



WOLLUNDRY ROTARY WEEKLY BULLETIN

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CHANGEOVER 2012



Outgoing President **Doug Conkey** welcomes **President Andy Irvine** as the new President of the Rotary Club of Wollundry for 2012/13. At a packed auditorium at the Commercial Club **Past President Doug** presided over a fun-filled evening of reflection on a great year for the club.

There were many highlights including total funds donated of **\$108,020** of which **\$42,500** was donated to **Micah House** a work of the St Vincent De Paul Society.

Past President Doug claimed a record for the donation and he set a number of records, his last being the quickest Changeover function which completed formalities by 9.15 p.m. **Congratulations to Doug on a job well done!**

Changeover Meeting

Our Changeover meeting was ably chaired by **MC Mark Hillis** who is to be congratulated for the efficient and entertaining meeting over which he presided. When guests were seated he called the meeting to order by asking **PP Doug Sutton** to lead with Rotary Grace followed by a **Loyal Toast** proposed by **Brian Roberts**.



An official welcome to guests was made by **President Elect 2013/14 Phil McIntosh** pictured with his wife **Lynette**

Mayor Kerry Pascoe, also a club member, responded to Phil's welcome and as Mayor, praised Wollundry for the extensive work club members do in our community and the significant impact it has on the quality of life of Wagga citizens.



Mayor Kerry Pascoe pictured above with members **Alan Eldridge** and **Col Duff**

MEETING DETAILS

Visitors/ Partners /Guests

The Mayor and Mayoress Kerry and Dianne Pascoe
PDG Henry Gardiner and wife Margaret
AG Garry Roberts and wife Marilyn
PP Joe Savinije and wife Jan
President Sth Wagga Tony Crawford and wife Penny
President Koorringal Reg Miegel
Mr and Mrs Neville and Noreen Conkey
Mr. Grant Luhrs
Mrs Hilda Bragg and Mr Bill Denton
Mrs Faith Butt
Mr. Neal Molineaux, Mr. Julian McLaren and Mr. Andrew Roberts South Wagga Apex.
Mrs Beverle Irvine and Frances, Michael and Jacqueline



Apologies

Federal Member Michael McCormack and Catherine
State Member Daryl Maguire and Maureen
Sue Braid, Peter Davies, Tony Weisel, Rob Balding, Laurie Blowes,
Richard Braid, Hugh Campbell, Peter Crozier, Ken Cook, Michael
Eldridge, Paul Gianniotis, John Gray, Geoff Hamilton, John Ireland,
Wayne Jenkins, John Knight, Alan Lloyd, Michael Merrylees, Colin
Mercer, Simon Musgrave, Chris Nash, Greg O'Hare, Pat Parnell,
Rob Pearson, Brent Pickard, Evan Robertson, Ken Taylor, Darren
Wallace, Frank Fuller. (27 members apologized)



PDG John Egan delivered a heartfelt toast to Rotary International. He is being congratulated above by **PDG Henry Gardiner** who responded to the toast. John received an award for his contribution as District Director for the Rotary Foundation.

In his address John spoke of the amazing work that the 1.2 million members of Rotary have achieved world wide. He spoke of the scourge of Polio and the effect it has on individuals and families.

He asked “Can you imagine living for 60 years in an iron lung? Can you imagine walking with a stick dragging a useless limb behind you? Can you imagine having to beg for a living because you can barely stand, let alone walk? Yet this is what Rotary has avoided for thousands of people by your efforts, by your donations to the Rotary Foundation.”

“Fresh water is vital for humanity. Many live without it. Your efforts are changing all that for thousands. As one grandmother said: “After Rotary came, the children stopped dying!”



PDG John Egan and wife Maria proudly hold the District Award he received for his work for the Rotary Foundation.



New **President Andrew Irvine** is congratulated by **Past President Doug Conkey**. Both Presidents made great speeches. **Doug** thanked particularly **Marj Nash, Maria Egan, and all the Irvine Family**, for the table decorations and the preparation for the night.

He recounted that at PETS he had set three goals: to leave a legacy; choose a mentor and have fun. The latter was always achievable due to the nature of Wollundry club and the wonderful fellowship. While being President had been constant he had found it satisfying and a wonderful experience. He had chosen a mentor in **PP Paul Murray** who he thanked for his guidance and counsel throughout the year. His two legacies are Club Runner, with special thanks to Paul for setting it up and the Shed for our trailers which will be completed soon at North Wagga.

Doug had a special thank you for **Chris Nash**, for the shed at the Leagues Club, for the **Nash Brothers and James Hamilton** for the work on the North Wagga project and for the **Bulletin Editors** for squirreling away each week to produce the Bulletin. Doug finished by saying how strong our club is and encouraging a liaison with South Wagga Apex for potential future members.

President Andrew Irvine congratulated **PP Doug** and his wife **Wendy** for the great job they had done over the past year. He said how privileged he felt to be elected by his fellow Rotarians as the 35th President of our great club. He recounted how **Michael Knight** casually asked him if he would be interested in Rotary as they passed items across the bar at the Victoria Hotel. He knew **Rick Priest** who was president at the time and he also knew a few of the members, so he eagerly accepted the invitation.

Andrew expressed how much he enjoyed attending District Conferences and encouraged others to do the same. The next conference is in Leeton in April next year.

In a wonderful coincidence Andrew revealed that his dad **Terry Irvine** is being inducted as President of Narooma Rotary Club this month. Terry was a member of our Club for a time. We all look forward to a great year Andrew under your stewardship.



President Doug presented Paul Milde with the Wollundry Rotarian of the Year award for his work for the club and in particular for the Food and Wine Festival.



Wollundry Rotary Board 2012/13 left to right: Phil McIntosh, Silas Darby, Chris Metcalfe, President Andy Irvine, Michael Knight, Nick Leywood, Paul Milde and PP Doug Conkey.



**“Behind every good man.....”
And so it is with Wollundry.**

Beverle Irvine and Wendy Conkey were delighted at the roles their respective husbands have played and will play in the great work of Wollundry.

ROSTERS



FELLOWSHIP RECEPTION FURNITURE

July 3 Greg Conkey, Ken Cook, Peter Crozier

July 10 Silas Darby, Colin Duff, John Egan

If you are unable to carry out your duties, please find a replacement.

PROGRAM GUIDE

July 03 TBA

July 10 Andrew Saxby and Justin Rynehart

July 17 TBA

July 24 Katrina Brown Heart Kids NSW

Contact Alan Eldridge regarding the booking of guest speakers for 2012.

BULLETIN EDITOR ROSTER:

July 3 - 17 Michael Knight

July 24 - Aug 7 John Egan

Aug 14 - 28 John Ferguson

Sep 4 - 18 Paul Murray

Sep 25 - Oct 9 Doug Sutton



SERGEANT at ARMS ROSTER:

TBA



Special Guest entertainer Grant Luhrs entertained us with some notable classics:

“Let’s get a cow”

“You’re a Dickhead”

And “Nude Boot Scootin”

Thoroughly entertaining with enough content to keep the Sergeant busy for the next year!!

MARKET ROSTER

Saturday Markets start 6:30 am
Sunday Markets OIC 6.30am, Team 7am

SUNDAY 1st July 2012 OIC George Thomas

John Ireland, Michael Knight, Colin Mercer, Mark Sayer, Dick Smith

SUNDAY 8th July 2012 OIC David Hodge

Hugh Campbell, Doug Conkey, Gerry Gerlach, Paul Murray, Kerry Pascoe

SATURDAY 14th July 2012 OIC Tim Barter

Colin Duff, David Benn, Geoff Breust, Michael Eldridge, Nick Leywood, Chris Metcalfe, Pat Parnell, Rob Pearson, Doug Sutton, Wal Paton.

SUNDAY 15th July 2012 OIC Paul Gianniotis

Craig Bromley, David Byfield, Chris Nash, Brian Roberts, Wayne Jenkins

SUNDAY 22nd July 2012 OIC Alan Eldridge

Rob Balding, John Egan, John Mason, Kevin Roben, John Smith

SUNDAY 29th July 2012 OIC James Ross

Laurie Blowes, Graham Burmeister, Mark Flemming, Phillip McIntosh, Paul Milde



100 PERCENTERS!

These chaps haven't missed a meeting all year. David Byfield hasn't missed a meeting for 38 years! Ed. is not sure whether they deserve commiseration or congratulations.