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

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Upcoming programs & events:

\*District Changeover Dinner 30<sup>th</sup> June

\*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 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> June
Programme	Golden days of Radio and Music Mel Mayer	Business and Trading in China Julian McLaren	WWCC Current Development Projects Peter Adams
Attendance	Karel Bijker Daya Govender	Karel Bijker Glendyn Groves	Karel Bijker Ailsa Bowman
Greeter	Karen Brill	Peter Chenoweth	David Friedlieb
Sergeant at Arms	Brad Bland	David Cannon	Daya Govender
International Toast	Alok Sharma	Tim Crowley	Paul Galloway
Introduce Speaker	Graeme Callander	Philip Cross	John Goldsworthy
Vote of Thanks	Neil Hilpern	Allan Duffus	Tim Crowley
Bulletin	Ailsa Bowman	Ruth Barber	Ellen Brasier
 <b>Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m.</b>	<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June</b> Graham Russell Karel Bijker	<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b> Brad Bland Daya Govender	<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June</b> Bruce Barber Ellen Brasier



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:** Thirty-seven members, together with 14 partners, attended the Australian Rotary Health Hat Night. There was one make-up from Peter Veerhuis at the Rotary Club of Randwick giving us an attendance percentage of 84.5%. Members' guests included Ian Gibson (Daya Govender), Joe Nour (Alok Sharma) and Elle Palmer (Graeme Callander). Club Guests were Jacy Dundas and Amy McLachlan. Apologies were received from Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Mike Murray, Ellen Brasier, Gerry Page and Tony Hutchinson.

**CLUB NOTES:**

- Those who took part in the **wine trip** last weekend reported that it was very enjoyable and successful. President Barry reported that President-elect Daya Govender gave assistance to Phil Jackson on Saturday evening.
- President Barry reported that the **gross receipts from the Book Fair** this year amounted to \$ 39, 665.70. That compares with last year's gross receipts of \$ 32,365.85. He again thanked all those who had been involved with that successful event.
- President Barry congratulated **Alok Sharma** on receiving the "Rotary Service Above Self Award" at last week's special Function held at the Country Golf Club.
- A special thanks to Alan Lean, Ruth Barber, Terry Mecham and Mary Ann Kelly for organising the visit of RI President Kalyan Banerjee and Mrs Binota Banerjee.
- **Appreciation** - Alok Sharma responded by giving tribute to all who had been instrumental in guiding and helping him during his life, both in India and in Australia. He was glowing in his praise of those Club members who had introduced him to Rotary and to those who have given him assistance to help him achieve his Darkness to Light Objectives.
- **A Certificate** was presented to the Functions Managers, Amy McLachlan and Jacy Dundas, from the Wagga Wagga Country Club for their wonderful assistance and co-operation before and during the Rotary International President's visit to Wagga Wagga.
- **Joan Veerhuis**, District Inner Wheel Extension Officer, addressed those ladies who are not yet members of the Wagga Inner Wheel Club, to consider becoming members. Any ladies who read this item – and who might want to follow it up – please phone Joan on **(0408) 694404**.
- **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.

**Changeover Dinner Invitations:**

- **Wagga Wagga Koorringal – 13<sup>th</sup> June** – \$ 30 – WW Country Club 6 for 6.30 pm
- **Lake Cargelligo Rotary 17<sup>th</sup> June** - \$25 – Sports Club-Noon
- **South Wagga Rotary 18<sup>th</sup> June** – \$ 40 - RSL Club - 6 for 6.30
- **Rotary Club Cootamundra 19<sup>th</sup> June** - White Ibis Restaurant
- **Rotary Club of Lockhart 19<sup>th</sup> June** - \$25- at the Football Club
- **Sunrise Rotary Club 21<sup>st</sup> Change over Dinner – 26<sup>th</sup> June** - \$50 per person.

- **Murrumbidgee Rotary 23<sup>rd</sup> June** - \$ 40 –Garden City Motor Inn, Wagga. 7.00 pm
- **Wollundry Rotary Club 26<sup>th</sup> June** - \$ 40 Commercial Club Wagga Wagga. 7.00 pm
- **Rotary Club of Henty 27<sup>th</sup> June** – 6.30 for 7.15 pm - Community Centre - President Barry will be attending. If anyone would like to accompany him, please let him know.
- **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](mailto:john@glassford.com.au) phone 6927 6027.

**Holbrook Changeover** – David Cannon and Mary Ann Kelly are off to Holbrook on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Both David and Mary Ann are friends of incoming President Kerry Morton. Other members are welcome to join them.

**INTERNATIONAL TOAST** – Bruce Barber presented the International Toast to the Rotary Club of Lae, Morobe Province, Papua New Guinea. The Lae Rotary Club meets on Tuesdays at the Lae International Hotel and the current President is Anthony Hopkins. The Rotary Club of Lae sponsored Kiteni Kuraki, a Royce Abbey Scholar who studied in Wagga Wagga and visited our Club.

**SERGEANT AT ARMS** – Graham Russell, in his usual efficient manner, told little stories about occasional tensions that can arise in marriages. It was noted that a husband's compliment to his wife's cooking was expressed as "you must have had great saucepans". He also raised the subject of shopping sprees and an amount of \$ 4,500 owing on a credit card; there was a little item about Bill Prest making a promise to God and then attempting to withdraw it at the last moment. Graham summed it all up with the quotation "some marriages are made in Heaven, but so is thunder and lightning". Don Pembleton gathered the financial proceeds with glee.

**CROSS FINE** – Peter Harding related how he had spent a lonely afternoon at Bingo on Sunday afternoon – waiting for Peter Veerhuis to arrive for Bingo Duty. The sum of \$5.00 was extracted as a penalty, with an apology.

**HEADS AND TAILS** - As part of the Hat Night Fundraising effort President Barry conducted a competition of Heads and Tails (gold coin donations by all). The winner was Rob Sharkie!

**THE BEST HATS** – The Judges announced the following winners for best hats for 2012. They were: Best Hat (Female): **Carol Studdert**; Best Hat (Male): **Ian Gibson**; Best Hats (Couple): **Tim & Jo Crowley**; Most Unusual Hat: **Joe Nour**; Smallest Hat: **Michelle Maddison**.





**AUCTION** - In order to maximise the fund-raising activity for our “Hat Night”, a variety of gift vouchers and bottles of wine were auctioned by Paul Galloway.

#### **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 8<sup>th</sup> June to 14<sup>th</sup> June**

**Birthdays:** Carol Studdert (8/6) Phil Jackson (9/6)  
Marnie Duffus (10/6) Rhonda Sharkie (13/6)

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Graeme and Bronwyn Callander (11/6)  
Peter and Wendy Harding (11/6)  
Rob and Rhonda Sharkie (12/6)

**Rotary Anniversaries** Bill Prest (9/6/1988) Michelle Maddison (12/6/2003)  
Graeme Callander (12/6/2003) Bryan Short (13/6/1985)

### **∞Kookaburra∞**



A lady walked into a bar and was greeted by a voice saying, “Nice dress.” She looked around but couldn’t see where the voice came from. A minute later she heard another voice, “Nice hairdo.” Again she looked around but couldn’t see anybody.

This happened a few more times before she said to the barman, “Did you hear those strange voices? Where are they coming from?”

“Oh, those voices are coming from the bowl of nuts on the bar. They’re complimentary!” (from Mike Murray’s Favourite Jokes page