

---The Timetable---

The weekly bulletin from the Rotary Club of Junee

---Making tracks---

Tuesday 12 February 2013

Present:	8 members present.
Apologies:	Lola Cummins, Michael Clark, Chris Paton
Visiting Rotarians:	Lauren Slater (Wagga Murrumbidgee) and Terry Mecham (Wagga Wagga)
Guests:	
Speaker	Terry Mecham

Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker was Terry Mecham. Terry had come to tell us about the barbeque that the Wagga Wagga Rotary Club has run very successfully for some years.

The barbeque is used for three categories of events;

- Fund raising.
- Community service for not for profit organisations.
- Club activities.

Terry said that the menus for the various events have been developed to cater for breakfasts, brunches and dinners. They range from the humble sausage sandwich to steak, chicken dishes both served with salads and fruit juices and tea/coffee.

Over the period that his Club has had its barbeque the members have acquired quite a number of tools and accessories including an electric bain-marie and urn. A full sized freezer that is left permanently with one of the Club members to store left over food has also been purchased.

Club activities where the barbeque is used include vocational visits where no catering facilities are available, the annual Australia Day celebration in the Botanic Gardens and their annual weekend on the Murrumbidgee River.

Fund raising activities have included reunions of various kinds in Wagga Wagga, the Book Fair run by the Club (the bbq alone raised \$1500 over that weekend).

Terry kindly left a copy of his information on menus, equipment and tips with our Club and John Wright is holding that.

President Peter moved a vote of thanks to Terry thanking him for going to the trouble to travel to Junee to talk to us.

Next week's speaker TBA

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award.

Lauren Slater spoke briefly about RYLA and her personal experience on a course that she attended and left a number of copies of the promotional material. Her experiences on the course changed her outlook on what she wants to do in life.

She will be the Head Director of course this year.

Lauren knows of two suitable young people in Junee who would attend the course if a sponsor can be found. One of these people will come with Lauren to our Club meeting on 5th March.

Event Rosters

Junee trots final meeting will be held on Saturday 23rd February. The roster for gate duty is;

	<u>Top Gate</u>	<u>Middle Gate</u>
5.00	John Wright Neil McKenzie	Roger Quine Ross Reid
7.00	Chris Paton Peter Commens	Graham Guelfi Kelvin Cronk

Future Events

- 26th Feb Club business meeting
- 18th to 22nd March Rotary Young Drivers Awareness (RYDA)

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Feb

- Chris Paton & Deidre 13th Anniversary

Hello fellow Rotarians, I'm sure this topic has been addressed multiple times in some other posts, but what are you doing to bring the average age down in your clubs?

I would like to present some ideas to my club and share your ideas, of what other clubs are doing to achieve this....

Reply's:

- *Youth*
 - *It is important to offer them community service projects They can share their experiences on Facebook or whatever the Social Media of choice. Work from teens from 12-30*
 - *Keep close contact with your Interact, Rotoract and Ryla members.*
 - *Youth exchange students spread the cultures.*
 - *The youth are our future Rotarians. They will make contacts that will help with their lives.*

This is a good start.

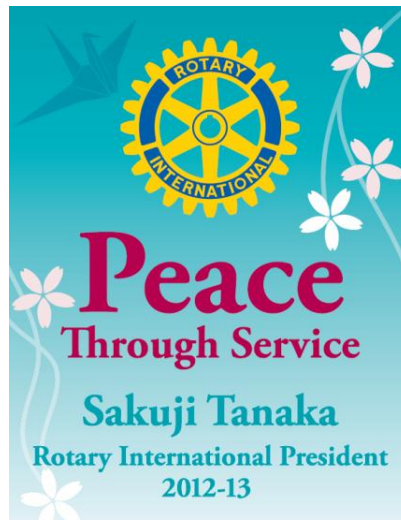
- *The best way to bring down the average age in a club is to induct more women because, as everybody knows, women never get older than 39.*

- *Life is about balance and we need to encourage membership across a range of ages to bring both enthusiasm and wisdom to the things that we do. While we need to use the networking capability that Rotary clubs offer as well as the good we do around the world we cannot, nor should, forget the fellowship aspect of being a Rotarian and the need of all human beings to socialise and enjoy each other's company. I enjoy meeting my mates each week, breaking bread and of course the odd glass of good Australian red wine. If we can find a way to promote all of these factors we may succeed in increasing membership as well as retaining what we have. Retention is as important as gaining new members.*

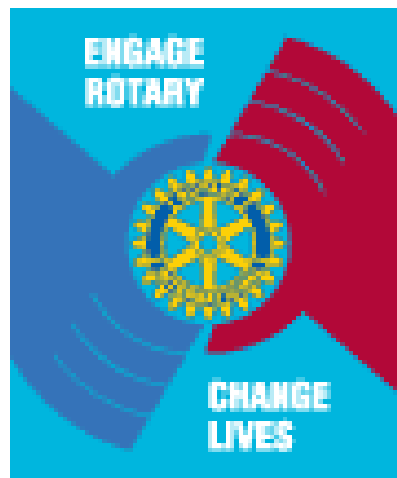
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Rotary club of Junee meets on Tuesday nights at the Junee Ex-Services Memorial Club 6.45pm.....We welcome new members to a renewed and active club.

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