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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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Thursday 26th January 2012

Upcoming programs & events: **Movie Premiere, Thursday, 23rd February**

Duty Officers' Roster

Club meets at the Jezza Room, The Rules Club, 6pm for 6.30pm unless stated below

	Thursday 2 nd February	Thursday 9 th February	Thursday 16 th February
Programme	Club Assembly	Shine Recognition Dinner Partners' Night	PDG Fred Loneragan
Attendance	Karel Bijker David Payne	Karel Bijker Bryan Short	Karel Bijker Ailsa Bowman
Greeter	Alok Sharma	Ruth Barber	Charlie Blomfield
Sergeant at Arms	Neil Hilpern	Karel Bijker	Ellen Brasier
International Toast	John Studdert	Phil Jackson	Karen Brill
Introduce Speaker	N/R	N/R	Graeme Callander
Vote of Thanks	N/R	N/R	David Cannon
Bulletin	Ailsa Bowman	Peter Veerhuis	Peter Veerhuis
BINGO Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m	Sunday 5th February David Cannon Bryan Short	Sunday 12th February Paul Galloway Phil Cross	Sunday 19th February Alok Sharma John Goldsworthy



If you cannot attend a meeting, please lodge your apology with **THE RULES CLUB** phone **6931 1511** by **2.30 pm Wednesday** (or pre-record it in the apology book provided at the meeting attendance table.) Also, for catering purposes, please advise if bringing a guest or partner to a meeting.

Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty.

ATTENDANCE: There were 27 members in attendance with a Makeup from Charlie Blomfield bringing our attendance to 63.6%. Special Club Guests were Honorary Members Arthur & Flo Nixon, Malcolm Nixon, Jenny Nixon and Bruce Pike. In addition, members brought along 24 guests, making a total attendance of 55.

THANK YOU Terry Mecham and your Helpers for again providing a wonderful feast!

APOLOGIES: Zvonne Hribar, Michelle Maddison, John Turner, Charlie Blomfield, Peter Veerhuis, David Cannon, Rob Sharkie, Glendyn Groves, Laurie Fromholtz, David Payne, Ailsa Bowman.

CLUB NOTES:

- Congratulations to Jenny Gorrel for her OAM-a well deserved recognition of her community contributions over many years.
- The annual Peace Ceremony is on Sunday 19th February from 11 to 12 noon.
- **Change of Date** The Film Night will be on Thursday 23rd February, 2012, to raise funds for Polio Plus. Showing will be "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" starring Judi Dench, Maggie Smith, Bill Nighy, Dev Patel & Tom Wilkinson. British Retirees travel to India to take up residence in what they believe is a newly restored hotel. Less luxurious than its advertisements the Marigold Hotel nevertheless slowly begins to charm in unexpected ways. Please make every effort to attend & invite non-Rotarian friends as the aim is for an attendance of over 250, in order to raise significant funds. It starts at 7 p.m.
- The District Conference will be held in Young on the weekend of the 23-25th March. Some accommodation is still available.
- The Eric Bogle Concert will be held at the King's Church on 25th February at a cost of \$35. It features Eric Bogle in person, along with the Murrumbidgee Magic Choir, Matthew Olsen and The Rugby Choir, which boasts several of our Rotarians as choristers.
- A RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) meeting is to be held at the Cowra Bowling Club on the weekend of the 4th and 5th February. Please contact Alok Sharma for more details. The Darkness to Light Project has been recognised as the best International event. Alok unfortunately cannot attend as he is on call that weekend. He is looking for members to attend, particularly someone to present the Topic for the Club. President Barry, Gordon Saggars and Graham Russell are planning to attend this meeting. There is still room for one or two more.
- Wendy Harding's mother passed away suddenly in Swan Hill recently. Our condolences to Peter & Wendy for the sad loss of their mother.

Australia Day Breakfast:

Our special guests for Breakfast were Arthur and Flo Nixon, along with Arthur's son, Malcolm, his daughter, Jenny and her partner, Bruce Pike. Bruce transported them all in his 1965 Holden Hydramatic restored sedan so they arrived and departed in style-see photo below. Arthur and Flo have "hung up their Rotary boots" and decided to become Honorary Rotarians so to mark the occasion Arthur was presented with a sapphire PHF and a Certificate of Service for his 40 years in the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga. Arthur joined the Club on 25th February, 1971 and was the Club President in 1985-86 when he facilitated the building of the Girl Guides Hall in Jack Avenue, Mt Austin. For forty years Arthur has served Rotary tirelessly and has always upheld the motto of "Service above Self". He has certainly earned his PHF Sapphire Pin award. Congratulations Arthur.



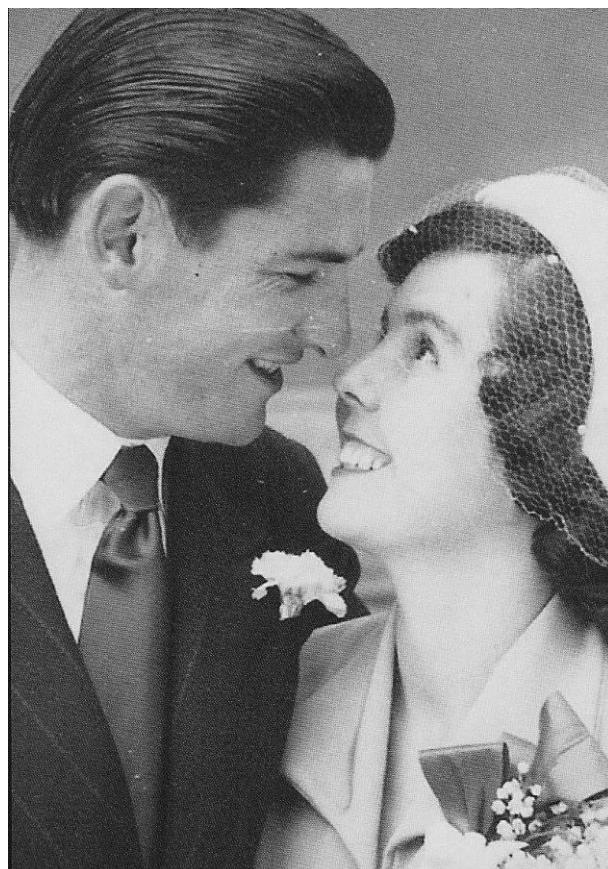
President Barry Francis pins the PHF Sapphire Pin onto Arthur Nixon at the Australia Day Breakfast in the Botanical Gardens.



Alok made a cake for the occasion which was cut by our new OAM, Jenny Gorrel. Congratulations Jenny and thank you Alok.



Laurie Fromholtz was born at Leeton on 4 March 1929 to parents Mary Constance (Connie) Fromholtz, nee O'Halloran, and Herbert Fromholtz (Frommie). Laurie's family came from the area while his Mother's family were early settlers in Wagga. His Father's family originally came from Brocklesby and later Albury. They lived at Leeton and Burrinjuck Dam before coming to live in Wagga Wagga in the mid nineteen forties. Laurie has 3 brothers and two sisters.



Laurie commenced his career in Local Government as a Cadet Engineer at the Lockhart Shire Council. In 1952 Laurie took up a job with Waugoola Shire Council in Cowra and in 1967 his family shifted to Wagga. Laurie accepted a position with Wagga Wagga City Council as Design Engineer, then Deputy City Engineer before becoming City Engineer. Laurie was the last City Engineer of Wagga Wagga City Council from 1984 to 1993. Following the introduction of the new Local Government Act in 1993, Laurie became the first Director of Technical Services from 1993- 1994 when he retired to start his own business, mainly in the area of liaising with Councils and the RTA for B-Double routes and designing saleyards around Australia.

Wife Pat chose teaching as a career and when she graduated she went teaching, ending up at Lockhart, where she met Laurie, who was then a Cadet Engineer at the Lockhart Shire Council. They married in October 1951 and Laurie moved to Cowra where they produced, in quick succession, five children – four girls and then a boy.

Congratulations to Pat and Laurie on celebrating 60 years of marriage.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 3rd February to 9th February

Birthdays: Zvonne Hribar (8/2)

Wedding Anniversaries: Allan & Marnie Duffus (9/2)

Rotary Anniversaries: Phil Cross (4/2/1999) and Deniliquin 1992-1999



KOOKABURRA

Quiz for Bright People

There are only nine questions.

This is a quiz for people who know everything!

I found out in a hurry that I didn't. These are not trick questions.

They are straight questions with straight answers.

- 1. Name the one sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends.*
- 2. What famous North American landmark is constantly moving backward?*
- 3. Of all vegetables, only two can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons. All other vegetables must be replanted every year. What are the only two perennial vegetables?*

4. *What fruit has its seeds on the outside?*
5. *In many liquor stores, you can buy pear brandy, with a real pear inside the bottle. The pear is whole and ripe, and the bottle is genuine; it hasn't been cut in any way. How did the pear get inside the bottle?*
6. *Only three words in standard English begin with the letters 'dw' and they are all common words. Name two of them.*
7. *There are 14 punctuation marks in English grammar. Can you name at least half of them?*
8. *Name the only vegetable or fruit that is never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form except fresh.*
9. *Name 6 or more things that you can wear on your feet beginning with the letter 'S.'*

Answers To Quiz:

1. *The one sport in which neither the spectators nor the participants know the score or the leader until the contest ends: Boxing.*
2. *North American landmark constantly moving backward: Niagara Falls ... The rim is worn down about two and a half feet each year because of the millions of gallons of water that rush over it every minute.*
3. *Only two vegetables that can live to produce on their own for several growing seasons: Asparagus and rhubarb.*
4. *The fruit with its seeds on the outside: Strawberry.*
5. *How did the pear get inside the brandy bottle? It grew inside the bottle. The bottles are placed over pear buds when they are small, and are wired in place on the tree. The bottle is left in place for the entire growing season. When the pears are ripe, they are snipped off at the stems.*
6. *Three English words beginning with dw: Dwarf, dwell and dwindle...*
7. *Fourteen punctuation marks in English grammar: Period, comma, colon, semicolon, dash, hyphen, apostrophe, question mark, exclamation point, quotation mark, brackets, parenthesis, braces, and ellipses.*

8. *The only vegetable or fruit never sold frozen, canned, processed, cooked, or in any other form but fresh:*
Lettuce.

9. *Six or more things you can wear on your feet beginning with 'S':* *Shoes, socks, sandals, sneakers, slippers, skis, skates, snowshoes, stockings, stilts.*