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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: 15.

Thursday 8th 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 15th Oct.	Thursday 22nd Oct.	Thursday 29th Oct.
PROGRAMME:	HAT NIGHT for Mental Health (Partners Night)	POLIO UPDATE PDG John McKenzie	Andrew Crackanthorp GM Riverina Water
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker John Heazlewood	Karel Bijker Mary Ann Kelly	Karel Bijker Tony Hutchinson
GREETER:	Not Required (COVID)	Not Required (COVID)	Not Required (COVID)
SHORT & SWEET:	John Egan	Elaine Almond	Brad Bland
FINES-MASTER:	David Cannon	Paul Galloway	Donoghue Vicky
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	N/R	David Friedlieb	Philip Cross
VOTE OF THANKS:	N/R	Bruce Barber	Mike Murray
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Vida Smart	Peter Veerhuis	Brasier, Ellen
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 welcomed 33 members, our guest speaker Geoff Treloar, his partner Jenny Masters (guest of Vida Smart), and Peter Olson (guest of Peter Veerhuis) to the meeting. He also welcomed Peter Smart back to 'the fold' after an absence of several weeks. Apologies were recorded from Alf Barzen, Allan Duffus, Margaret Everett, Barry Francis, Paul Galloway, Nepal Ghosh, Neil Hilpern, Margaret Keys, Marion Moran, Alok Sharma and Rajinder Singh.



Our Next Meeting

This Thursday, 15th October our meeting is a HAT NIGHT for Mental Health. It's a Partners Night – wear a jazzy hat and be prepared for some fun while supporting Rotary Mental Health.

Hat Day 10th Oct 2020 is the national fundraising & awareness day for mental health research run by [Australian Rotary Health](http://AustralianRotaryHealth.org.au), one of the largest funders of mental health research in Australia.

100% of the money raised will go directly to research helping the one in five Australians affected by depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, OCD, Bipolar, anorexia and many other illnesses.

<https://hatday.com.au>



Short & Sweet.

Graeme Callander took the microphone to tell all those gathered, about his long friendship with fellow member David Kennedy. Graeme described David as 'passionate'.....a passionate pharmacist, musician, community contributor and volunteer. They share a range of interests involving music, motor cycles and just helping people. Their friendship extends over 30 years, and Graeme eventually enticed David to join Rotary in 2014. (Unbeknown to David, Graeme's Short & Sweet formed the 'citation' for what was to follow.....)



Paul Harris Fellow Award David Kennedy

Citation from Graeme Callander (summary)

David and I first met through music. We were both members of a re-formed Riverina Jazz Band and became firm friends. David has a history of community service which stretches back to his membership of Wagga Wagga Apex Club, where he was an extremely active member.

In 1994, David was awarded the Order of Australia Medal for 'Services to the Community', much of which included pioneering work in Rural Hospital Pharmacy.

Pharmacy may have been his career (and a very successful one), but music is his life. Playing, arranging, composing, leading singing groups (The Mentones and The Dominies).....David has always been a musician who enjoys making people happy by sharing his music. In March 2000 The Mentones, under David's leadership, received a Premier's Community Award in recognition of their outstanding service to the community.

In February 2012 David received a Rotary Peace Day Community Service Award, presented by the Combined Rotary Clubs of Wagga Wagga Community Peace Committee.

He presently serves on The Cancer Centre Trust, which controls the Wagga Wagga Cancer Centre. David finally became a member of this Rotary Club on 12 June 2014, and has enthusiastically lent his skills for the benefit of others, whether it be in music, or doing all the 'computer stuff', or the 'video stuff', or rolling up his sleeves for a bit of hard work.

His wife Ruth says he is 'an ordinary person doing ordinary things'. We think he might be an ordinary person, but he does extraordinary things!

President David Payne proceeded to declare David Kennedy the worthy recipient of a Paul Harris Fellowship, and made the presentation of the award, to great acclaim.

Response by David Kennedy:

David said what a great thrill (and surprise) it was to be awarded a PHF. He thanked everyone for their warm congratulations, and remarked that his father was a foundation member of South Wagga Rotary, and had been awarded a PHF, so this is special.



Fines-Master Session.

Bryan Short started with a few of the usual fines including:-

RAFFLE WINNER. David Friedlieb

GOLF: David was targeted again for scoring a hole-in-one on the 18th (right outside our meeting room window) last week. Not bad for a relative newcomer to the game! Bryan then targeted all golfers who had never achieved this feat.....

THE BUDGET: Bryan fined anyone who gained benefit from the Treasurer's largesse:

FOOTY FINALS: Anyone whose football team made the finals. Gordon Sagers was asked to chip in on behalf of the absent Paul Galloway whose horse had a win this week., and

COVID featured in two riddles to finish.... 'What is the difference between COVID10 and Romeo and Juliet? *One is the Corona Virus and the other is the Verona Crisis.*'

'If there is a baby boom in 9 months from now, what will happen in 2033? *There will be a whole bunch of quaranteens!!*' Great fun Bryan !



Guest Speaker

Introduced by long-time friend Vida Smart, Geoff Treloar stepped up to share his passion and knowledge of the olive industry. Geoff was a vet in a 'previous life', and about 20 years ago decided to try something different on a property they had bought just outside Wagga. Olives were selected due to the suitable climate conditions and water availability. A 1700 tree olive grove was planted, with each tree having its own individual water supply.

Olive trees flower in early spring and are generally wind pollinated. They set fruit during the summer and are ready for harvest in May. To achieve

the highest quality oil, the fruit must be transported to the processor on the same day it is picked. The pressed oil is then returned the following day in order to be prepared for bottling.

Maintenance of the olive grove is constant. The olive tree is, in fact, not a tree. It is a bush, and as such requires constant labour intensive pruning. Upkeep of the irrigation system, ensuring that the sprayers remain clear of any blockages is essential and very time consuming.

Samples of the oil must be sent to a testing laboratory for 'grading'. Wagga Wagga is the location of the only certified olive oil testing laboratory in the southern hemisphere. The oil is graded as 'extra virgin', 'virgin' (fit for human consumption) or 'lampante', which requires refinement.

Extra virgin olive oil can have a shelf life of up to two years if stored correctly. The 'enemies' of olive oil are **heat** (15-18 degrees Celsius is optimum storage temp), **light** (that's why it comes in a dark glass bottle), **air** (oils oxidise when left in the open, so seal the bottle), and **time** (use your oil so it doesn't linger and go rancid).

After answering several questions at the conclusion of his presentation, Geoff was ably thanked by Lyndal Seymour.



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: -

12th Oct. to 18th Oct

Birthdays:

Graham RUSSELL (15/10), Christine HEYDON (15/10)

Rotary Anniversaries:

Elaine ALMOND 17/10/2013, Peter SMART 16/10/2014, Vida SMART 16/10/2014,
Alf BARZEN 18/10/2018

Wedding Anniversaries:

Bill & Dorothy PREST 13/10, Barry & Chris FRANCIS 13/10



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Please Sir
Can I have
some more?



Olive R. Twist

Old Man McQuillan walked into a bar and ordered martini after martini, each time removing the olives and placing them in a jar. When the jar was filled with olives and all the drinks consumed, the Irishman started to leave.



"S'cuse me," said a customer, who was puzzled over what McQuillan had done. "What was that all about?"
Nothing," said the Irishman, "my wife just sent me out for a jar of olives."



THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK:



From our History – Celebrating 90 Years

THE MOUNT AUSTIN GIRL GUIDES HALL

During the tenure of her office Joan Skews, President of the Girl Guides Mount Austin Local Association, approached the Wagga Wagga Rotary Club for assistance in building a hall for their group. This project was proposed during the Presidential year of the late Col Eagle (1984-85). The club willingly responded to the appeal and during Arthur Nixon's term as President (1985-86) the project was commenced and completed.

During the construction period Ian Rafferty, who was Community Service Director, was transferred in his army role and a very new member Bryan Short inherited this very formidable task.

A site, on open parkland space off Jack Avenue was made available by Council and the project began. A disused hut was donated by RAAF Base, Forest Hill. This was promptly sawn in two ready for transport and erection on the site when foundations and footing works were complete. The hut was refurbished and fitted out in a major undertaking. Physical work on the site commenced on 9th September 1985 with excavation for the strip footings and the piers and the first half of the hut was transported to the site on 10 October.

While the Rotary Club had among its members a bricklayer and an electrician and many enthusiastic amateurs, fortunately many tradesmen gave of their time and skills. Kitchen, storeroom and toilets were provided and utilities were connected. Girl Guides worked alongside the Rotary Club and provided much appreciated sustenance to the workers. The project from the turning of the first sod to the opening took seven months and its completion provided a wonderful example of Rotary involvement in Community Development, and a tribute to the determined group involved in what was a very complex undertaking.

The hall was officially opened on 19th April 1985 by Mrs Joan Elliston State Guide Commissioner of NSW in the presence of Kevin O'Connor, Governor of Rotary District 970, Arthur Nixon, President of Wagga Wagga Rotary Club and Joan Skews, President of the Mount Austin Girl Guide Local Committee.

A strong bond was formed between the Club and the Association with the club becoming patron of the Association and each year holding its Annual General Meeting in the hall. This was catered by the Girl Guides and members dinner fees are donated to them. Over the years Club members carried out maintenance to the hall, which was often subjected to vandalism.

With changing times, girl guide numbers fell and after about 20 years, the Mt. Austin Group was disbanded, with the Hall reverting to the Wagga City Council for community use.



OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

Nearly 800 million people live on less than \$1.90 a day. Rotary members are passionate about providing sustainable solutions to poverty. Our members and our foundation work to strengthen local entrepreneurs and community leaders, particularly women, in impoverished communities. We provide training and access to well-paying jobs and financial management institutions, via a range of strategies.



MICROLOANS Entrepreneurs use microloans to become street vendors, rickshaw drivers, weavers, and tailors.

AGRICULTURAL OPPORTUNITIES Entrepreneurs in rural communities can borrow money to buy livestock or plant crops, or get training in sustainable farming.

ADOPT A VILLAGE Rotary members use a multifaceted and coordinated strategy to break the cycle of poverty in extremely impoverished communities.

TRAINING Rotary International and Heifer International are teaching farmers to extend their growing season and help residents eat healthier, local food.

THE POWER OF LIGHT Rotary members team up with the Navajo Nation to bring solar lights to remote, off-the-grid homes, allowing people to work and learn at night.

Read more at:- <https://www.rotary.org/en/our-causes/growing-local-economies?>