prose – 'Bluey and the Goat'.

Representatives of our Club at the recent Biggest Ever Blokes Lunch.

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



- ◆ 11th Sept. PCYC Fundraiser featuring Jessica Watson OAM.
- ◆ 21st Sept. Royce Abbey Peace Oration.
- ◆ 21st Sept. Sunrise Rotary – Retro Afternoon Tea.
- ◆ 21st Sept. Rotaract v Rotary – Ten-Pin Bowling Competition.
- ◆ 22nd-23rd Sept. Zone 8 Rotary Conference (Christchurch NZ)
- ◆ 24th Sept. Polio Plus Movie Night – “Ride Like a Girl” (the Michelle Payne story)
- ◆ 26th Sept. **NOTE!!** No Rotary Meeting this night – members are encouraged to attend the Combined Rotary Clubs Film Night (24th Sept).
- ◆ 6th Oct Wollundry Rotary Gears & Beers Festival.
- ◆ 20th Oct. BBQ – Apex Park, supporting Juvenile Diabetes Research (10 AM to 2 PM).
- ◆ 28th Nov. Rotary Shine Awards
- ◆ 15th-16th Feb. PETS Training & Dinner Goulburn.
- ◆ 20-22nd Mar. Final D9700 Conference (Temora).
- ◆ 2nd & 3rd May. Wagga Rotary Club Annual Book Fair



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(15th Sep to 21st Sep)

Birthdays:

John Studdert (16/9), David Cannon (17/9), Philip Cross (17/9) and Bronwyn Callander (20/9).



Rotary Anniversaries:

Nil.

Wedding Anniversaries:

Howard & Pamela Mendel (16/9) and Gerry & Joan Page (20/9)



☞KOOKABURRA☞

When I was a kid, my parents would always say, "Excuse my French" just after a swear word... I'll never forget my first day at school when my teacher asked if any of us knew any French



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The next Fair will be held 2nd & 3rd May 2020 at the Wagga Showground, and we welcome donations of material suitable for the sale..

WE WELCOME:

SALEABLE Books, Sheet Music, CDs, DVDs

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Encyclopaedias, Videotapes, Sound Tapes,
Magazines, OR MATERIAL IN POOR CONDITION.

ITEMS CAN BE LEFT NOW AT:

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(If Collection is required, (leave contact details on our website
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