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THE FOUR WAY TEST:

Of the things we

think, say or do: -

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill & better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

BULLETIN NO: 48

Thursday 18th June, 2020.

JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP 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:	25 th June	2 nd July	9 th July
PROGRAMME:	CHANGE-OVER MEETING	SOCIAL EVENING At Country Club	TBA. At Country Club
ATTENDANCE:	See	Karel Bijker Don Pembleton	Karel Bijker Bruce Barber
GREETER:	arrangements	Marion Moran	Mike Murray
SHORT & SWEET:	inside	Peter Murray	Ellen Brasier
FINES-MASTER:		Nepal Ghosh	John Heazlewood
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:		David Payne	Paul Galloway
VOTE OF THANKS:		N/R	Gordon Sagers
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Philip Cross	Gerry Page	Ellen Brasier

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

FROM
2ND JULY
MEETING

If you can't attend a meeting, please lodge your apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE on 6922 6444 by 2.30 pm Wednesday (or pre-record it in the apology book provided at the meeting attendance table – **IN BLOCK LETTERS**).

No guests at present

MEETING REPORT: -

- 33 of our 44 financial members (75%) attended the Zoom meeting at 6 for 6.30 pm Thursday night. (PDG Gary Roberts was the guest of Alan Lean).and were welcomed by President David Friedlieb (still basking in the warmth of the AFL draw from the previous week) Apologies from. David Cannon, Mary Ann Kelly, Peter Murray and Gordon Saggars.
- President David thanked members who prepared reports for the Annual Changeover Booklet - which has now been completed by Graeme Callander. Thank you Graeme.
- **It is expected that we will be able return to the Country Club for our first physical meeting on Thursday 2 July 2020. It will be a social evening, with new President David Payne addressing us about his year, finalising club committees etc. Apologies for that meeting and subsequent ones should be made to the Country Club please as we did before.**
- Terry Mecham thanked the members who had participated in providing casseroles and sweets to Lilier Lodge. It was much appreciated by Margaret from Lilier and we are all looking forward to when we can be somewhat back to normal, and be much more sociable in our interaction.

NEXT MEETING: -

Venue 1. Incoming President David Payne confirmed that our informal **Changeover meeting** involving the Club Boards, will take place this coming Thursday night 25th June 2020. **(5.30 for 6.30 pm)**. It has to be restricted to 20 persons - with social distancing. and will be held at the home of Vicky Donoghue, 8 Glenoak Drive Springvale. **Directions** - Drive south on Holbrook Road - turn right at Indigo Drive and left to Vicky Donoghue's home at 8 Glenoak Drive



David indicates that they will partake of the main course generously prepared by Vicky and friends, can then get the zoom meeting underway at 7:00pm with the rest of the members, and the dessert course can follow afterwards.

The zoom segment will be simple, Presidential changeover, introduce new board and present pins etc

For anyone with specific food needs e.g. allergies, vegetarian, etc., please let Vicky know by Monday (0407 586 186, Vicky.donoghue@yahoo.com.au). Dress: Smart Casual .Please byo drinks.

Thanks to Phil Cross who has volunteered to be the Bulletin reporter for the evening. Thanks to Vicky, Ellen and Fran for catering, and a very big thanks to Vicky Donoghue for volunteering her home.

Venue 2. Meanwhile, Paul and Judy Galloway have made their home at **41 Plumpton Road** available for a **BBQ** led by Terry Mecham and Tony Hutchinson - **at 6 for 6.30 pm, for those who are not Board members. Let Paul know if you are attending and didn't signify in the count at Zoom.** There will be a zoom connection to the other meeting from 7pm. Thank you to Paul and Judy for making their home available!



SHORT & SWEET

Brad Bland talked about his drive the previous day from Wagga to Tongala and return and what a difference it makes to the landscape if you can just add water. The season looks much better than the last two years and with crops up all the way. There are some areas that are not as good but on the whole the farming communities would have to be happy with the season they have. He also had to just mention that Richmond were just not good enough to win in the drawn game with Collingwood and that both team had their chances.



FINESMASTER

Barry Francis ran a great session over the wire with some wacky newspaper headlines and intriguing all with his spooky 'urban legend' about the amazing coincidences between aspects of the lives of two US Presidents, Kennedy and Lincoln. Intrigued? Go to:-

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lincoln%E2%80%93Kennedy_coincidences_urban_legend



The House I Lived in.

Paul Galloway reminisced about living at 48 Coleman St. from 1959 to 1971. Bought from Dr Downie and sold to Brian Kennedy, Manager at Walsh and Blair, the house had its own tennis court and billiard room and was considered flash in its day – still looks pretty good to me!



Gerry's 80th Birthday

Young Gerry turning 80! It's come as quite a blow

Good old 1940 didn't seem that long ago

Over the years there's been joshing that Pages endure by the sheaf
Like 'When are you gunna turn over a new leaf '
Of course that's apart from the jokes about Gerry, say
There's links drawn with 'Tom', or "things kept under the bed'. Eh!



A bit of a bookworm — That's been pretty clear
There's been book, book, book, books all down through the years
But then, when you think, I guess it was fate eh
With a mater from Book Book and a Page for a pater

At Rotary, a thousand speakers have been 'heard'
The word for some, perhaps, might be - 'endured'
A thousand dinners (many with fruit salad) eaten
A hundred thousand jokes repeat en

At this stage of your life, you can get philosophical
And see things more clearly, it all seems more logical
Now - seen from the distance - **8zero** seemed old
But now that I'm there, the truth can be told
I can now see the answer to that ancient riddle
There's still a good tune played on a 80 year old fiddle



At the Zoom, President David highlighted your editor's significant birthday, and Neil Hilpern gave a very nice toast to mark the occasion, noting some of my inputs to the club over 36 years – it's been a big part of my life , and a very worthwhile one. I wasn't able to respond on the zoom, being only able to watch & listen, so I'll take this opportunity to say thanks very much for the good wishes from club members, including some over-eighties folk who welcomed me into their exclusive club. We celebrated also with a special afternoon tea at the Tuesday Book Sort.



FROM OUR PAST –

Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga 90th Jubilee 1930 - 2020

A history of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga prepared for the 50th Anniversary brochure indicates that earliest known community activities of the new Rotary Club were concerned with the settlement of victims of the great depression. Further research opens up a snapshot of some early Wagga history, and throws more light on the way in which the club was involved.

At that time, many people were forced into makeshift shelter in the Wiradjuri Reserve area of Wagga Wagga. Reports from the Daily Advertiser indicate that a shanty town, or fringe camp, had emerged there earlier in the 1900s. Various known locally as Tent Town and later, Tin Town, it grew, reaching its peak in the 1930s, when there were 63 structures, occupied by families aboriginal and non-aboriginal, dependent on government rations during the Great Depression, many living in atrocious conditions. It was a far from salubrious location, adjoining the then Wagga Garbage Tip and Saleyards.

Over the years the public fortunes of Tent Town attracted much debate, with some citizens calling for 'a more humane approach to the problem of affordable housing for the low paid or unemployed worker, the pensioner, and families, and Indigenous persons and families'. The first steps towards resolution of the problem were taken when the Council proposed a scheme aimed at re-housing many of the residents on blocks at North Wagga and Gumly. The service clubs were invited to participate, with the Daily Advertiser recording that 'the members of the Rotary Club, Apexians and Legacy were addressed and warm approval gained to the proposals'. (Wagga Apex launched on 30 July 1932). Council provided 29 blocks of land, 100 Pounds was to be advanced to each block-holder to help with cost of house erection, service clubs undertook to raise sufficient funds to pay for electric light and water connection, and for an expert to cut the timbers. Working bees were to be held to provide labour for erection of the houses. It is recorded that a carnival was held as a fund-raiser.

It appears that by 1942 only 13 residents remained at Tin Town, and 'it was hoped that an effective housing scheme be set up to prevent the re-establishment of another river-bend community in the future'. It is suggested however that people continued to live in the settlement until the 1950s. (More Tin Town stories can be heard on the sound devices along the Marrambidya Wetlands walk – a great place to visit for exercise)

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

- ◆ **24th June 2020** **Koorinal Rotary Club Changeover – Club Members only**
- ◆ **25th June 2020** **Wagga Rotary Changeover Meeting (Details Above).**
- ◆ **30th June 2020** **Wollundry Rotary Club Changeover – Club Members only**
- ◆ **1st July 2020** **District Changeover (on ZOOM) – 5:30 Start.**
- ◆ **17/18th October 2020** **Wagga Rotary Club – Book Fair.**
- ◆ **3rd December 2020** **Shine Awards.**

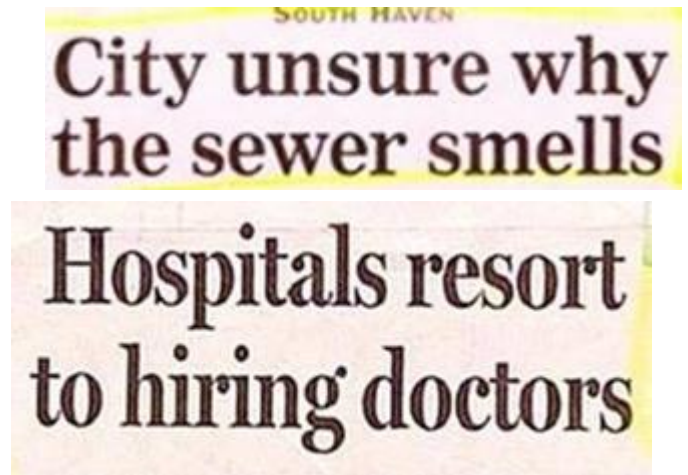
BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(21st Jun – 27th Jun)

- Birthdays:** Peter Chenoweth (24/06).
- Rotary Anniversaries:** Alan Lean (26/06/1986).
- Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil.



Barry's 'Never get rid of newspapers' Humour



THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: - (Thanks to Don P.)

