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

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Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2012

Upcoming programs & events: **BOOK FAIR 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> MAY (Note Diaries)**

**Clean Up Australia Day Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March**

**Duty Officers' Roster**

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

	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February	Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> March	Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> March
<b>Programme</b>	<b>Movie Premiere</b>	<b>Job Talk Daya Govender</b>	<b>Business Coaching Jeremy Hutchins</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus	Karel Bijker Mike Murray	Karel Bijker Glendyn Groves
<b>Greeter</b>	N/R	Paul Galloway	Neil Hilpern
<b>Sergeant at Arms</b>	N/R	John Goldsworthy	Peter Harding
<b>International Toast</b>	N/R	Allan Duffus	Bruce Heydon
<b>Introduce Speaker</b>	N/R	Tony Hutchinson	Graham Gorrel
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	N/R	Glendyn Groves	Mary Ann Kelly
<b>Bulletin</b>	Neil Hilpern	Neil Hilpern	Gerry Page
<b>BINGO</b> Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m	<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February</b> Don Pembleton Gordon Saggars	<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March</b> Bruce Heydon David Payne	<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March</b> Graham Gorrel Gerry Page



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:** 32 members attended our meeting and there were no make-ups, giving us an attendance percentage of 74.45%. Visiting Rotarians were Phil Ogden and Joyce Ogden (Myrtleford), Fred Loneragan (Sunrise), John Glassford (Coolamon), Mary Henley-Collopy, Helen Maxwell and Lloyd Maxwell (Temora), Mark Janetzki (Henty), Club Guests were Rae Loneragan, Susan Glassford and Quinn Hart. Apologies were received by 2.30pm Wed 15th Feb from: Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Laurie Fromholtz, Graham Gorrel, Bill Prest, Gordon Saggars, Rob Sharkie, Allan Duffus, Michelle Maddison, David Friedlieb, Bryan Short and Ruth Barber.

### **CLUB NOTES:**

- **BOOK BOOK BOOK SORT.** A recent, very big influx of books requires an early sort to be held Saturday morning 25<sup>th</sup> February from 9 am. Please put into your diary and come, join in!
- Chair of the Community Service Committee, David Friedlieb, advises that “Clean Up Australia Day” will be held on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March. Our Club has registered to work in the usual Red Hill Road spot. Council will place a skip there, and 20 bags plus gloves and a First Aid Kit will be provided. **David reports that we will have to get hold of High Vision Safety Shirts or Vests. Can anyone help? This is now an OH&S requirement – and we must remain more than 3 metres from the road at all times!**
- A jubilant David Cannon announced that the liquidators of Bidgee Finance (a victim of the Global Financial Crisis), have now finalised all repayments of the debt owing to our Club. The full amount of the money outstanding plus interest has now been received by the Board. To celebrate, David left \$100 at the bar so we could all join in the celebration by sharing free drinks!



**A jubilant David Cannon shouts the bar!**



**Graeme Callander and Ailsa Bowman**

- Pride of Workmanship Award ceremony is on February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- **The District Conference will be held in Young on the weekend of the 23-25<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> 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 18<sup>th</sup> May.**
- **The Manager of Origin Energy (at Bomen), has been providing our BBQ team with free gas for a number of years.** Origin will be having an “Open Day” on 16<sup>th</sup> March. The Club will be putting on an all day BBQ at the Origin Energy site from 9 am to about 3 pm.

**INTERNATIONAL TOAST:** There was no International Toast tonight.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS:** Karel Bijker had more success with technology this week and was able to show us a highly entertaining group of video clips which included the following:

- A kissing competition, which involved a number of girls, who expected to be kissed by handsome men, were then blindfolded, and were then actually smooched by trained monkeys!
- An advertisement to market glasses, showing an athletic man with poor eyesight trying to catch a bowling ball. We assume he was able to avoid the final disaster!
- Foreign visitors travelling in the outback, come upon a Kangaroo that looked as if it needed a bit of TLC. The male driver gets out to comfort the animal and his female friend takes a photo. Then the female kangaroo goes on its way. When they get back into their vehicle, the keys are missing. We are led to presume that those keys are deposited in Skippy's pouch!

Using these and other videos as a basis, Karel Bijker was able to extract a large sum of money from his appreciative audience! Treasurer Don Pembleton was also suitably impressed.

**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!

**SHOW AND TELL** Brad Bland entertained us with his collection of redundant Business signs which included Goldsbrough Mort & Co Ltd, Gippsland and Northern Co Ltd, Victorian Producers Co-op Ltd and A.M.L. and F Co Ltd. In collecting at least one of those signs, Brad just happened to have easy access to a screwdriver! Graham Russell helped Brad by holding up those signs. It was Graham's initiative which has encouraged members to show off their sentimental favourites in this Club year! A unique idea!



**Brad Bland Shows and Tells!**



**President Barry Francis donates \$5,109 to a top cause**

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Past District Governor, Fred Loneragan, gave Club members an outline of the challenges and joys involved in the climb of Mount Kilimanjaro by various District 9700 Rotarians and their supporters. It was clear that the climbers set out in tropical conditions - but those who reached the top, found themselves in icy, snowy conditions. Climbers, John Glassford and Fred Loneragan, reached a height of 3,380 metres (to the John Matte huts) while those who climbed to the highest point in Uganda, reached 5,109 metres (16,763 feet).



Of course, the objective of this whole exercise is to achieve Rotary goals. Proceeds are distributed to the following 4 programs. (1) Rotarians Fighting Aids (Kenya), (2) School of St Jude's (Tanzania), (3) Bishop Masereka's Medical Care Clinic (Uganda) and (4) Operation Medical Hope (South Africa).

John Glassford encouraged our Club to concentrate on one particular cause which involves the Coolamon Club. That cause is "Coolamon House" at Hout Bay, which concentrates on AIDS prevention and counselling. That need is great when we hear about the statistics and about dreadful human behaviour which continues to spread AIDS.

President Barry Francis then presented the "Team" with our Club's cheque in the amount of \$5,109 which was made payable to "Roadmaps"

This was a most informative session. The speakers were introduced by Graeme Callander and thanked by David Cannon.

### **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 24th February to 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**Birthdays:** Mike Murray 26/2.

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil

**Rotary Anniversaries:** Arthur Nixon 25/2/1971

## **❧KOOKABURRA❧**



**Whether the Wagga Wagga City Council chooses to dismantle the Hampden Bridge or to repair it, we ratepayers will pay for it!**

**The need for Bridging Finance and related puns.....**

**If we are able to see the punny side it helps us to cope.**

Those who jump off a Paris bridge are in Seine.

Shotgun wedding: a case of wife or death.

A successful diet is the triumph of mind over platter.

A gossip is someone with a great sense of rumour.

When you dream in colour, it's a pigment of your imagination.

When two egotists meet, it's an I for an I.

What's the definition of a will? (Come on, it's a dead give-away!).

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

If you don't pay your exorcist, you get repossessed.

Show me a piano falling down a mine shaft, and I'll show you a flat minor.



**ROTARY BUS TOUR**  
**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2012**  
*Featuring Lockhart and Surrounds*

**Visiting**

- ❖ **Antiques Under the Verandahs**
- ❖ **National Historic Truck and Commercial Vehicle Show**  
**including live entertainment with Ray Maccartney**
- ❖ **Doris Golder Gallery of Wool Fleece Art at the Greens Gunyah Museum**
- ❖ **Historic Urangeline Woolshed**
- ❖ **Pleasant Hills Hotel (first Community Licensed Hotel in NSW)**
- ❖ **Yerong Creek Estate Vineyard**

Air conditioned bus with tour guide on board, will leave Wagga Wagga Information Centre, Tarcutta Street at 8.30 am on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Cost is \$65 per person which includes all entrance fees and a light lunch.

**Tour hosted by the organising committee of the  
Rotary Peace Communities International Conference  
Wagga Wagga 2012**

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