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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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Thursday 22nd September 2011

Upcoming programs & events

DARKNESS TO LIGHT RIVERINA Family Day at Borambola 22nd OCTOBER

Christmas Party at John & Helen Goldsworthy's home 16th December 2011

Duty Officers' Roster

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

	Thursday 29 th September	Thursday 6 th October PARTNERS' NIGHT	Thursday 13 th October
Programme	Cara Dahl Northcott Disability Services	Stephanie Anderson & Melissa Potts Miss Wagga Quest	Cancer Care Centre
Attendance	Karel Bijker Bruce Barber	Karel Bijker Ruth Barber	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus
Greeter	Ruth Barber	Terry Mecham	NR
Sergeant at Arms	Tony Hutchinson	Mike Murray	NR
International Toast	Bruce Heydon	Peter Harding	NR
Introduce Speaker	Phil Cross	Neil Hilpern	Ailsa Bowman
Vote of Thanks	Graham Russell	Charlie Blomfield	Ellen Brasier
Bulletin	Gerry Page	Ruth Barber	Peter Veerhuis
BINGO Ticket Sales commence at 12.30 p.m!	Sun 2nd October Graham Gorrel David Payne	Sun 9th October Bruce Heydon Gerry Page	Sun 16th October TBA TBA



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 30 members attending the meeting with Makeups from Ailsa Bowman and Bruce Barber making an attendance of 76%. Club Guest was our speaker, Callum Donnelly. Apologies were received from: Christine Atkinson, Ruth Barber, Charlie Blomfield, Ellen Brasier, Tim Crowley, Allan Duffus, Glendyn Groves, Zvonne Hribar and Gerry Page.

VISITING ROTARIANS: Graham Cuthbertson, from West Pennant Hills, who is the son of previous well known member "Cuth".

MEMBERS' GUESTS: Brad Bland (Bruce Barber)

CLUB NOTES:

- Partners' Night-6th October
- Cancer Care Meeting 13th October-6.00 p.m- Foyer behind Calvary. Board Meeting followed by short Meeting to observe zapping.
- **Darkness to Light - Looking Ahead** Family Day at Borambola is on 22nd October -because of regulations relating to working with children, and insurance aspects, members intending to take part need to complete a form available from Ruth Barber, to enable security check etc. **Sun Hats, enclosed shoes and Rotary shirts to be worn.**
- **District Conference 2012** at Young on 23/24/25 March. Don't forget that accommodation will be tight so if planning to attend, hurry - book now.
- Australian Boys Choir-September 28th at Civic Theatre. Tickets \$35 or concession \$30
- SHINE AWARD 13th December-send nomination form for participation.
- New Rotarian, Daya Govender, will be overseas for three weeks.
- Museum of Riverina-Opening of "Sauntering Emu Exhibition", Saturday 24th September, 2011
- Doug Conkey requires volunteers as Mentors to Indigenous Drivers to help acquire 120 hours experience using Learner's car, in about two months time.
- Australian Citizen of the Year. Nomination Form from President Barry.
- RYDA Barbecue 10th October. Further information to follow.
- Kildare-Equex-8.45 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Six Rotarians required 13th October.
- 17th November-A Report/Thank You night for the Darkness to Light-Looking Ahead Day on October 22nd. An opportunity to bring along a prospective new member as a different Rotary Project will be showcased that night.
- Rotary Club of Tumbarumba 1961-2011 celebrating 50 Years 19th November Pioneer Hall 6.30 p.m. RSVP Secretary 28-10-11.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST: Brian Short proposed the Toast to the Rotary Club of Bar Harbour on Mt Desert Island, a holiday spot in U.S.A. which has a population of 5,235. It was chartered in 1968 and has 60 members. It is known for its lobster. It was settled in 1763 and is an agricultural district. Early industries included fishing, lumbering and ship building. The main fund-raiser is the Seafood Festival. President is Ann Krieg. District Governor is Claude Martell. Altogether there are 52 clubs with 1854 members in the District, 7790. It was the birth place of Nelson Rockefeller and President Barak Obama and his family visited for a vacation in 2010.

SERGEANT AT ARMS:

Michelle Maddison created much enjoyment with this session.

SHOW AND TELL:

A project to search in homes, sheds, cupboards for Objects and Photographs of possible interest to members. Graham Russell introduced a "DEADMAN'S PENNY" to introduce this idea to Club members. He revealed that there was a certain controversy about it. His father received it after World War II. A Boring Stone knife or killer boomerang was also distributed for member perusal and he mentioned that it could be exchanged for a loaf of bread. It may be from the Stone Age Time.



DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

Matters discussed at Directors Meeting were

- Wagga Warmth.
- Vocational Awards – increasing the board by 4 members
- By laws to be amended
- Nominations for PRESIDENT ELECT 2011-2012 are Now Open
- Rotarian Philip Cross informed us about the shelters now on Western end of Red Hill Road
- Funds invested with Bidgee are now looking very positive.

GUEST SPEAKER: Callum Donnelly, Recipient of the Rotary Veterinary Scholarship, was introduced by Peter Chenoweth, as the Brightest & Best from Tenterfield. He demonstrated his vet future, as a child, he said, by "Dehorning Chinaware".

Scholarships mean a great deal to students, when they do not receive subsidisations. His award enabled him to work with a very worthwhile group of people beginning in 2008 and In less than 12 months his studies will be completed.

Tenterfield is famous for Peter Allen but also the birthplace of Federation. He remarked that CSU is not an isolated Vet School but is a valuable addition to Wagga.

In summing up he thanked the Rotary Club for enabling him to train as a Vet because his passion is for Cattle, Learning and Teaching.

The Question & Answer session was conducted with flair and enthusiasm. Paul Galloway moved a Vote of Thanks to Callum.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 30th September to 6th October

Birthdays: Bill Prest, Bruce Heydon,

Wedding Anniversaries Nil

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil

KOOKABURRA



A pastor discovered that his church was getting into very serious financial troubles. While checking the church storeroom he discovered several cartons of new bibles that had never been opened and distributed.

So at his Sunday sermon he asked for three volunteers from the congregation who would be willing to sell the bibles door-to-door for \$10 each to raise the desperately needed money for the church.

Jack, Paul and Louie all raised their hands to volunteer for the task.

The minister knew that Jack and Paul earned their living as salesmen and were likely capable of selling some bibles. But he had serious doubts about Louie, a local farmer, who had always kept to himself because he was embarrassed by his speech impediment.

Poor Louie stuttered badly. But, NOT WANTING TO discourage Louie, the minister decided to let him try anyway.

He sent the three of them away with the back seat of their cars stacked with bibles. He asked them to meet with him and report the results of their door-to-door selling efforts the following Sunday.

Anxious to find out how successful they were, the minister immediately asked Jack, 'Well, Jack, how did you make out selling our bibles last week?'

Proudly handing the reverend an envelope, Jack replied, 'Using my sales prowess, I was able to sell 20 bibles, and here's the \$200 I collected on behalf of the church.'

'Fine job, Jack!' The minister said, vigorously shaking his hand... 'You are indeed a fine salesman and the Church is indebted to you.'

Turning to Paul, 'And Paul, how many bibles did you sell for the Church last week?'

Paul, smiling and sticking out his chest, confidently replied, 'I am a professional salesman. I sold 28 bibles on behalf of the church, and here's \$280 I collected.'

The minister responded, 'That's absolutely splendid, Paul. You are truly a professional salesman and the church is indebted to you.'

Apprehensively, the minister turned to Louie and said, 'And Louie, did you

manage to sell any bibles last week?' Louie silently offered the minister a large envelope.

The minister opened it and counted the contents. 'What is this?' the minister exclaimed.

'Louie, there's \$3200 in here! Are you suggesting that you sold 320 bibles for the church, door to door, in just one week?'

Louie just nodded.

'That's impossible!' both Jack and Paul said in unison. 'We are professional salesmen, yet you claim to have sold 10 times as many bibles as we could.'

'Yes, this does seem unlikely,' the minister! agreed. 'I think you'd better explain how you managed to accomplish this, Louie.'

Louie shrugged.. 'I-I-I re-re-really do-do-don't kn-kn-know f-f-f-for sh-sh-sh-sure,' he stammered.

Impatiently, Peter interrupted. 'For crying out loud, Louie, just tell us what you said to them when they answered the door!'

'A-a-a-all I-I-I s-s-said wa-wa-was,' Louie replied, 'W-w-w-w-would y-y-y-you I-I-I-I-I-like t-t-to b-b-b-buy th-th-th-this b-b-b-b-bible f-f-for t-t-ten b-b-b-bucks ---o-o-o-or--- wo-wo-would yo-you

j-j-j-just I-like m-m-me t-t-to st-st-stand h-h-here and r-r-r-r-r-read it t-to y-y-you??'