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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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Thursday 23rd February, 2012

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

Clean Up Australia Day Sunday 4th March

District Conference 23rd-25th March

RYDA 26th-30th March

Duty Officers' Roster

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

	Thursday 1 st March	Thursday 8 th March	Thursday 15 th March
Programme	Job Talk Daya Govender	Business Coaching Jeremy Hutchins	Book Sorting Night
Attendance	Karel Bijker Mike Murray	Karel Bijker Glendyn Groves	Karel Bijker Daya Govender
Greeter	Paul Galloway	Neil Hilpern	N/R
Sergeant at Arms	John Goldsworthy	Peter Harding	N/R
International Toast	Allan Duffus	Bruce Heydon	N/R
Introduce Speaker	Alok Sharma	Graham Gorrel	N/R
Vote of Thanks	Glendyn Groves	Mary Ann Kelly	N/R
Bulletin	Neil Hilpern	Gerry Page	Ellen Brasier
Ticket Sales commence at 12.45 p.m.	Sunday 4 th March Bruce Heydon David Payne	Sunday 11 th March Graham Gorrel Gerry Page	Sunday 18 th March Phil Jackson Mary Ann Kelly



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: 27 members attended the Movie Premiere, along with 3 makeups, giving us an attendance percentage of 78 %. There were 37 partners and guests. Apologies from Ellen Brasier, Karel Bijker, Christine Atkinson, Zvonne Hribar, Charlie Blomfield & Gordon Saggers were received by 2.30pm Wednesday plus of course the various apologies for this evening tendered at the previous meetings.

CLUB NOTES

- ➤ Dot and Bill Prest returned to Wagga on Sunday following Dot Prest's visit to see the Oncology Ophthalmologist in Sydney last week. There is evidence of a cancer in the corner of Dot's right eye which has been responsible for Dot having blurry vision. Further, ongoing visits to Sydney will be required.
- ➤ President Barry Francis is heading off to St Vincent's Private Hospital next Tuesday to have his Pacemaker replaced. You can contact him on his mobile or the Hospital Phone. We wish him well for the changeover of the Pacemakers.
- President Barry has had a reply to the request from Rod Thompson of Hanson Construction Materials of Roach Road, Wagga Wagga. The request is for a Club member to consider making themselves available to be an independent Chairperson for a Community Consultative Committee. The Committee would meet four times per year. The attendees would be appointed by the NSW State Planning Department and would be comprised of Representatives from Hanson, Wagga Wagga City Council and residents who live close to the Hanson Quarry. The Chairperson position is unpaid; Hanson would support an event our Rotary Club hosts. The Volunteer to Chair the Committee would need to be qualified and interested in taking up the position. Thank you to the person who has accepted this position.
- Chair of the Community Service Committee, David Friedlieb, advises that "Clean Up Australia Day" will be held on Sunday 4th 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
- > Pride of Workmanship Award ceremony is on February 28^{th.}
- ➤ The District Conference will be held in Young on the weekend of the 23-25th March. Some accommodation is still available and President Barry has Registration forms.
- ➤ The Saturday morning book sort attracted a small but dedicated & literate band of workers. David Friedlieb, Bruce & Ruth Barber, John Goldsworthy, Bruce Heydon, Maryanne Kelly, Phil Cross, Mike Murray, John Studdert, Barry Francis, Tony Hutchinson, Terry Mecham, & Neil Hilpern were reinforced by "Guest workers" Beverly Macdonald, Ali Wooldridge, Bruce Bowman & Sarah Luff. A remarkable number of books were sorted & categorised.

A chicken & lettuce salad provided an ideal repast on a hot day.

The space created was partly refilled when Graham Russell & Bruce Barber took their Tray Tops to the Baptist Church on Tarcutta Street and, with assistance from John

Goldsworthy & Neil Hilpern, loaded them up with unsold books from their Giant Garage Sale. These & all other Book donations are gratefully received.

- > **RYDA** will be held 26th 30th 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 18th May.
- 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 16th March. The Club will be putting on an all-day BBQ at the Origin Energy Depot from 9 am to about 3 pm.

URGENT - 100 MEMBERS IN 100 DAYS - DG'S CHALLENGE!

In order to preserve our existing District 9700 as a cohesive unit, District Governor lan 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!

Program Report:

The Forum Cinema showing the Premiere of the Movie, "The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel", with a star studded cast led by Dame Judi Dench, was packed with eager Rotarians, partners and friends and they were not disappointed with the acting, scenery and music in this Movie which had a story line that the older members of the population could definitely relate to!

\$3039 was raised for the PolioPlus campaign by the participants at this Function. Thank you Graeme Callander for organising the evening.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 2nd March to 8th March

Birthdays: Laurie Fromholtz 4/3; Beryl Condon 8/3; Joanne Crowley 8/3.

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Rotary Anniversaries: John Studdert 5/3/98; Paul Galloway 6/3/03 and Wagga Wagga 1979 to 1991.

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There were only two restaurants in the little town, one opposite the other. The visitor stopped a local and asked which served the better meal. Let me put it this way was the reply - whichever one you go into, you will have wished that you had gone to the other.



Can you rise above the pack?

Aussie Footy Tipping Competition

The Rotary Club of Hawthorn is running a nationwide AFL footy tipping competition in 2012 in conjunction with the well known Footytips.com.au organization.

It's only \$25 to enter, but you could win \$5,000 as well as weekly prizes and you will be helping Rotary and many more charitable projects.

The selected charities include ROMAC, which brings children with birth defects to Australia for medical treatment to restore their well being and dignity; the Australian Childhood Foundation which provides counselling services to stop child abuse; Ovarian Cancer Research Foundation and other community projects.

It's really simple:

- just log on to <u>aussiefootytips.org.au</u> where you can buy a ticket using your credit card 2.
- register for the competition
 3. then throughout the season enter your tips on a weekly basis.

We are sure you will enjoy competing, relaxed in the knowledge that the entire project carries the integrity of Rotary and that you are helping cancer victims, abused kids and disadvantaged people.

If you are already a Rotarian you can nominate your club which will receive \$5 for each entry and anyone else can nominate a Rotary club which will receive \$5 from their donation.

We encourage you to enter our footy tipping competition to help Rotary achieve its important local and international community projects goals.

For assistance or further information call Noel Halford on 0419 018 901 or email admin@aussiefootytips.org.au