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**BULLETIN NO: 23.**

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2020.**

**DECEMBER IS ROTARY DISEASE PREVENTION AND TREATMENT 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 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec.	Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec.
<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	DG Michael Moore Zoom Meeting.	Club Christmas Meeting	<b>NO MEETING.</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Karel Bijker Mike Murray	Karel Bijker Margaret Keys	A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all from your Bulletin Committee.
<b>GREETER:</b>	Not Required	Not Required	
<b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b>	Philip Cross	David Cannon	
<b>FINES-MASTER:</b>	Peter Smart	Bruce Barber	
<b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b>	President David	Not Required	Club Weekly Meetings Resume
<b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>	Not Required	Not Required	
<b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b>	Peter Veerhuis	Vicky Donoghue	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2021.
<b>C'TTEE MEETINGS:</b>	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**

There were 33 members in attendance, with 12 apologies. President David declared that summer had arrived and welcomed all to the meeting in summer gear, (which has probably gone back in the drawer this weekend.) with special mention being made of our Guest Speaker Joel Jenkins; Fran Mecham guest of Terry – celebrating their wedding anniversary - Joel's Mother Natasha and sister Tara, as well as Joel's right hand man Chris Edward, guests of Alan Lean. He also gave a special welcome back to Neil Hilpern, Alan Duffus and Peter Smart.



### **Reports**

➤ **Terry Mecham** reported that::

1. We have two BBQ's for Clontarf this week. On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December we have the Cricket BBQ at 11:00am at the Indoor Sports Centre in Nagle St. and on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at the Music Bowl for the Clontarf Presentation Evening cooking at 6:00pm for serving at 7pm.
2. Lillier Lodge Dinners will be held again next year. The March/April dinner will consist of a BBQ and salad and the May/June will be a Casserole Meal.



- **Vida Smart** spoke further about the value of our club's involvement with the Clontarf Program which has been restricted during the year, and asked that some of us also attend as spectators at the functions to show our support for this great program. We need to take chairs to the Presentation function.
- **President David** reminded the members to bring their Christmas Presents for the giving Tree at KMART to our next meeting.
- **David Friedlieb** outlined in a bit of detail the reasons for our club board voting against adoption of the District 9705 Budget. He also stated that we were not attending the District meeting as a protest, but that Past District Governor John McKenzie would act as our proxy, thus making sure that there was quorum for the meeting.

### **Finesmaster**

Lyndal Seymour had some assistance from Dave Wynne in filling the coffers, including a solid fine on Terry Mecham who, after issuing the tickets, won the raffle, drawn by wife Fran, on their anniversary! One of the general fines came from joke about lies. We were asked to pay up even if we had only told the smallest, little lie.

Another was about the old lady who, at age 80 was about to marry for a fourth time. When asked, she said the first was a banker, then a circus ringmaster, followed by a preacher, and now a funeral director. She explained that it's 'One for the money. Two for the show. Three to get ready and Four to go'.



## Short & Sweet.

Graham Russell's session had a biblical framework based on the prophet 'I Say It' Chapter 10, Verses 15 to the end. Using this format Graham flouted a few of the Short & Sweet conventions to make a point about the debate on this loveable but often maligned and vulnerable club activity. In Chapter 20. Graham stated that the most important thing about Membership is the fellowship. The before and after meeting time is very important for inter-personal development with each other. We need to mingle and enjoy full tables again preferably with some different people each week. Our out of meeting activities are very important part of this.



In Chapter 25 Graham stated that the greatest source of learning is buried within our membership and this resource should be used much more. Verse 31 indicates that we may miss some good stories by fussing too much about a few minutes - when asked to present Short and Sweet Graham often thinks "I'll tell that story because I reckon it's a good one" but then I realise I can't do it justice in three minutes so I tell another. Graham suggested that maybe an alternative could be that a group of people be identified who may wish to participate in a slightly longer session to share different types of story and on a suitable occasion such as a club night, one or two folk could teach us something we don't know about. Short and Sweet could then become Something of Interest occasionally. Here endeth the lesson.

## Guest Speaker

**Alan Lean** Introduced our guest Speaker, Joel Jenkins. Alan reminded us that this was usually Shine Awards Time and that the 3<sup>rd</sup> December is the International Day for People with Disability. Alan first met Joel when he noticed a guide dog in harness in the yard of Joel's father's business yard. Alan spoke to Joel's dad about the Shine Awards, and Joel became one of last year's Shine awards nominees.

Joel told us that he is 21 years old and was born with a rare eye disease. He had a cornea graft at the tender age of two weeks. Joel has very little vision. His left eye sees only shapes, shades and light while with his right eye he can see detail from a half to a metre distance.

Joel attended Koorringal High School and left school to commence work in the family Wrecking Business after Year 10. Art has become one of his key interests.

Joel found a site online about Visual Arts. He passed around a book of his art work which is absolutely amazing. It consists of pencil drawings done over the past 4 or 5 years.

He has taken up painting in the last two years and is self-taught. He exhibits his work at Rabbit Book Shop. Joel enjoys lawn bowls at the RSL Club and has participated in the Championships for People with Disabilities at Port Macquarie and also in New Zealand. Four or five years ago Joel received the Junior Championship award in his first year of go-carting.

He has had his beautiful Guide Dog, Nicky, for almost three years and indicated that Nicky has helped him gain independence. He now lives out of home with his sister.

Graeme Callander gave the vote of thanks to Joel saying that for the first time he was lost for words. He presented Joel with the usual certificate stating that we would immunize 10 children against polio in his name.



## **Our Next Meeting**

**This Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December** our speaker via Zoom, will be our **new District Governor Michael Moore**, who will no doubt tell us about the challenges involved in merging and leading a huge new Rotary District 9705 'about the size of England', extending 'from the outback to the ocean', comprising 83 clubs with 2300 members; and share his vision for the newly merged entity.



## ***DECEMBER IS ROTARY DISEASE PREVENTION & TREATMENT MONTH: -***

Continuing on from the last week's edition,

### **HOW ROTARY MAKES DISEASE PREVENTION HAPPEN: -**

The Rotary organisation educate and equip communities to stop the spread of life-threatening diseases. Rotary members have hundreds of health projects underway around the world at any given time. The RI website contains an article by Ryan Hyland (produced by Miriam Doan) detailing how Pakistan and Rotary are cutting through a whirl of migrating families and cultural barriers to turn what was 'a badge of shame' into a model for disease eradication.

To 'set the scene' - at a busy toll plaza in Kohat, Pakistan, a three-member vaccination team is working fast. Outfitted in blue Rotary vests and flanked by armed military personnel, the vaccinators approach a white van as it pulls away from the scattered stream of traffic, cars rattling east toward Islamabad and west to the nearby border with Afghanistan.

One worker leans toward the driver to ask a question as another reaches into a cooler to prepare the vaccine. Among the crush of passengers in the van, they identify one child who has not yet been vaccinated. There is no time for second-guessing. There is not even enough room for the boy to crawl toward the front of the vehicle or through one of the doors; a relative must hand the young child to the vaccinators through one of the rear windows.



He is quickly inoculated with two drops of oral polio vaccine, and his 'pinkie' finger is stained with purple ink to indicate that he's received his dose. He cries as the vaccinator hurriedly passes him back through the window. The van speeds off, fading back into the dizzying hum of traffic, as the vaccinators look for the next car and child.

This scene plays out thousands of times a day at transit posts like this one — makeshift vaccination clinics set up at bus stops, border crossings, army posts, and police checkpoints across the country in an effort to reach children who are on the move.

Follow this link for the complete report: [-https://www.rotary.org/en/new-polio-strategy-working-pakistan](https://www.rotary.org/en/new-polio-strategy-working-pakistan)

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

- **9<sup>th</sup> December 2020**      **Clontarf End-of-Year Awards – Botanic Gardens**
- **10<sup>th</sup> December 2020**      **District Governor Michael Moore on Zoom.**
- **17<sup>th</sup> December 2020**      **Club Christmas Function.**
- **19-21<sup>st</sup> March 2021**      **District Conference (Bathurst).**
- **12-16<sup>th</sup> June 2021**      **Rotary International Convention (Taipei).**

**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -**

(6<sup>th</sup> Dec – 12<sup>th</sup> Dec)



**Birthdays:** Gordon Saggors (7/12) & Carole Murray (7/12).

**Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil

**Wedding Anniversaries:** David & Fran Payne (7/12) & Nepal & Dipa Ghosh (12/12)

**THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK:**



**They're Back**



**Thanks Joel & Nicky**



**Joel's Art**



**Anniversarians**

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