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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?

Thursday, 8th August, 2013 **BULLETIN NO: 6**

AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP & EXTENSION MONTH

Upcoming programs & events:

'DARKNESS TO LIGHT' FUND RAISING DINNER - SATURDAY 17TH AUGUST 2013.

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

Duty Officers' Roster

	Thursday 15 th August	Thursday 22 nd August	Thursday 29 th August
Programme	Suicide Prevention David Hayes	Tech Developments David Merlino	Annette St Clair & Eileen Friedlieb
Attendance	Karel Bijker Marion Moran	Karel Bijker Thara Pech	Karel Bijker Allan Duffus
Greeter	Bryan Short	Bruce Barber	John Studdert
Short and Sweet*	Ellen Brasier (Rotary Information)	Graeme Callander (Show and Tell or Joke)	N/R
Sergeant at Arms	Graeme Callander	Ruth Barber	Bryan Short
Introduce Speaker	David Cannon	Karel Bijker	Gordon Saggers
Vote of Thanks	John Studdert	Peter Chenoweth	Terry Mecham
Bulletin	David Payne	Neil Hilpern	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, and advise the **Bulletin Reporter.**

*Short and Sweet Key

Week 1 Inspiration

Week 2 International Toast

Week 3 Rotary Information 15th Aug Week 4 Show and Tell or a Joke 22nd Aug

8th Aug

1st Aug

Week 5 Not required

ATTENDANCE:

32 members were in attendance, with make-ups giving us an attendance percentage of 100%. Members' guests were Chris Lee, Julie Christian and Rachel Herring. Club Guest was guest speaker Jayne Christian. Apologies received by Wednesday 2.30 pm came from John Goldsworthy, Terry Mecham, Tim Crowley, Thara Pech, Peter Chenoweth, Neil Hilpern, Mike Murray, Ailsa Bowman, Allan Duffus, & Karel Bijker

CLUB NOTES:

- ➤ This week's serious topic, Suicide Prevention, may be of interest to some partners, and they are welcome to attend (as they are at any time) don't forget to advise the Rules Club by 2.30p Wednesday if bringing a guest.
- PRESIDENT BRAD succumbed to pressure and, with due humility, acknowledged his outstanding breakout game of AFL Seniors last weekend. It took two opponents to mind him (or perhaps show him where to go?).
- Darkness to Light Project and Fund Raising Dinner The 2013 Darkness to Light Fund Raising Dinner is imminent, it will be held at the Mater Dei Catholic College on Saturday 17th August. Plans for the Dinner are in hand, with most seats sold, and the final tasks will be allocated at the next Rotary Meeting. Some names taken already to assist on Friday 16th at 2.30pm, and again on Sunday 18th at 10.00am.

As The Darkness to Light Project is one of our "Flagship" Projects, along with the Book Fair (and a "Flagship" Project for District 9700) - the DG will be in attendance at the Dinner along with other dignitaries. Full club support will be appreciated.



- Alok Sharma's next Eye Camp in India, with money raised from the dinner, will be held 15 -17 November, 2013
- **PETER HARDING** reported that WWHS student Mike Mattingly, who we have supported, has performed well on his UK cricket tour, winning a man of the match award. Peter also presented club with a framed set of photos of the Kidneys for Kids Car Rally that we have supported, and reported that Rex Airlines has donated 2 x return flights to Sydney for the Darkness to Light dinner.
- **Dream Cricket**. **PP Barry Francis** gave details of the club's BBQ efforts at the Dream Cricket project held on 7th August at Tolland Public School.
- ➤ **GRAEME CALLANDER** reported that 7 members cleaned up a long stretch of Red Hill Road last Sunday as part of our Community Service commitment to **Clean Up Australia Day**
- **BRUCE BARBER** proposed an Inter-Club Blood Donation challenge.
- > **PHIL CROSS** reported on additional street swags, and refusal of a Council grant application for our look-out project on Willans Hill.

SHORT & SWEET: (International Toast) Don Pembleton toasted the Rotary Club of Dili, East Timor.

SERGEANT AT ARMS: The redoubtable Rob Sharkie regaled us with some financially stinging humour, and double-dipped by fining all absentees from last week.

RAFFLE: Won and appreciated by PP Daya



GUEST SPEAKER:



PP Daya introduced Jayne Christian, a long time family friend. Jayne completed Yr 12 at WWHS in 2004, and now has degrees in Arts and Law, has worked as an Associate to a Federal Court Judge, and is now a qualified lawyer in her own right.

Jayne recently several months travelling through China-Tibet-Nepal-India-Thailand-Laos-Vietnam-Cambodia, including several Peace Sites. She spoke to us about *Braiile Without Borders*, which assists visually impaired Tibetans to obtain badly needed education, enabling them to live with meaning. *Braille Without Borders* has also commenced in India, where many Tibetans live in exile, including the Dalai Lama who has not been home to Tibet since 1959.

Donations from Australia can be made using PayPal via the website http://www.braillewithoutborders.org/

Jayne also mentioned the Gu-Chu-Sum movement which works to rehabilitate ex-political prisoners to rebuild their lives. http://www.gu-chu-sum.org/

On a less serious note, Jayne has sold her hair on several occasions, with one harvest becoming a movie prop, being worn by Scooby Doo and Rowan Atkinson among others.

The Vote of Thanks was proposed by Tony Hutchinson.

August is Membership Month:

WHAT IF... All Rotary clubs were vibrant and engaging?

THEN... Younger members would be more likely to join.

WHAT IF... Every club brought in two new members this year?

THEN... We could expand Rotary's impact in communities around the world.

PASS NAMES OF POTENTIAL MEMBERS TO RUTH

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES 16th August to 22nd August

Birthdays: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

Rotary Anniversaries: Phil Jackson(15/8/1996 &1980 – 1994)



THE THREE NUNS AT THE FOOTY



Three nuns were attending a football final..three men were sitting directly behind. Because their habits were partially blocking the view, the men decided to badger the nuns hoping that they'd get annoyed enough to move to another area.. In a very loud voice, the first guy said, "I think I'm going to move to Sydney ... there are only 100 nuns living there"..Then the second guy spoke up and said, "I want to go to Tasmania there are only 50 nuns living there". The third guy said, "I want to go to New Zealand ... there are only 25 nuns living there..."

One of the nuns turned around, looked at the men, and in a very sweet and calm voice said, "why don't you go to hell .. there aren't any nuns there!"

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.