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OF WAGGA WAGGA**

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| <p><b>RI President:</b> Holger Knaack<br/> <b>Dist. Gov 9705:</b> Michael Moore<br/> <b>Area Three Gov:</b> Martin Brown<br/> <b>Club President:</b> David Payne<br/> <b>Club Secretary:</b> Ellen Brasier</p> | <br>Rotary Opens Opportunities | <p><b>THE FOUR WAY TEST:</b><br/>         Of the things we think, say or do: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is it the truth?</li> <li>• Is it fair to all concerned?</li> <li>• Will it build goodwill &amp; better friendships?</li> <li>• Will it be beneficial to all concerned?</li> </ul> |
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**BULLETIN NO: 24.**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</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 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec. | Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> & 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec., & Jan. 7 <sup>th</sup>  |
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| <b>PROGRAMME:</b>         | Club Christmas Meeting         | <b>NO MEETING.</b>   |
| <b>ATTENDANCE:</b>        | Karel Bijker<br>Margaret Keys  | A Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all from your Bulletin Committee. (Next bulletin 10 <sup>th</sup> January) |
| <b>GREETER:</b>           | Not Required                   | Club Weekly Meetings Resume  |
| <b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b> | David Cannon                   | 14 <sup>th</sup> January 2021.   |
| <b>FINES-MASTER:</b>      | Bruce Barber                   |  |
| <b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b> | Not Required                   |  |
| <b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>    | Not Required                   |  |
| <b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b> | Vicky Donoghue                 |  |
| <b>C'TTEE MEETINGS:</b>   | 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***

Our meeting opened at 6.30 pm with 32 of our 46 members in attendance – 70%. President David Payne was an apology. Immediate Past President David Friedlieb conducted the meeting in his stead. Altogether there were 12 apologies. Tonight's Guest Speaker, District Governor Michael Moore (District 9705), would be addressing us via Zoom from Canberra. David Kennedy was busy dealing with the technical issues to assist punctual Guest Speaker commencement at 7.15 pm



### ***Reports***

- **Vida Smart** reported that 13 members had attended the Clontarf BBQ functions:- on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> at the Indoor Sports Centre, and then at the Clontarf Presentation Evening at the Music Bowl on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>.
- **Graham Gorrel** reports having heard from Elizabeth McDonald, wife of our past member David McDonald, that David died about five months ago from cancer (melanoma in the left leg). He fought it for eight years, and played golf until the very late stages. David & Elizabeth ran the Prince of Wales Motor Inn in Wagga. David was formerly a member of Ashburton Rotary Club in New Zealand which runs a Bookarama event similar to our Book Fair, and he was helpful in providing some tables and other gear when we first set up our book sorting room, including a huge round table top which we used for many years.



### ***Finesmaster***

**Peter Smart** was our Fines Master for the evening. (Good to have him back!) After dealing with Raffle winner, Margaret Keys, and those with Birthdays and Anniversaries, Peter focused on our Zooming DG in Canberra. Peter thought it appropriate to “zoom in” on any offenders who have a **double letters** in their surnames:- Rotary District 9705 a double **OO** for DG Michael Moore, or a double **R**:- Mike Murray, Peter Murray; or a double **N** for David Cannon, or a double **G** for Gordon Saggars, or a double **E** for Peter Veerhuis or a double **S** for Philip Cross. Anyone who has taken part in recent Zoom sessions were fined – as were all those who had **exceeded the 10 kph speed limit** as they **zoomed** into the Golf Club precincts this evening! Many paid up!



### ***Short & Sweet.***

**Philip Cross** used this opportunity to provide further information about Rotary Foundation matters. He thanked the Club's Centurion members for donating \$4,500 in this financial year. His records show that our Club has been responsible for donating the equivalent of almost US\$180,000 over many years! Philip also advised that past member Glendyn Groves has made ongoing donations as a “Centurion”, exceeding US \$1,000. For that, Glendyn is recognised as a Paul Harris fellow. President David Payne is shown congratulating Glendyn in the photo.



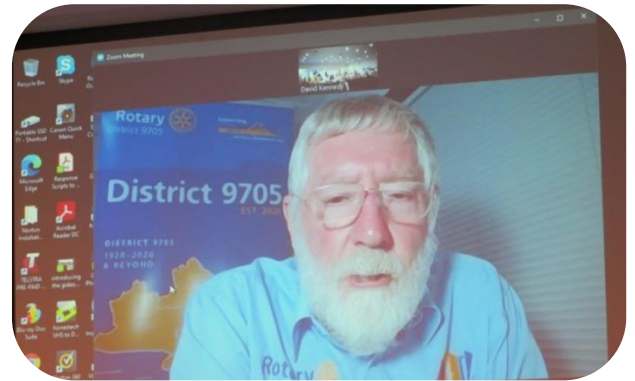
## Guest Speaker



By 7.15pm the experts (bless them) had sorted out the technical issues. DG Michael Moore could hear us and we could hear him. He was introduced by Past President Elaine Almond who detailed Michael's background in Rotary, his family's involvement with Youth Exchange, the Science Forum, Rotary Youth Leadership and Citizenship, his involvement the World Federation of Public Health. Michael served as an Independent Member to the first ACT Legislative Assembly from 1989 to 2001.

DG Michael's extensive speech acknowledged our Club's contributions to Youth, to our Community including the Book Fair, the Shine Awards, Darkness to Light, the Peace Communities, support of the Rotary Foundation; and our involvement in working towards greater co-operation between the various Wagga Rotary Clubs and other Service Clubs in our growing City.

He noted the huge impact of Rotary volunteers world- wide - 47 million hours annually – and Rotary's triumph in the fight against polio. Michael expressed his gratitude to all those associated with the Transition Team for their efforts in merging the two former districts, and noted the opportunities to be opened through clubs working together in the merged district 9705 , eg the current Membership Seminar Series, the Peace Poles initiative etc. The new district is launched as we mark 100 years of Rotary in Australia in 2021, a significant milestone.



Members were given the opportunity to ask questions of DG Michael. He was thanked by Ellen Brasier and by acclamation of members.

## Our Next Meeting

**This Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December** is the Club Christmas Party. Graeme Callander checked the expected attendance numbers and advised that the cost of the Christmas function will be **\$40.00 per person** for this special evening. Start time is as usual – **6 for 6.30 pm**. Wear your Christmas gear, ready for some fun, as we farewell a less than lovable year. **Elaine Almond also called for volunteers to help with preparations and decorations at 5pm Thursday.**

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

- **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: -** 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – 10<sup>th</sup> Jan 2021

**Birthdays:** Bryan Short (14/12), Allan Duffus (27/12), Bruce Barber (30/12), Neil Hilpern (8/1), Lyndal Seymour (9/1)

**Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil

**Wedding Anniversaries:** David & Josephine Cannon (22/12), David & Ruth Kennedy (31/12), Peter & Joan Veerhuis (8/1), Bruce & Ruth Barber (2/1)



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



**Eyes up - the zoom pose**

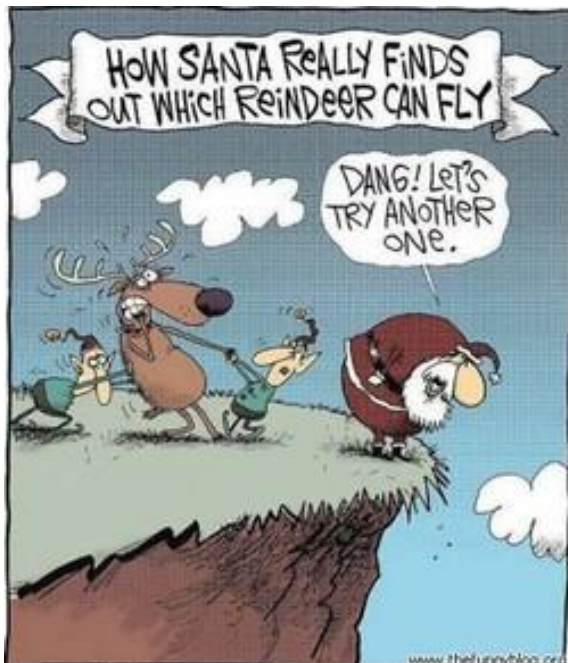


**Eyes down**



**Bless me Father Don, for I can't help being Smart**

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'T WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS, AND ALL THROUGH THE HOUSE, NOT A CREATURE WAS STIRRING, NOT EVEN A ...



**Q: If 2020 was a drink, what would it be?**

**A: Colonoscopy prep**

Travel plans in 2020 be like:

Expectations:



Reality:



Merry



Christmas

