



WOLLUNDRY ROTARY WEEKLY BULLETIN

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Tuesdays 12:30 pm

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Apologies: Doug Conkey 4pm Monday 6925-3039

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS



George and Kay Thomas receive Paul Harris Fellowships from DG Ian Simpson for their work with Youth Exchange. Congratulations Kay and George for a job well done.

NEW MEMBER FOR CLUB



Wal and Helen Paton enjoyed a club meal before Wal was inducted by President Doug Conkey. Wal is looking forward to his participation in club activities.

BEST EVER FOOD AND WINE FESTIVAL



It is no wonder **Kev Roben** is all smiles when he reported on the results for the **Food and Wine Festival**. He revealed that the beneficiary of the proceeds, Micah House, a work of St Vincent De Paul Society, will receive somewhere between \$40 and \$50 thousand dollars.

Kev, the OIC of the organising committee, thanked all those who had assisted. He said he did not want to single out individuals as there are so many and he might miss someone. He did however singled out **Tim Barter** and **Nick Leywood** for their extraordinary efforts. He also thanked **The Committee, Partners, Wives, South Wagga Apex, GSE team, Wagga Rotary Members, and all the Club Members** who assisted. In turn, Kevin was thanked for his outstanding effort by **President Doug**. Members Applauded.

President Doug thanked a number of people for their efforts in what he described was the busiest week in our Rotary Year.

- RYDA. Doug thanked all those involved in this very successful student driver training week
- Town and Gown. A thank you to **John Flynn, Chris Metcalf, and Malcolm Robertson** for their assistance.
- GSE team from Oklahoma. Thank you to coordinator **Jim Gibson** for organising a fantastic program. Also to **Andy Irvine and John Smith** who provided the team with a flight over the Murrumbidgee valley.
- **Food and Wine Festival**. Doug thanked **Kev Roben** and **Tim Barter** especially but like Kev did not want to single out others for fear of missing someone. He thanked all club members for the fantastic support and especially **The food and wine committee** who have worked so hard over the whole year preparing for what was a fantastic weekend and result.



GUEST SPEAKER



Our guest speaker today was **Dr. Gerard Carroll**, Professor of Medicine, Cardiologist and Physician. He was introduced by **President Doug Conkey** who stated that when Gerard arrived in Wagga in 1991 there were only 3 cardiologists and now there are 12. He attributed the success of the growth to the efforts of Dr. Carroll who he described as a driving force behind the upgrade of the Wagga Base Hospital and the development of Calvary Hospital.

Gerard revealed that he is a Collingwood supporter, family man and passionate advocate of Rural Medicine.

“The pathways into medicine have changed a lot in the past 30 years” said Gerard as he launched into his topic of Medical Education in Rural Australia. Before 1980 it was simply the highest achievers in HSC who could enter medicine, now there are a lot more courses available and a combination of academic record, aptitude testing and interview are the means to entry. Fifty percent of entries to Medical School are graduate entries. Entrants to Sydney University medical school come via UNSW, Uni of Western Sydney and Notre Dame Uni for example.

In order to get Doctors to work in the bush permanently you need first to get them to train in the bush. The greater exposure to the bush the more likely they will choose a permanent position in the bush.

Gerard said that Rural Entry Schemes compensated to some degree for lack of competition at Rural High Schools and therefore potentially lower academic results. At the same time affirmative action policies are not necessarily the best way to go as they can put a lot of pressure on candidates who aren't up to the study and therefore result in failure. It is best to have a balanced approach.

Following political pressure a Rural Clinical School became a possibility in Wagga in 1999 and then we obtained the funds for the cancer care centre. Gerard clarified the difference between a Clinical School and a Medical School. The former is the business end of a medical school, specialties like cardiology, orthopaedics, surgery, the second half of a medical course. A medical school is the full blown course from start to finish. The agenda in Wagga now includes getting a full medical course here in the city. We now have 75 specialists in Wagga and 59 GPs. We are short of Psychiatrists most of whom work close to the CBD in Sydney.

Gerard sees the influx of overseas trained Doctors as a short term issue as local graduand numbers are swelling. There is a Doctor retention scheme operating in Wagga. One of the critical issues is to get and retain the commitment of the spouse.

After answering a number of questions from the audience a vote of thanks was given by **Darren Wallace** who expressed the view that the future of medicine in Wagga is in good hands. Members showed their support by applause.

MEETING DETAILS

Club Guests

Eugenie Coche, Adam Crozier

Visiting Rotarians

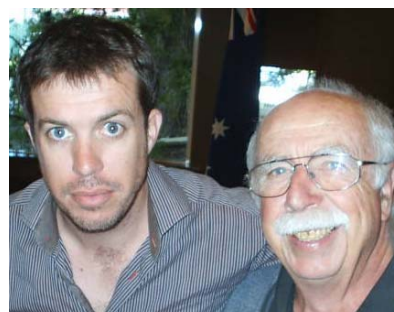
Brent Pickard, Kevin Foley, Torita Mane, Laurie Thiele

Rotarian Partners

Norma Gray, Maria Egan, Marj Nash

Visitors

Wal Paton, Wayne Jenkins, Tim MacGillicuddy, Helen Paton



Makeups

Geoff Hamilton, John Hawkins, Hugh Campbell, Steve McCoy, Doug Conkey, Laurie Blowes, Geoff Breust, Jim Gibson, Gerry Gerlach, Col Mercer, Chris Nash, Phil McIntosh, Rob Balding, Michael Georgiou, Col Duff, Michael Eldridge, Tim Barter, Andrew Irvine, Frank Fuller, Paul Gianniotis, Paul Murray, Peter Clucas.

Apologies :

Ken Cook, Hugh Campbell, Ken Taylor, John Hawkins, Laurie Blowes, Geoff Breust, Craig Bromley, John Flynn, Neil Pinto, Jim Gibson, Gerry Gerlach, Col Mercer, Rob Pearson.

Birthdays:

Peter MacKinnon April 5 53

Wedding Anniversaries:

Doug and Wendy Conkey April 7

Peter and Gail Crozier Aril 4

Club Anniversaries:

Rob Balding April 08 4 years

David Foster April 03 5 years

Greg O'Hare April 07 3 years



A large representation of **The Wagga Men's Rugby Choir** , which included several Wollundry Rotarians, serenaded our one and only **PDG John Egan** with one of his favourite Beatles' numbers **When I'm Sixty Four** for his 64th birthday which fell today.

John was suitable embarrassed and delighted.
His photogenic wife **Maria** came along to support Him. Congratulations John and we hope you have many More birthdays to come.



Our Sergeant this week was Peter Clucas

Peter was on his game and fined the following for sundry offences: **Paul Gianniotis Evan Robertson, Frank Fuller, David Byfield, Ken Cook, Dave Foster, Doug Conkey, Peter Crozier and Neil Pinot (in absentia)**

Congratulations to Neil Pinto who has been made Chief Judge for the National Cycling championships in Melbourne this week. The Olympic team will be chosen from the championships.

Paul Gianniotis reported that the CSU Scholarship interviews had been held and a winner chosen. He will provide further details of names for a future bulletin.

Sunday Market Report

Mar 18, 2012

The team consisted of: OIC John Hawkins, Bruce Spink, Phil McIntosh, Ken Cook, Kevin Moffat excused to assist at Food and Wine pull down.



Comments:

- *OIC book transfers caused some problems, Ken Cook calmed the situation. Small but efficient team. Bit of rain mid morning. Thanks to Phil McIntosh for presenting this report.*

Frank Fuller arrived in time to assist in pulling the lid off a red. No coffee in the cupboard.

Gate	\$ 765.65
Stalls	\$ 410.00
Adv bookings	\$ 368.00
Trestles	\$ 56.00
Power	\$ 00.00
TOTAL	\$ 1603.65

“What a fabulous show! Food, wine beer and entertainment in great weather in an ideal location - just perfect for drawing the crowds in, and that’s exactly what it did.

People flocked to Wagga for the Food and Wine Festival and enjoyed the delicious cuisines, the fine wines and the boutique beers on offer”

Narelle Morse columnist Young Wagga Daily Advertiser April 4 2012;

ROSTERS



FELLOWSHIP RECEPTION FURNITURE

April 10 Chris Nash, Greg O'Hare, Ray Pankhurst
April 17 Patrick Parnell, Kerry Pascoe, Robert Pearson
April 24 Neil Pinto, Rick Priest, Kevin Roben

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

PROGRAM GUIDE

April 10 TBA
April 17 Dr. Catherine Burns Healthy Food and Obesity
May 22 R.I. President Kaylene Banerjee in Wagga.
Jun 26 Changeover

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



BULLETIN EDITOR ROSTER:

April 10, 17, 24 John Egan
May 01, 08, 15 John Ferguson
May 22, 29, Jun 05 Paul Murray
Jun 12, 19, 26 Doug Sutton

SERGEANT at ARMS ROSTER:

April 10 John Gray
April 17 Peter Clucas
April 24 Silas Darby

District Events Calendar

- ♦ **April 29 District Assembly in Grenfell**
- ♦ **May 22 RI President Kalyan Banerjee will be in Wagga Wagga**
- ♦ **June 26 Wollundry Changeover**

MARKET ROSTER

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

SUNDAY 1st April 2012 OIC John Smith

Graham Burmeister, John Egan, Kevin Moffatt, Bruce Spinks, Rob Fuller

SUNDAY 8th April 2012 OIC John Gray

Tim Barter, Peter Clucas, Paul Milde, Brent Pickard, Dennis Shean

SATURDAY 14th April 2012 OIC Steven McCoy

*Pat Ingram, Doug Conkey, Peter Crozier, James Hamilton, Andrew Irvine,
Simon Musgrave, Chris Nash, Neil Pinto, Rick Priest, Darren Wallace*

SUNDAY 15th April 2012 OIC Richard Braid

Peter Crozier, Silas Darby, John Flynn, Evan Robertson, Ken Turner

SUNDAY 22nd April 2012 OIC Doug Sutton

Jim Gibson, Michael Merrylees, Greg O'Hare, Malcolm Robertson, George Thomas

SUNDAY 29th April 2012 OIC Greg Conkey

Michael Georgiou, John Hawkins, David Hodge, John Ireland, Michael Knight,

SUNDAY 6th May 2012 OIC Geoff Breust

Nick Leywood, Colin Mercer, Paul Murray, Mark Sayer, Dick Smith

SATURDAY 12th May 2012 OIC Chris Nash

*Colin Duff, Rob Balding, Craig Bromley, Gerry Gerlach, Peter MacKinnon, Chris
Metcalf*

Pat Parnell, Kerry Pascoe, Brian Roberts, James Ross.

SUNDAY 13th May 2012 OIC David Benn

Laurie Blowes, Hugh Campbell, Michael Eldridge, Paul Gianniotis, Robert Pearson

SUNDAY 20th May 2012 OIC John Egan

David Byfield, Alan Eldridge, Frank Fuller, Kevin Roben, Wal Paton

SUNDAY 27th May 2012 OIC John Smith

Graham Burmeister, Ken Cook, Andrew Irvine, John Mason, Bruce Spinks

SUNDAY 3rd June 2012 OIC David Foster

John Ferguson, Rob Fuller, Geoff Hamilton, John Knight, Phillip McIntosh

FOOD AND WINE PICTURES



