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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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Thursday 9th February, 2012

Upcoming programs & events: **MOVIE PREMIERE** Thursday, 23rd February

BOOK FAIR 19th & 20th MAY (Note Diaries)

Duty Officers' Roster

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

	Thursday 16 th February	Thursday 23 rd February	Thursday 1 st March
Programme	PDG Fred Loneragan	Movie Premiere	Job Talk Daya Govender
Attendance	Karel Bijker Ailsa Bowman	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus	Karel Bijker Daya Govender
Greeter	Charlie Blomfield	N/R	Paul Galloway
Sergeant at Arms	Karel Bijker	N/R	John Goldsworthy
International Toast	Don Pembleton	N/R	Daya Govender
Introduce Speaker	Graeme Callander	N/R	Graham Gorrel
Vote of Thanks	David Cannon	N/R	Glendyn Groves
Bulletin	Peter Veerhuis	Neil Hilpern	Neil Hilpern
BINGO Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m	Sunday 19th February Alok Sharma John Goldsworthy	Sunday 26th February Don Pembleton Gordon Saggars	Sunday 4th March Bruce Heydon David Payne



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: 33 members attended our meeting with make ups from Gordon Saggars, Barry Francis (both at RAWCS) and 3 from Mary Ann Kelly (Peace Committee and Bingo) giving a percentage of 83%. Visiting Rotarians were Phil Ogden (Myrtleford) and John Egan (Wollundry). Club Guests were Carmel Coggin and her parents, Carmel's work Supervisor Charmaine Berger, Maria Egan, Leighton Marshall, Pam Marshall, Brian Kahlefeldt, Joy Kahlefeldt, Johnathon Hawe (Operations Manager McDonalds), Chris and Jenny Cabot (Wagga Air Centre), Ken and Cheryl Roberts, Judy Galloway, Smie Madden. Members' partners were Leonie Blomfield, Bruce Bowman, Meryll Cross, Marney Duffus, Christine Francis, Christine Heydon, Lyn Hutchinson, Kaye Lean, Fran Mecham, Carole Murray, Joan Page, Sally Short and Joan Veerhuis. Apologies were received by 2.30pm Wed 8th Feb from: Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Laurie Fromholtz, David Cannon, Peter Chenoweth, Graham Gorrel, Neil Hilpern, David Payne, Bill Prest and John Studdert.

CLUB NOTES:

- Graham Gorrel had his keyhole operation at Calvary Hospital on Wednesday 8th February and was allowed to go home today, Thursday 9th February.
- President Barry reported that Bill Prest lost his brother Jack who died at Goulburn on Tuesday 7th February. Also, Dot Prest has a medical problem and will be going to Sydney next week to see a Specialist.
- **Members, please take note!** Peter and Wendy Harding have changed their email address as follows: shanma05@bigpond.com
- **BOOK BOOK BOOK SORT. A recent, very big influx of books requires an early sort to be held Saturday morning 25th February from 9 am. Please put into your diary and come, join in!**
- The annual Peace Ceremony is on Sunday 19th February from 11am to 12 noon.
- Pride of Workmanship Award ceremony is on February 28th.
- President Barry and Gordon Saggars attended the RAWCS Training weekend at Cowra to present Alok Sharma's Darkness to Light Program.
- **The District Conference will be held in Young on the weekend of the 23-25th March. Some accommodation is still available and President Barry has Registration forms.**
- The **Eric Bogle Concert** will be held at the King's Church Auditorium on Sunday 25th February at a cost of \$35 or \$30 concession. It features Eric Bogle in person, along with the Murrumbidgee Magic Choir, Matthew Olsen and the Wagga City Rugby Male Choir, which boasts several of our Rotarians as choristers. Bookings available at **Wagga Visitors Centre (not the Civic Theatre)**.
- **RYDA** will be held 26th – 30th March at the Equex Centre. Volunteers will be needed to man barbeques as well as to organise participants.
- **The annual "Hat" Day will be held on Friday 18th May.**
- Phil Cross has copies of the "Humanity in Motion" book for sale at a cost of \$3.50.
- **PLEASE – who has the copy of our "International Toast Book? Please return.**

INTERNATIONAL TOAST: was proposed by Don Pembleton to the Rotary Club of Shiner, Texas, USA in District 5870. The Club was chartered in 1946. The President is Elaine Gomulka. The District Governor of District 5870 is Suresh Pahwa. The Club meets on Wednesdays at 12.05 pm at Werner's Restaurant in Shiner. Don told us that the town of Shiner is "deep in the heart of Texas" and regards itself as the "Cleanest Little City in Texas". The local Brewery produces Shiner Bock, a dark German/Czech style beer!

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

The technology gremlins were out in force, and so Karel Bijker decided to try again next week



INAUGURAL SHINE AWARDS RECOGNITION NIGHT PRESENTATION.

Vocational Service Chairman **Alan Lean** opened proceedings by giving a brief outline of what the Shine Awards are. This is a new Project for our Club and grew out of an observation that men and women who have disabilities, and who enter the workforce, have not been adequately recognised by our Community. Following the formation of a sub-committee it was determined that there should be 3 awards: **first** to recognise an outstanding disabled employee; **second**, to recognise a small business which has taken on a disabled employee; and **third**, to recognise a large Corporation which has a policy of employing promising people with a disability. The successful Awardees for 2011 were **Carmel Coggin**, who has worked for the Catholic Education Office in Wagga for 15 years; Chris and Jenny Cabot of **Wagga Air Centre** for enthusiastically employing Ben, (who actually prefers to work rather than take holidays); and **McDonalds**, represented by their Operations Manager, Johnathon Hawe. McDonalds currently employs nine people with a disability.



Alan Lean, Carmel Coggin and Charmaine Berger Alan, Judy Galloway, Daya Govender, Brian Kahlefeldt

During this presentation the **Review Panel**, consisting of Brian Kahlefeldt, Judy Galloway and President-elect Daya Govender received recognition, as did members of the **Shine sub-committee** consisting of Cheryl Roberts, Sue Honey, Gary Northey, President Barry Francis and Charlie Blomfield. Also recognised were the **Club's Board** led by President Barry on behalf of our Club, with special mention of the **BBQ committee**, the **Daily Advertiser** (in attendance for photos) and **ABC Radio** for broadcasting an interview involving Awardees.

Everyone involved in this special Project deserves to be congratulated!

REPORT FROM THE BOARD: Club Secretary Peter Harding reported on the meeting held 17th January. Total donations approved at that meeting amounted to \$12,991. Substantial donations included were ROMAC \$2,000, Interplast \$2,000, the Murrumbidgee Life Education Van \$2,000 and John Glassford's Mountain of the Moon (Africa project \$5,109)

The Board is presenting 3 Pride of Workmanship awards for TAFE students; At 31 December 2011 the Club's General Account had a balance of \$25,663 and the Service Account balance stood at \$31,599; also, at that Board meeting, Alok Sharma presented an outline of various local and overseas proposals for eye replacements.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 17th February to 23rd February

Birthdays: Alok Sharma 20/2, Barry Francis 21/2, Merryl Cross 18/2, Sally Short 19/2, Joan Veerhuis 19/2.

Wedding Anniversaries: Phil and Ruth Jackson 23/2

Rotary Anniversaries: David Cannon 21/2/91, Rob Sharkie 22/2/91 and Lindfield 1975 – 1991

KOOKABURRA



Most of us are well aware that the Republican Party in the United States is currently going through a complicated process of conducting State Primaries, in order to select the most popular candidate to stand against President Barack Obama in the Presidential election to be held on the first Tuesday in November.

The current leader in that campaign is **Governor Mitt Romney**, who has lots of money and (some would say) lots of conflicting political positions. A common criticism of Governor Romney is that he is sometimes a liberal, sometimes a conservative and sometimes a moderate!

No surprise then that a story is doing the rounds which goes like this:- "A liberal, a conservative and a moderate go into a bar. The barman says "Hi Mitt!"

- **MOVIE PREMIERE** to raise funds for **POLIO PLUS** will be on **Thursday 23rd February, 2012**. 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. (You can copy the flyer below). It starts at 7 p.m at the Forum Cinema. Graeme Callander has tickets @ \$20 per head.

URGENT – 100 MEMBERS IN 100 DAYS – DG'S CHALLENGE !

In order to preserve our existing District 9700 as a cohesive unit, District Governor Ian Simpson is pleading that all District Rotarians join the challenge to recruit 100 members in 100 days. He promises that the Club which inducts the most members from 1 March to 30 June, will not be required to pay District Dues this year!

FOR FOLLOWERS OF BLACK CAVIAR, HERE'S ANOTHER CHALLENGE !

British bookmaker Coral would install Frankel as a narrow favourite if a showdown with fellow undefeated superstar Black Caviar (18 successive wins) eventuated at Royal Ascot.

While the mouth-watering possibility of the world's two best gallopers going head to head remains unlikely, Coral revealed the British colt would be the one to beat, just.

"However, a showdown with Frankel would be every racing fan's dream, and over the mile of the Queen Anne, we would only just favour the British colt."

Black Caviar's trainer Peter Moody gave the best line of all about a clash between the pair late in 2011. "They might meet one day, but it might be on a dark night and he might be climbing on top of her," Moody said.



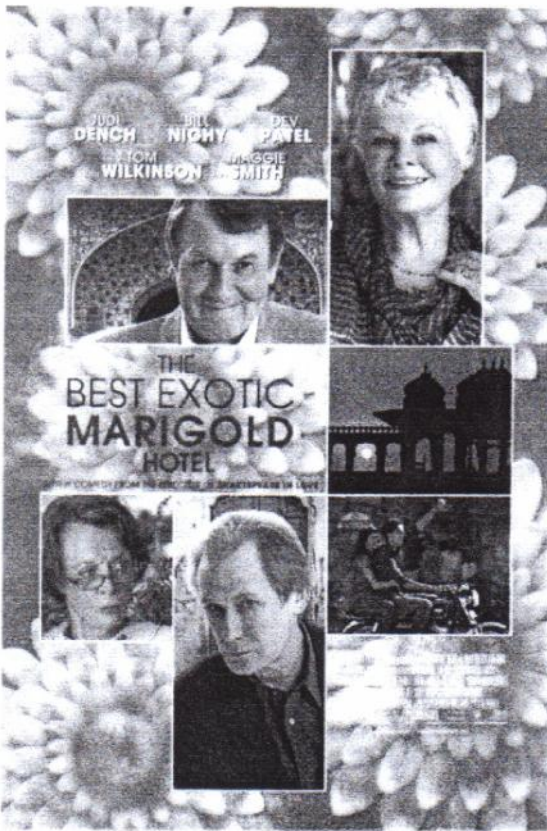
THE COMBINED ROTARY CLUBS OF WAGGA WAGGA

proudly present

THE AUSTRALIAN PREMIERE

of

"THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL"



This wonderfully entertaining movie tells the story of a group of misfit British pensioners who are enticed to retire to a fabulous hotel in Jaipur, India, where they are promised a life of luxury in an ex-Indian palace for a bargain price. Upon their arrival, they are dismayed to find that restoration of the once elegant Marigold Hotel has stalled.

There is water...sometimes, and electricity...sometimes. The hotel's eager manager, a young Indian entrepreneur, is quick to tell them that his ambitious renovation is going to turn the place around. Surprisingly, the retirees find themselves settling into this strange new world and creating bonds with each other. What their new life lacks in luxury they come to find is plentiful in adventure, stunning beauty, peace and love.

Starring: Judi Dench, Bill Nighy, Tom Wilkinson, Maggie Smith, Dev Patel, Penelope Wilton

This movie is available through a generous offer by 20th Century Fox to assist Rotary International with their major project "PolioPlus". The aim of this project is to rid the world entirely of Polio and since 1985, annual cases of Polio have dropped from 352,000 to a total of 794 for 2011 worldwide. We are so close but we mustn't stop now!

HELP ROTARY TO END POLIO NOW!

Forum Cinema, Trail St Wagga Wagga

Thursday 23rd February at 7.00pm

Tickets are \$20 per person

Available through any of the Wagga Rotary Clubs

or phone Graeme Callander on 6922 5046