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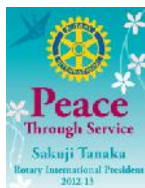
BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA INC.

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The Four Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?


BULLETIN NO: 31

Thursday, 7th February, 2013

Upcoming programs & events: **BOOK FAIR 18th & 19th May**

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

Duty Officers' Roster

	Thursday 14 th February	Thursday 21 st February	Thursday 28 th February
Programme	David Kennedy Antibiotics and Superbugs	Book Sort CSU	Chris Bake Country Hope
Attendance	Karel Bijker Bryan Short	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus	Karel Bijker Mike Murray
Greeter	Gerry Page	N/R	Ian Gibson
Sergeant at Arms	David Payne	N/R	Peter Veerhuis
Short and Sweet *	Terry Mecham Int. Toast	N/R	Don Pembleton S & T or J
Introduce Speaker	Graeme Callander	N/R	Bill Prest
Vote of Thanks	Alan Lean	N/R	Alok Sharma
Bulletin	David Friedlieb	Ellen Brasier	Brad Bland
 Ticket Sales 12.30 pm	Sunday 17 th February Barry Francis Rob Sharkey	Sunday 24 th February Karel Bijker Peter Harding	Sunday 3 rd March Graham Russell Graeme Callander



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, and advise the Bulletin Reporter.

Short and Sweet Key ...Week 1 Inspiration

7th Feb

Week 2 International Toast

14th Feb

Week 3 Rotary Information

21st Feb

Week 4 Show and Tell or a Joke

28th Feb

Week 5 Not Required

ATTENDANCE: 31 members were in attendance with no make-ups giving us an attendance percentage of 73.8%. There were two visiting Rotarians: Sarah Luff from Young and Kathy Woodley from Bathurst East. Club Guest was Professor Jim Pratley. Apologies received by Wednesday 2.30 pm came from Bryan Short, Allan Duffus, Laurie Fromholtz, John Studdert, David Friedlieb, John Goldsworthy and David Cannon. **Tonight, ten of our members wore their green club shirts!**

CLUB NOTES:

- **President Daya advised members that his employment will keep him in Wagga until at least 31 December 2013.**
- Philip Cross read a message received from **Sisters Laurel and Lucy in India** who thanked our Club for financial help of \$1,000 received during 2012 to cover the cost of clothing and the cost of a cataract operation for Sister Lucy.
- Graeme Callander advised that the **2013 Clean up Australia Day** will take place on Sunday 3rd March. We will meet on Red Hill Road where it intersects with Berembee Road.
- On the Sick List: **John Goldsworthy** remains in St Vincent's, Sydney to continue his chemotherapy treatment. Despite what is involved, John is in good spirits; **Zvonne Hribar** celebrated his 92nd birthday on Friday 8th February. Zvonne is very pleased to be home. He still has some pain but says it is "bearable". He is very grateful for contact from our members and for the rehabilitation he received while in the Forrest Centre.
- The **Annual Peace Awards** ceremony will take place on Sunday 17th February. Peace badges were distributed and members were asked to contribute \$ 2.00 each into the fine box.
- Secretary Peter Harding presented his report on the **Board Meeting held 17th January:-**
 1. Ellen Brasier has presented a Citizenship Award to Melissa Hawkins from Sturt Primary School. The Board decided this will now become an annual event.
 2. Child protection forms for the 2013 year need to be signed by all club members.
 3. There will be a joint Project between Sunrise Rotary Club and ourselves to clean up the Willans Hill Rotary viewing area. A committee under the leadership of Philip Cross has been appointed to organise this Project.
 4. It was resolved that \$ 2,000 be donated to Micah House.
 5. The Board approved the placement of an advertisement for our Club in a recent Daily Advertiser 40 page information booklet for Wagga Wagga.
 6. Our nomination for a Peace Committee award is the "Rural Fire Service".
 7. Secretary Peter Harding to contact the Rotary District regarding the offer of monetary assistance for bushfire relief.
- President Daya read out a letter from John Ferguson of the Wollundry Rotary Club in which John indicates that Wollundry Club is happy to see our Club take over responsibility of future **Dream Cricket** organisation..
- **Holly Shields, our NYSF student**, will be presenting a Report on her attendance at this Forum in Perth, during late January on Thursday, 7th March. This meeting will be a Partners' Night and is also a good programme to introduce a potential new member to Rotary.
- Nominations are being called for this year's **Rotary Youth Leadership Award**. This seminar will be held at the Kurrajong Camp, Oura Road, from 8th until 13th April 2013. Below is a message from the RYLA Co-ordinator, Gary Roberts:

So what is RYLA ?:

RYLA is about leadership, learning and laughter; it is about co-operation, consideration, communication and confidence. It is a "kick-start" for young people aged 18-28, who have demonstrated leadership, intelligence and compassion within their local community.

I can promise that it is a worthwhile program for young people.

As always, the more participants the merrier so we would love for each Club to nominate at least one participant. We would appreciate receiving all nominations by Friday 15th March

For more details on how to nominate a participant please contact Ellen Brasier.

SHORT AND SWEET - INSPIRATION: Mike Murray provided inspiration to our members, visitors and guests as he proceeded to tell us about his operation to remove a cancer and his successful recovery. As always, Mike managed to do this with the use of constant humour. He told us he received plenty of support from relatives and friends, including Rotarians, who strengthened and sustained him. We, in turn, were privileged to be present to see and hear Mike's remarkable presentation.

RAFFLE WINNER: Tonight's raffle winner was Tim Crowley.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: The Sergeant's session was delivered by Neil Hilpern & covered a subject which was a good lead in to our Guest speaker. A poem entitled "Country Christmas" by Anonymous is included in the collection of histories & memories of the rural community in the Galore & Kywong District from the 1840's to 1973.

The poem starts with the collapse of the wool markets in the early 1970's and the farmers' efforts to replace the income lost. These efforts included breeding deer, goats, rabbits & alpacas, emus & ostriches with a variety of successes & failures.

Beef Cattle herds were also expanded at a great rate until lack of sufficient markets sent the profit in the way of wool. Expansion of Cereal crop cultivation also led to reduced margins. The counter cycling of agricultural markets and seasons led back to a reasonable wool price in the late 1970's & so the race to increase sheep numbers started up again.

Cross-Fines: Both Mike Murray and Alok Sharma cross-fined themselves! Mike because he is now free of cancer and Alok because he has been in Wagga for 10 years!

GUEST SPEAKER: Peter Chenoweth introduced Jim Pratley, Research Professor in Agriculture of Charles Sturt University. Professor Pratley told us he had been asked to prepare a review into agricultural education and training in New South Wales. As a consequence of his review he was able to tell us that there are many shortcomings in this important area. In particular, he expressed concern that many Australians have lost contact with "where our food comes from."

Despite a widespread belief that there are few Careers in Agriculture, the reality is there are plenty of opportunities. Jim has evidence that many Careers advisors in schools actually advise students against Agricultural careers in the mistaken belief there are no available positions. In actual fact there are 6 available jobs for every graduate!

The expected population growth in Asia in the 21st century means that the future of Australian agricultural exports will continue to grow to meet those growing markets. There is a clear need for those in Primary, Secondary and Tertiary education to focus on the need to train, to encourage and to motivate students to consider a Career in Agriculture for the future.

Question time saw Peter Chenoweth, Graham Russell, Tim Crowley, Graham Gorrel and David Payne raise a number of relevant issues. (If any other members would like to follow up this issue with Jim, you are welcome to email him on jpratley@csu.edu.au .

Don Pembleton moved the vote of thanks, congratulating Jim for his thought-provoking presentation.

BOOK FAIR SORTING NIGHT - 21ST FEB.



Book Book Book is certainly true at the moment – they have been ‘booking in’ over the holiday period – people on the move perhaps. Makes the old rhyme applicable again;

**THE BOOK BOOK BOOKS ARE BOOKIN’ IN
THEY’RE UP AROUND OUR BOOKIN’ CHIN
SO COME & SORT A FEW – YOU HEAR
OR WE’LL BOOK BOOK BOOKIN’ DISAPPEAR!**

ALSO make sure you have the Book Fair dates **18th & 19th May** recorded in your diary.
MANY THANKS to Graham Russell for rigging up a tortuous chain structure on the book recycle bin to stop some of the less lovable in the community using it for garbage disposal.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 8th February to 21st February

Birthdays : Zvonne Hribar (8/2), Meryll Cross (18/2), Sally Short (19/2), Joan Veerhuis (19/2), Alok Sharma (20/2), Barry Francis (21/2).

Wedding Anniversaries: Allan and Marnie Duffus (9/2),.

Rotary Anniversaries: David Cannon (21/2/1991)



KOOKABURRA

Have fork, will grovel (with thanks to the Rotary Club of Unley, SA).

A little old lady answered a knock on the door one day, to be confronted by a well-dressed young man carrying a vacuum cleaner. “Good morning”. said the young man. “If I could take a couple of minutes of your time, I would like to demonstrate the very latest in high-powered vacuum cleaners...”

“Go away!” said the old lady. “I’m broke and I haven’t got any money!” and she proceeded to close the door.

Quick as a flash, the young man wedged his foot in the door and pushed it wide open...” Don’t be too hasty!” he said. “Not until you have at least seen my demonstration.” And with that, he emptied a bucket of horse manure onto her hallway carpet.

“Now if this vacuum cleaner does not remove all traces of this horse manure from your carpet, Madam, I will personally eat the remainder.”

The old lady stepped back and said, “Well let me get you a fork, ‘cause they cut off my electricity this morning.”

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- **FIRST.** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- **SECOND.** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- **THIRD.** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- **FOURTH.** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.