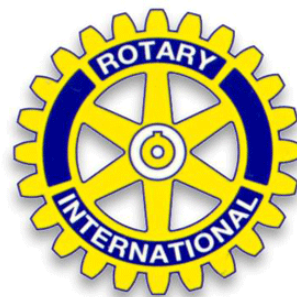


# The Keyway



**ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA SUNRISE Inc.**

**DISTRICT 9700**

PO Box 5430 Wagga Wagga 2650 NSW

**Meeting Venue:** Thyme Out Restaurant, The Manor, 38 Morrow Street, Wagga Wagga  
**Meeting Time:** Breakfast 7.00am for 7.15am, completed by 8.30am



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

31 January 2012

January is Rotary Awareness  
Month

**VOCATIONAL VISIT: Kurrajong Recycling – plus dinner at Sportsmen’s Club Hotel.**

“TALK ABOUT RUBBISH!” by Jennifer Weale

Twenty-nine Sunrise members and four partners met at the Kurrajong-Waratah Recycling plant in Chaston Street to view the business of recycling Riverina’s rubbish. As the 31<sup>st</sup> January was a fifth Tuesday, this was a vocational visit organised by Jo Wilson. Most of our group then met at The Sportmen’s Club Hotel for some fellowship, camaraderie and a hearty, yet economical, meal.

The Operations Manager, Tim Macgillicuddy, met us and introduced the group to the business of recycling rubbish by an informative discussion about which items can be recycled and the reasons why. As the general public becomes more educated regarding the need for careful division of our waste, the enormous task of sorting rubbish and operating the plant will become less time-consuming and more profitable. Disposable nappies are a huge problem as people continue to place them in with recyclables.



**Above:** John Wood tells Neville how he’d

This plant services five local government areas: Wagga Wagga, Leeton, Griffith, Narrandera and Lockhart. The construction of this plant was funded by Kurrajong-Waratah and employs 90 people, 60 of them disabled workers. The plant, known as “murph”, or MRF, is a purpose-built integrated operation, which sorts recycled waste at a rate of 6 tonnes per hour and up to 50 tonnes per day.

Tim and Neville McDonald escorted our members through the plant with detailed explanations of how the rubbish sorted mechanically and manually. There are standard operating procedures

organise the recycling....



**Above:** Val Samuelson, Sue & Max Chapman, Helen & Malcolm Allen enjoying the fragrant air

for each area of the belt and usage of forklifts, according to Occupational Health and Safety



**Above:** Anne Wood, Max Chapman Helen Allen, Peter Gissing & Sandra Rootes entranced by security shredding

(cont.) Regulations. The education and training of staff is of high standard as evidenced by the incidence of sick leave being no more than average. Staff are rotated through different areas every 1.5 hours, with regular breaks.

Careful and tedious separation of paper, cardboard, plastic and glass is undertaken according to colour and composition. This is of prime importance so as to enable the sale of these recycled items, therefore providing income for the plant. For example glass has to be sorted into three colours, clear, amber and green, to make the recycling into new bottles possible. Plastic items are then further sorted according to type and chemical structure. Coloured and white paper is separated as the white paper sells for a premium price. Similarly, aluminium cans are separated from other metals. Copper wire sells for \$750.00 per tonne! The price of recyclable material is indexed like commodities such as wool, wheat and cotton.



**Above:** Out the back of Kurrajong Recyclers

There are two large areas designated for the skilled work of taking apart electrical and electronic devices, such as computers, televisions and washing machines. This department is in two sections according to the size and item needing to be dismantled. Twenty high support workers are supervised through varying hours of work.

Wages are an enormous cost with 70% paid by the Federal Government. This funding is competency-based and reviewed annually according to skills and needs.

This recycling plant in conjunction

with Kurrajong-Waratah is providing valuable and productive work with very good outcomes for many school leavers and people towards the end of their working life. Simultaneously this business is in part relieving our environment of an enormous quantity of rubbish generated by

society. Perhaps this visit will encourage our members to spread the need for better disposal of unwanted goods and general household and business rubbish.

**APOLOGIES:** Patrick Ball, Bernie Benson, Andrea Bradley, Dizzy Dessaily, Bronwyn Hills, Sue McAlpin, Dave O'Grady, Vicky Richards, Alan Sharp, Darren Verus, Len Wade.

**LEAVE:** Jan Gray, Anne Pattison, Dawn Smith.

**BIRTHDAY/S:** Geraldine Duncan.

**COMING EVENTS/FUND RAISERS:**

- RAWCS meeting to be held on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Feb at Cowra Bowling Club
- Rotary Peace Ceremony at Victory Memorial Gardens 19 Feb
- 23 February: film night in aid of Polio Plus: *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*
- District Conference at Young 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> March
- Host GSE team, 5 members 28<sup>th</sup> March to 1<sup>st</sup> April.

**DIRECTORS' REPORTS:**

- (ongoing) **Noelene Hogan** urged people to consider attending the RAWCS conference in Cowra, 4-5 Feb where regional programs will be discussed, and to consider attending the District Conference at Young, 23-5 March.
- (ongoing) **Peter Gissing** noted that the website is up and active and that *The Keyway* will be uploaded there: [www.rotarywaggasunrise.com.au](http://www.rotarywaggasunrise.com.au)
- **Marilyn Walter** supplied details re the Film night for PolioPlus, 23 February:  
Please support this fundraiser as Polio is so close to eradication. You can preview the movie at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dDY89LYxK0w> and it's brilliant! See attachment.  
Please bring your ticket money on Tuesday, as the night is only 3 weeks away and money plus accurate numbers must be given to the theatre a week prior to the event. Tickets cannot be sold on the night.

**Contact** Graeme Callander (6922 5046 or if no answer 0412 072 711) with any queries.



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## Roster for February

Date	7 <sup>th</sup> February	14 <sup>th</sup> February	21 <sup>st</sup> February	28 <sup>th</sup> February
Venue	<i>Thyme Out</i>	<i>Thyme Out</i>	<i>Thyme Out</i>	<i>Thyme Out</i>
Meet & Greet	Gordon Moore	Leslie Scott	Jo Wilson	Helen Berger
Meeting setup	Alan Sharp	Alan Sharp	Alan Sharp	Alan Sharp
Meeting pack up	Marie Wood	Tim Stait	Dawn Smith	Vicki Richards
Attendance Desk	Bill O'Rourke	Dave O'Grady	Noelene Hogan	Dominic Ferlito
	Francis Desailly	David Brady	Andrea Bradley	John Wood
Sergeant-at-Arms	Peter Brown	David Gilbey	Tim Stait	Patrick Ball
Bulletin Reporter	Darren Verus	Jennifer Weale	Helen Allen	Helen Allen
Program	<b>Dr John Messing:</b> What computers have done for me	<b>Marissa Olsen:</b> Top 10 tips for reading food labels	<b>David Gilbey:</b> Germany & Vienna: glimpses	tba
Introduce Speaker	Dennis Blackett	Fred Loneragan	Yvonne Braid	Peter Brown
Thank Speaker	Len Wade	Andrea Bradley	Ndungi Mundai	Sue McAlpin

**\*\*Reminder:** If you are rostered on for a job but can't make the meeting, please make arrangements for someone to replace you .



..... **Board Members 2011/2012:**

<b>President:</b>	Alan Sharp	<b>Secretary:</b>	Marilyn Walter
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Sandra Rootes	<b>President Elect:</b>	Val Samuelson
<b>Club Administration:</b>	Val Samuelson	<b>Rotary Foundation:</b>	Noelene Hogan
<b>Membership/Vocational:</b>	Jo Wilson	<b>Public Relations:</b>	Yvonne Braid
<b>Service Projects:</b>	Dave O'Grady	<b>Youth:</b>	Peter Gissing
<b>Immediate Past President:</b>	Denise Flockton		

**New Members Inducted 2011:**

Len Wade, Helen Allen, Dominic Ferlito, Ndungi Mungai, Tessa Bremner, Ian MacDonald.

**District Governor:** Ian Simpson & Jean [Rotary Club of Orange North]

**Assistant Governor:** Gary Roberts [Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga Murrumbidgee]

**Club Members involved at District Level:**

**Director, District Foundation:** Fred Loneragan (Rotary Foundation)

**Director, District Rotary Service Projects:** Noelene Hogan

**District Chairperson:** Fred Loneragan (Rotarians Fighting for Aids, Peace Communities)

**District Committees:** Noelene Hogan (Director, District Rotary Service Projects)  
Marilyn Walter (Rotarians Fighting For Aids)  
Denise Flockton (Vocational Services & Awards)

**International Peace Communities Conference:** Fred Loneragan (Chairman), David Gilbey

**THE FOUR WAY TEST:**

**Is it the TRUTH?**

**Is it FAIR to all concerned?**

**Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?**

**Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?**

**final drollery, thanks Dennis Blackett:**

**Puns for the Educated**

1. King Ozymandias of Assyria was running low on cash after years of war with the Hittites. His last great possession was the Star of the Euphrates, the most valuable diamond in the ancient world. Desperate, he went to Croesus, the pawnbroker, to ask for a loan.

Croesus said, "I'll give you 100,000 dinars for it."

"But I paid a million dinars for it," the King protested.. "Don't you know who I am? I am the king!"

Croesus replied, "When you wish to pawn a Star, makes no difference who you are."

2. Evidence has been found that William Tell and his family were avid bowlers. Unfortunately, all the Swiss league records were destroyed in a fire ... and so we'll never know for whom the Tells bowled.

3. A man rushed into a busy doctor's surgery and shouted, "Doctor! I think I'm shrinking!" The doctor calmly responded, "Now, settle down. You'll just have to be a little patient."

4. Back in the 1800's the Tate's Watch Company of Massachusetts wanted to produce other products, and since they already made the cases for watches, they used them to produce compasses. The new compasses were so bad that people often ended up in Canada or Mexico rather than California. This, of course, is the origin of the expression -- "He who has a Tate's is lost!"

5. An Indian chief was feeling very sick, so he summoned the medicine man. After a brief examination, the medicine man took out a long, thin strip of elk rawhide and gave it to the chief, telling him to bite off, chew, and swallow one inch of the leather every day. After a month, the medicine man returned to see how the chief was feeling. The chief shrugged and said, "The thong

is ended, but the malady lingers on."

6. A famous Viking explorer returned home from a voyage and found his name missing from the town register. His wife insisted on complaining to the local civic official, who apologized profusely saying, "I must have taken Leif off my census."

7. There were three Indian squaws. One slept on a deer skin, one slept on an elk skin, and the third slept on a hippopotamus skin. All three became pregnant. The first two each had a baby boy. The one who slept on the hippopotamus skin had twin boys. This just goes to prove that... the squaw of the hippopotamus is equal to the sons of the squaws of the other two hides. (Some of you may need help with this one.)

8. A skeptical anthropologist was cataloguing South American folk remedies with the assistance of a tribal elder who indicated that the leaves of a particular fern were a sure cure for any case of constipation. When the anthropologist expressed his doubts, the elder looked him in the eye and said, "Let me tell you, with fronds like these, you don't need enemas."

**Bulletin Reporter:** Jennifer Weale

**Keyway Editor:** David Gilbey