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BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA Inc. - CHARTERED 1930

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<p>RI President: Holger Knaack Dist. Gov 9705: Michael Moore Area Three Gov: Martin Brown Club President: David Payne Club Secretary: Ellen Brasier</p>	 Rotary Opens Opportunities	<p>THE FOUR WAY TEST: Of the things we think, say or do: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it the truth? • Is it fair to all concerned? • Will it build goodwill & better friendships? • Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
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BULLETIN NO: 14.

Thursday 1st October, 2020.

OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Club meets at the WAGGA WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB, **6:00 PM for 6.30 PM** (unless stated below).

Duty Officers' Roster: -

Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty. Also inform the Bulletin Reporter.

DATE:	Thursday 8th Oct.	Thursday 15th Oct.	Thursday 22nd Oct.
PROGRAMME:	Growing Olives in Wagga Geoff Treloar	HAT NIGHT for Mental Health (Partners Night)	POLIO UPDATE PDG John McKenzie
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Bruce Heydon	Karel Bijker John Heazlewood	Karel Bijker Mary Ann Kelly
GREETER:	Not Required (COVID)	Not Required (COVID)	Not Required (COVID)
SHORT & SWEET:	Peter Veerhuis	John Egan	Elaine Almond
FINES-MASTER:	Bryan Short	David Cannon	Paul Galloway
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Vida Smart	N/R	David Friedlieb
VOTE OF THANKS:	Lyndal Seymour	N/R	Bruce Barber
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Peter Veerhuis	Vida Smart	Vicky Donoghue
C'TTEE MEETINGS:	N/R	N/R	N/R

Invocation: *For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks.*

UNABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING? Please lodge an apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE ☐ 6922 6444

by **2.30 pm Wednesday** (or pre-record it in the book provided at the meeting attendance table – IN BLOCK LETTERS).

Also, for catering purposes, please advise if bringing a guest to a meeting

MEETING REPORT: -

Attendance

President David opened the meeting at 6.30pm welcoming the 31 members in attendance as well as our Guest Speaker Isaac Hill; Peter Olson, guest of Peter Veerhuis, and Honorary Members Bill Prest, John Studdert and Graham Gorrel. Apologies came from Mary Ann Kelly, Rajinder Singh, Alf Barzen, Peter Smart, Neil Hilpern, Allan Duffus, Ellen Brasier, Mike Murray, Graham Russel, Gordon Saggars, Tony Hutchinson, Vida Smart, Terry Meacham, Gary Roberts, Rob Sharkie and Alok Sharma.

Administrative Notes:

President David advised of some Board decisions from last week's Board Meeting. These included making a contribution of \$380 for a scholarship to the Summer School of Strings, as well as \$1000 to the Riverina Conservatorium of Music to continue the Scholarship honouring Late Past President John Goldsworthy.

David also announced that the Club has accepted a recommendation of the Club's International Sub-committee to adopt the *Clean Water for East Timor Rural Villages Project*, as put forward by members Howard Mendel and Bryan Short. The Club will also make an initial contribution of \$5000 towards the Project.



Our Next Meeting

This Thursday, 8th October .our guest speaker Geoff Treloar, who conducts a 1600 tree olive grove near Wagga producing award - winning olive oil, will enlighten us about '**Growing Olives in Wagga**'.



Short & Sweet.

Bruce Heydon tested our memory to recall something of sporting significance that happened 40 years ago this weekend. It was Dick Johnson's unfortunate incident with a large rock on the Mt Panorama Circuit during the Bathurst 1000. Bruce went into the history of the race but concentrated on the incident that led to Johnson having to withdraw from the race, and being a privately sponsored entrant, what looked like the end of his racing career. However after a post-race interview where his grim financial circumstances were revealed, there was an avalanche of public support and donations that saw his career grow and blossom, so that he was able to win the race 3 times, and continues with his son Steven today. We have a sneaking suspicion that Bruce might be an old Ford fan!



Fines-Master Session.

Peter Murray fined raffle winner David Wynne and those with Birthdays (Bill Prest 88, Marg Everett, David Kennedy and Bruce Heydon) and Anniversaries – no one. He then went on to fine all those who had photos in last week's bulletin, and those who had not embraced happy socks, telling us that Late US President George HW Bush wore a pair to the grave ! Peter is suggesting that the sale of happy socks might be a good fund raising exercise for Rotary.



He finished off with a series of golf stories, cleaning out all the unfortunate golfers. Thanks for a good session Peter.

Guest Speaker

Guest Speaker, Isaac Hill, Auctioneer and Principal of Wagga Regional Livestock Pty Ltd was introduced by fellow auctioneer Paul Galloway.

Isaac is from a family of livestock agents and auctioneers and gave us a brief rundown of the activities required of agents engaged in buying, selling, and classing of livestock, even extending to counselling in times of hardship. He explained the impact of COVID19 on livestock marketing centres where strict protocols were imposed regulating attendance to minimise any potential risk of spread of the virus, and the effects this had on sales methods and prices.



As an example of the strategic aspects of the industry, he told us about an unusual case whereby one of his clients decided 10 years ago to move away from sheep that need to be shorn, to sheep that shed their wool in the paddock. This was on the basis that the shedding sheep grow and fatten quicker than the more traditional shorn sheep. With COVID19 there is much reduced demand for top quality woollen clothing, and the wool price has collapsed. So Isaac's client, over 10 years has migrated to a flock of shedding sheep and now the demand for the ewes and lambs, with these genetics, has sky-rocketed. Normal fat lambs are bringing around \$280 at the moment, whereas the shedding lambs had an Australian record sale last week of \$415 per head.

He also discussed the situation that the wharf strike in Sydney is holding back export lamb buyers (80% of lambs go overseas), but if they are not careful, they will be caught out by a shortage of lamb for the Christmas /New Year period

Isaac finished off explaining the inner workings of the Wagga Wagga Livestock Marketing Centre, and letting us know that the Centre is the largest selling centre in the southern hemisphere. We are fortunate to have such an enterprise in our city .Isaac was thanked for a very interesting presentation by Marg Keys.

He didn't get off light, being pressed into service to auction a book for the club funds.



PLEASE BLOCK-OUT THE FOLLOWING DATES IN YOUR DIARY: -

10th December 2020

District Governor Michael Moore on Zoom.

17th December 2020

Club Christmas Function.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

5th Oct.to 11th Oct

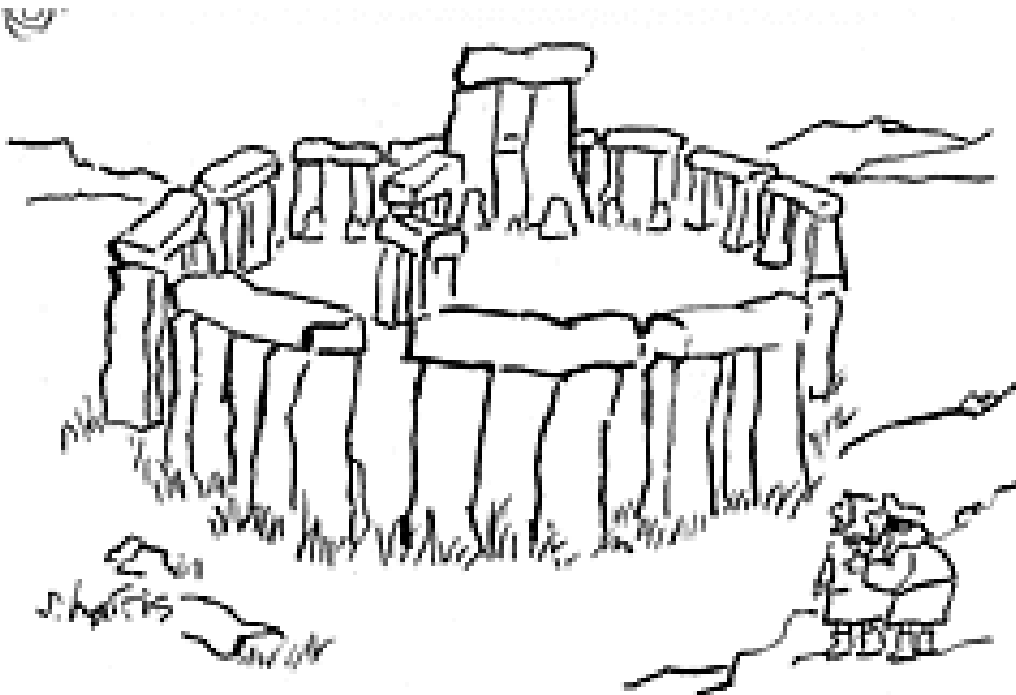
Birthdays: Jane HEAZLEWOOD (5/10), Wendy HARDING (11/10)

Rotary Anniversaries: Terry MECHAM (07/10/1999 and Hay 1987-1991)

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



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**“REMEMBER, WHEN DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS,
WE GIVE EVERYTHING A SLIGHT TURN TO THE LEFT.”**

THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK:



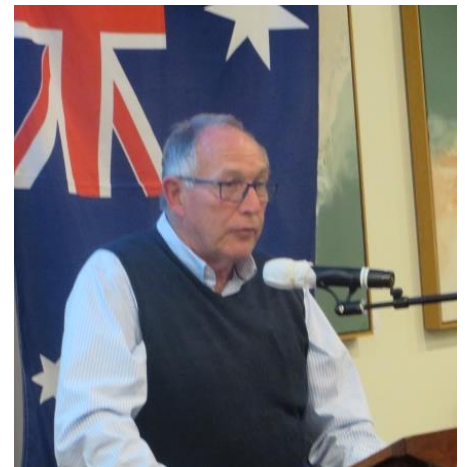
88 not out !



Seen those faces before !



Come on you lot – Pay up !



**Seen in the carpark !
No – not that G8way**



Peter's Happy Socks



Johnson's Rock

From our History – Celebrating 90 Years

Over its 90 years, the Club has been involved in many projects and fund-raisers

INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE WITH JAPAN In a huge concept, tours by Japanese Rotarians to play golf in Australia were planned to start in May 1994. It was intended as a fund-raiser for the Camp Quality charity which was supported by Wagga Rotary at that time.: the original aim was for 400 participants, with Cathay Pacific airline providing transport. Extensive arrangements included booking exclusive use of the Country Golf Club for the for a week, a mayoral reception at the Art Gallery, a huge dinner at Bolton Park Stadium; and a range of activities including Holbrook Races, winery visits, skydiving etc . A stylised brochure was prepared bearing the city crest and circulated among many Japanese Rotary clubs. 100 bookings were necessary to proceed, and this was not achieved so the tour was cancelled..

All was not lost, however, and in 1995 a visit from 25 persons from Gifu East Rotary Club, Japan took place between 19th October and 22nd October The visit included a Civic Reception , Club Meeting, golf, visit to Hanerika Farm, a dinner function at Oura Winery, and a visit to a race meeting and Botanic Gardens. **Then in 1996**, a group of 8 came from Japan, between December 28th 1996 and January 5th 1997. There was a progressive dinner and a function at the Oura Winery. Wagga Club members were presented with Japanese 'Happy Coats' as a memento. The GIFU Cup, later used as an award during fine sessions, emanated from these visits.

A return visit from a Wagga group of eight including Past President Hany Hanna , PP the late Kevin Power, Past President the late Ron Ducie, PDG the late Peter Walsh and their wives, together with then Mayor Peter Dale; was made to Iberaki Japan in June 1997. Much organisational work for the exchanges was done by Ron Ducie - his archive has been presented to the club by wife Jenny.

