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

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Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June, 2012

Upcoming programs & events:

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

\*Our Changeover Dinner Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> July

### Duty Officers' Roster

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

	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> July
Programme	Little Paths Charity (Kuleana Kids) Kate Bowyer	Changeover Dinner	Peter Adams, Council Economic Development Director
Attendance	Karel Bijker Glendyn Groves	Karel Bijker TBA	Karel Bijker David Payne
Greeter	Peter Harding	David Payne	Rob Sharkie
Sergeant at Arms	Mary Ann Kelly	TBA	Alok Sharma
International Toast	Terry Mecham	N/A	Peter Veerhuis
Introduce Speaker	Neil Hilpern	N/A	John Studdert
Vote of Thanks	Alan Lean	N/A	Bryan Short
Bulletin	Gerry Page	Neil Hilpern	Ailsa Bowman
<b>BINGO</b> Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m.	Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> July Brad Bland Bryan Short	Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> July Tony Hutchinson Phil Cross	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> July David Cannon Gordon Saggars



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:

30 members attended this week's meeting giving us an attendance of 66%. Visiting Rotarian was Tony Lord from the West Wyalong Club. Apologies were received by 2:30pm Wednesday from Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Mike Murray, Peter Veerhuis, Peter Chenoworth, Bryan Short, Mary Anne Kelly, Allan Duffus, David Friedlieb, Laurie Fromholtz, Brad Bland, Neil Hilpern, Paul Galloway, Ruth Barber and David Cannon.

### CLUB NOTES:

- President Barry welcomed us to his second last meeting as president and announced that Ruth Barber's mother had suffered a stroke. **Sadly, Ruth's mother died on Saturday and there will be a private burial in Griffith. Our thoughts are with Ruth, Bruce and family.**
- Zvonne Hribar is back home, being careful with his movements, enjoying 'home food' and will enjoy visits from any members. Give him a ring before calling as he doesn't always hear the bell.
- **Incoming President Daya needs to know numbers for Changeover Dinner by 29<sup>th</sup> June. The Dinner will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> July at a cost of \$40 per head. (See item below)**
- Wagga Rural Clinical School and Wagga City Council are holding a **free public health seminar on Prostate Cancer** on Monday, June 25 from 6:00pm til 7:30 pm in the Mirage Room , RSL Club. Light refreshments will be available. Phone: 69335111.
- New members Ian Gibson and Joe Nour were presented with their Rotary Shirts and Dinner Badges by President Barry.
- **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.
- **Wagga Winter Warmth** is being held on the 1<sup>st</sup> July. Volunteers are required to man the phones. There are two time slots-8:30 to 11:00 and 11:00 to 1:00. President Barry reminded us that Winter Warmth will become our responsibility next 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.
- **Refugee Week.** Tony Hutchinson asked for helpers for the BBQ on Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> June for Refugee Week.at Kyeamba Smith Hall. **Update! A good crew attended and fed quite a large crowd, entertained by various cultural groups in national dress. It was a busy scene overall, with the Cat Show in the Supper Room and Harvey Norman's Sale in Hammond Hall**
- **Past Member.** Rob Sharkie caught up with past member Paul and Edna Rafferty who are still living in Canberra. They asked to be remembered to their many friends in Wagga Rotary. Paul is still in Rotary and is in charge of the distribution of Street Swags in the Canberra area. He has already distributed 27 and awaiting the delivery of a further 27. Edna recently slipped on the back step and is slowly recovering from a broken shoulder. Paul is undergoing dialysis twice weekly and is feeling well, perhaps a little tired at times.
- **Canon Printer Cartridges.** If your printer uses Canon 521 cartridges you can get some new ones at a low cost---the price is a donation to the fine box. Please contact Rob Sharkie.

### CHANGEOVER DINNER

Incoming President Daya needs to know numbers for Changeover Dinner by 29<sup>th</sup> June. The Dinner will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> July at a cost of \$40 per head. The theme for the evening is Bollywood. He encourages us, along with our partners to be innovative in dressing up for an exciting and spectacular evening. He stated that we are having a special partner photo session with Bollywood backdrops as we enter, something that could be developed into a memorable portrait. Please contact Daya or Alok if you are looking for some Bollywood fashion tips. Get in the spirit!

#### Other Changeover Dinner Invitations:

- **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. 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.
- **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** –Tony Hutchinson, for Paul Galloway, proposed the toast to the Rotary Club of Kiev Central in Ukraine The President of the club is Alexander Nick-O-Lavin and the club meets every Tuesday and usually the 24 members have projects to speak about, the main purpose of which are to enrich the number of happy people, Rotary is very popular in Ukraine. The Rotary movement first appeared there in 1992 in Kiev. “Today 20 years of Rotary have brought thousands of happy children eyes and hundreds of warm with kindness and caress hearts to Ukraine society “(sic). There are three Rotary Clubs in Kiev with the oldest Kiev Central.

#### **SERGEANT AT ARMS**

Incoming President, Daya Govender, entertained us with a lively Sergeant's session. Among other things Daya fined all those who didn't go on the recent Wine Trip and stated that all those who did participate were couples except for himself so he then went on to fine all the single members of our Club.

**Daya also reminded us about the Changeover during his session and informed us that the theme for the evening was Bollywood.** He encouraged us, along with our partners to be innovative in dressing up for an exciting and spectacular evening. He stated that we are having a special partner photo session as we enter, something that could be developed into a memorable portrait. His aim is to set up 2 Bollywood backdrops with 2 professional photographers to speed up the process. Please contact Daya or Alok if you are looking for some Bollywood fashion tips.

When asked for any cross fines Alok was heard to say, “I am lost for words”.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Our Guest Speaker, new member Joe Nour was introduced by John Goldsworthy. Joe was born in Cairo and at the age of 8 came to Australia with his parents, both of whom were teachers, and his older brother David. He grew up in Sydney. He has degrees in Electronics and Engineering and also an MBA. Joe presented Alok with a gift for encouraging him to play the guitar. Joe is quite competent at playing the Sax and not so competent at the guitar. He was married in Cairo and has two children. Joe moved to Temora with his wife who is a doctor, in February 2007. They then moved to Wagga later that year where he has set up his business, in Telecommunication, IT and Creative Media. Photography also plays a significant part in that professional life. He hopes to remain in Wagga.

Joe summed up his values in life with the following quotes- "I sought my God and God I could not see, I sought my soul and my soul eluded me. I sought my brother and found all three." and " Instead of cursing darkness, light a candle" He stated that Rotary was doing that and then he said that if Mother Theresa had said WIIFM , 'What's in it for me', she would not have lived the life that she did. His final quote " Better to give than Receive" he felt summed up Rotary.

Joe has been in three plays in Wagga and he has also written and directed plays. He enjoys music and has his own digital recording studio at home.. Tim Crowley thanked Joe for his very interesting address.

### **UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 29th June to 5th July**

**Birthdays:** None

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Tony and Lyn Hutchinson (3<sup>rd</sup> July)

**Rotary Anniversaries** None

## **∞Kookaburra∞**

### **A FEW SHORT THOUGHTS**



\*Oscar Wilde : "I like to talk about nothing – it's one thing I know a lot about."

\*They now have microwave fireplaces – you can have a romantic evening in under eight minutes.

\*A Hypocrite is an atheist who writes a book about religion and then prays it will be a big success. (Woody Allen)

\*Gambling is a tax on fools.