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

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**Upcoming programs & events:** 

Rotary Peace Communities International Conference 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> September
 Duty Officers' Roster

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

	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> July Meeting at the Country Club	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug.
Programme	President's Night	Club Assembly	ТВА
Attendance	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus	Karel Bijker Glendyn Groves	Karel Bijker TBA
Greeter	Bruce Barber	Ellen Brasier	TBA
Sergeant at Arms	Alok Sharma	Karen Brill	TBA
International Toast	Brad Bland	Terry Mecham	TBA
Introduce Speaker	Charlie Blomfield	David Cannon	TBA
Vote of Thanks	Ailsa Bowman	Peter Chenoweth	TBA
Bulletin	Ruth Barber	Ellen Brasier	Peter Veerhuis
Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m.	Sunday 22nd July John Goldsworthy Bruce Heydon	Sunday 29th July Paul Galloway Alok Sharma	Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> August Don Pembleton 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:**

There were 33 members who attended this week's meeting with one make-up from Mary Ann Kelly, giving us an attendance of 73.3 %. Visiting Rotarians were Sarah Luff from Young and Neil Pinto from Wollundry. Apologies received by 2:30pm Wednesday were from: Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Bruce Barber, Alok Sharma, David Friedlieb, Terry Mecham, Karel Bijker, John Goldsworthy, Neil Hilpern, Bill Prest and

Laurie Fromholtz. Member's guests were Mark and Pauline Watson with sons Jacob, Fletcher and Harrison.

## **CLUB NOTES:**

- **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.
- Information Training Session for new Members will be held by Alan Lean on the 19<sup>th</sup> July after the meeting.
- Rotarian Mike Murray has returned to us having been missed by us all.
- Jacob Watson's brother gave us a demonstration of the scooter donated by our club to Jacob.



Jason's dad Mark thanked our club for the donation.

- Presentations of Rotary Health Certificates were received by Bryan Short, Karel Bijker, David Friedlieb, Alan Lean, Glendyn Groves, David Payne, Past President Barry Francis and Jacy Dundas from the Country Club.
- President Daya praised us for the great effort made to join in the spirit of the Changeover Dinner with costumes and "dressing up".
- Festival of Light celebration (Neil Pinto) will give us another opportunity to dress up again later in the year.
- President of Inner Wheel & members were thanked for a donation of \$1,000 to the Book Fair in May.
- 26<sup>th</sup> July- Club Assembly will be held.
- An extra microphone is now in place for question time.
- We have been invited to cater at the Bull Sale at "Birubi" (Sturt Highway first right after Mates Gully Road) on Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2012. This will be an all day event with tea, coffee, slices, lunch & drinks, supplied by us. We will require some volunteers for the cakes/slices as well as helpers throughout the day.

**INTERNATIONAL TOAST** was presented by Peter Veerhuis to Iverness Club, Cullodin in Scotland and is situated 17,169ks from Bribbaree.

The club has 42 members and is a dual gender club, chartered in 1998. North Scotland has 86 clubs in district 1010. Club meets 6:15 for 6:30 on Tuesdays. President is Iain Mackintosh.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS** Ruth Barber ably conducted the session and chose to fine members by the position of their table. A new idea which was different.

<u>GUEST SPEAKER</u> Dr Peter Adams was the Club's guest speaker and was introduced by John Studdert. He had previously worked at Kendell airlines, then CSU and after attaining his degree joined Wagga Wagga City Council.

He spoke about our city being in brilliant shape and mentioned our Graham (Gorrel).

In 2012 the council has long had long term growth and compared regions including Bathurst, Albury and Wagga with Wagga having better growth. He also mentioned NBN rollout, our Base Hospital, the Airport, and Bomen. These are strong eocnomic drivers and are really broad based. Refer to Saturday's Daily Advertiser re: the Simon Crean visit.

In 2012-2013 financial year flood works of \$35 million since the 2010 event, and is not yet finished being cleaned up. In March two Regional airports – Tamworth and Wagga gained security screens. \$25 million has been invested in the runway. Douglas Aero Space Hangar and runway at Wagga is bigger than Hamilton island but ground work is not yet completed.

Developments: Robertson Oval \$7,000,000 update plus facility, equestrian and CSU over 10 years. Sturt Highway, Warehouse (Masters) \$21,000,000. International Hotel, Mill Site, Residential growth, Lloyd, Forest Hill and ABC Radio renovating also Australian Marketing including Riverina Freight – ability to move all types of freight. Patricks from Melbourne and Remediation to Tarcutta Street Gas Works.

<u>About Council</u> 11 members now 9 – with 2 retirements. Mayor, Deputy Mayor elected by Council with 5 Directorates

- Operations expenditure 83.7 million
- New & Capital projects \$49.5 million
- Diversity of Services

This is a brief overview of projects ongoing and/or government investments.

Peter concluded by saying, "You can look back in 5 years time and see what a fantastic year this one has been".



Bryan Short, Peter Adams and President Daya.

President Daya then closed the meeting and invited members to remain to listen to a presentation from Rotarian Alan Lean for old and new members.

# YOU GET OUT OF ROTARY WHAT YOU PUT IN

#### **ROTARY AWARD of the Paul Harris Fellow.**

Mary Ann Kelly is a very good Rotary friend to the members of the Rotary club of Wagga Wagga. Eldest of 7 siblings she attended Wagga High. She decided to pursue the profession of Nursing completing training at Bega Hospital in 1977. She then joined her sister at Mona Vale Hospital on Sydney's north shore and gained her first glimpse of working in an operating theatre.

Mary Ann travelled overseas for fun and in so doing was bitten by the travel bug and worked at various locations nursing around the world. She returned to Sydney doing agency nursing & bar work then finding her way back to Wagga Base Hospital operating theatre, to increase her knowledge and experience.

In the mid 1990s Mary Ann, started working with Australian Red Cross in Kenya, Bosnia, Afghanistan, Sudan and Palestine. Mary Ann, on her first mission to Kenya, was a theatre operating educator for nurses. Mary Ann returned home to family and normality to have relief from war torn atrocities.

She has spoken to a variety of community groups to raise awareness of world aid including: CWA, Mt. Erin, ladies clubs, health and education groups including nurses and doctors.

Mary Ann found a new challenge as a health service manager at Urana then being seconded back to WWBH to aid in the new hospital restructure. Work is still in progress and she enjoys the challenge.

Being heavily involved in the restructure and frustrations of the health service Mary Ann became a member of Wagga Rotary but on Thursday evenings Mary Ann was un-contactable along with Friday & Saturday nights because of Footy and her one-eyed favouritism towards the Manly Sea Eagles. Rotary can't have enough of Mary Ann.

Mary Ann has been on the board for several years as Public Relations Director and Membership Director, re-engineering our image with new logo, shirts, badges, and banner etc.



Mary Ann was awarded the Peter Walsh Rotarian of the Year award in 2010 and is heavily involved in Australian Rotary Health as district representative.

Mary Ann is also on the committee for the international Peace Conference as well as the committee organising the visit for the International President Kalyan Banerjee

PP Barry Francis presents Mary Ann Kelly with her PHF pin.

#### UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 20th July to 26th July

**<u>Birthdays</u>**: Mary Ann Kelly (23/7), Glendyn Groves (23/7)

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

**Rotary Anniversaries** John Turner (24/7/2008)



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#### Spell Checker (and why we don't rely on it!)

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