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#### BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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Thursday 28th June, 2012

**Upcoming programs & events:** 

\*Our Changeover Dinner Thursday 5th July

# Duty Officers' Roster Club meets at the Jezza Room, The Rules Club,6pm for 6.30pm unless stated below

	Thursday 5 <sup>h</sup> July	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July
Programme	Changeover Dinner 6.30pm for 7pm	Peter Adams, Council Economic Development Director	President's Night
Attendance	Karel Bijker TBA	Karel Bijker David Payne	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus
Greeter	David Payne	Rob Sharkie	Bryan Short
Sergeant at Arms	TBA	Alok Sharma	John Studdert
International Toast	N/A	Peter Veerhuis	Ian Gibson
Introduce Speaker	N/A	John Studdert	President Daya
Vote of Thanks	N/A	Bryan Short	N/A
Bulletin	Neil Hilpern	Ailsa Bowman	Ruth Barber
Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m.	Sunday 8th July Tony Hutchinson Phil Cross	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> July David Cannon Gordon Saggers	Sunday 22nd July John Goldsworthy Bruce Heydon



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:**

29 members attended this week's meeting with 11 make-ups, giving us an attendance of 91%. Visiting Rotarian was Sarah Luff (Young)and Pree was the guest of Daya Govender. Apologies were received by 2:30pm Wednesday from Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Mike Murray, Peter Chenoweth, David Friedlieb, Laurie Fromholtz, Paul Galloway, Ruth Barber, Bruce Barber, Terry Mecham, Ellen Brasier, David Payne, Michelle Maddison, and Ian Gibson.

#### **CLUB NOTES:**

- Changeover Dinner start time is 6.30pm for 7pm.
- President Barry was given a round of applause as he introduced his final routine club meeting. He reported having spoken to Laurie Fromholtz, who indicated that he and Pat were still coming to terms with the very sudden and unexpected loss of their daughter Therese. They appreciated the many expressions of sympathy received, and Laurie plans to offer his personal thanks when he returns to the club in the new Rotary year.
- Barry also reported that Ruth Jackson is out of action suffering from Whooping Cough. Best wishes Ruth.
- SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR 2012/2013 will remain at \$250, consisting of \$50 for Rotary Foundation and \$200 in Club Fees. Treasurer Don will issue all members with an invoice detailing payment options.
- Rotary Peace Communities International Conference On the weekend 21 to 23 September 2012, Wagga Wagga Rotarians will host an International Conference of representatives of 55 Peace Communities around the world. Our City was the first Peace City in the world.
- Information Training Sessions for new Members will be held by Alan Lean on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> July after the meeting on those evenings.
- Late News! Graeme Callander reports that Wagga Winter Warmth was a huge success. We were overwhelmed with donations and could not get to pick them all up. St Vincent de Paul personnel will be collecting for the next few days from donors who we didn't get to see on Sunday. Attending from our Club were: John Studdert, Bill Prest, Mary Ann Kelly, Peter Veerhuis, Gordon Saggers, Alan Duffus, Barry Francis and Graeme. Well done all a fitting finale for the Rotary year.
- The next Literary Lunch will be held at the Magpies Nest on the 14<sup>th</sup> July at a cost of \$50. The Visiting Author is Kathryn Fox and all proceeds will go to the Northcott Society.

#### **CHANGEOVER DINNER**

The Dinner will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm for 7pm start, at a cost of \$40 per head. The theme for the evening is *Bollywood*. Be innovative in dressing up for an exciting and spectacular evening. Please contact Daya or Alok if you are looking for some Bollywood fashion tips. Get in the spirit!

### **Other Changeover Dinner Invitations:**

- Rotary Club of Coolamon, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 7pm for 7.30pm Coolamon Sports & Recreation Club \$30 per head. RSVP by 2<sup>nd</sup> June to Secretary: Email john@glassford.com.au phone 6927 6027.
- Rotary Club of Junee, Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> July-12.00-12.30 p.m. at the Junee Ex-Services Club-cost \$25 per person. RSVP Roger Quine 6924 1453 by July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST – Graeme Callander, proposed the toast to the Rotary Club of Makati West, in District 3830, Phillipines, and its President Mon Guerrero. The club, chartered in 1969, meets on Thursdays for lunch. Makati City is the financial and entertainment centre of greater Manilla, with 38 Rotary Clubs, 14 of them with lady presidents. Graeme visited there recently as guest of the members of last year's GSE Team who made a big impression during their visit to this District and our club.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS** was Mary Ann Kelly who while admitting to be somewhat unprepared for the session, used her Manly fighting spirit to bite a few legs and extract a quite a bit of 'blood' for the coffers.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Kate Bowyer from Little Paths Australia, told us that the organisation, formerly known as Kuleana Kids, was formed in 2009 after she returned from a volunteer experience in Tanzania.

She was profoundly changed after witnessing first-hand the struggles that these kids overcame every single day and after meeting and hearing these kid's stories that she felt a responsibility to never forget them and to always do what she could to help. Particularly after an experience she had with a young 7 year old boy who asked her very directly to 'never forget about him and the boys,' She promised him that I would tell people about him and the other kids and would always help him, however she could. This little boy's one wish was



education. She really didn't know how she could keep this promise until a friend told her to be brave, to start fundraising, just to do her best and see where it goes. Supported by a group of other like-minded young women, she did just that.

During 2010 Kate moved to Tanzania and worked for around a year, with an aim of deciding how best her group of supporters could use Australian raised funds to reduce the terrible reality of children living/working on the streets in different parts of the world.

As a result, in 2011, after Kate returned to Australia, Kuleana Kids was renamed Little Paths Australia after a Tanzanian proverb 'Little by little – a lot can be done' and their mission was strengthened with the decision to provide educational scholarships for children in need, with a particular focus on secondary school students - they decided the best way to assist in tackling the increasing epidemic of children living and working on the



streets was to empower them with education beyond primary school and outside of the centres that house children. They have extended their efforts into Cambodia in association with an Australian girl who also saw a need and acted.

They have set a fund-raising target of \$100,000 and are well on the way assisted by a keen group of supporters who, among other things arrange trekking experiences as a fund-raiser. Kate was thanked by Alan Lean.



BARRY'S YEAR

A FEW SNAPSHOTS

**Guest Speakers** 

**Overseas Visitor** 



**Club Assembly** 



Shine Awards



**Book Fair** 



Partners on the Job





### **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES** 6<sup>th</sup> July to 12th July

**<u>Birthdays</u>**: Christine Atkinson (7/7)

Wedding Anniversaries: Karel & Wendy Bijker (10/7)

Rotary Anniversaries None

## **ENCOKABURRA**





Wow - here we are in Venice and I didn't expect the Book Fair message to have spread so far - this quaint bookshop seems to have its book donations bundled up out the front, ready for us to take. Hmmm might be a bit far for Graham or Bruce to do a pick-up. What's the other options?





Boats a bit crowded

Gondolas a bit slow

Not sure which one of these is mine

Hell! What's this mean? Might have to give it a miss pity