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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: 17**

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2019.**

**OCTOBER IS ROTARY ECONOMIC & 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:	TUESDAY 29th Oct.	Thursday 7th Nov.	Thursday 14th Nov.
PROGRAMME:	Combined Meeting with Coolamon & Junee Clubs AT COOLAMON	Social Night	Brian Andrews
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Brad Bland	Karel Bijker Vida Smart	Karel Bijker Howard Mendel
GREETER:	N/R	David Payne	David Wynne
SHORT & SWEET:	N/R	Rajinder Singh	David Cannon
FINES-MASTER:	N/R	Vicky Donoghue	Terry Mecham
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	N/R	N/R	Barry Francis
VOTE OF THANKS:	N/R	N/R	David Payne
BULLETIN REPORTER:	David Payne	Peter Veerhuis	Kennedy, David

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

**Don't forget!**

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

## MEETING REPORT: -

**ATTENDANCE:** 30 members were present for a 70% attendance. Jan Jones was a guest of David and partners were Meryl Cross, Catherine Friedlieb and Fran Mecham. 13 Apologies were recorded.

## MEETING NOTES

- **Rotary Shine Awards** will be held on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2019. Members are encouraged to continue to look in the community for nominations for both Employers and Employees.
- **Clontarf Breakfasts.** Vida reported that no members had attended these Breakfasts for some time, and they have emphasised the value of such visits to the boys. Vida has proposed that attendance should in future be once a month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of each month with a representation of 4 or 5 members.

**Clontarf** also invites any of our members who are free, to join the boys, staff and teachers to celebrate the achievements of the Academy in 2019 at their **End of Year Celebration** to be held Tuesday 12th November 2019, 6.00pm - 7.00pm at the Mt. Austin High School Hall. This club will run the Barbeque.

**Please RSVP by 8th November to Dane Kennedy** on 0499 388 763 or [dane.kennedy19@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:dane.kennedy19@det.nsw.edu.au)

- **Tutuala** Paul Galloway updated us on the upcoming trip by himself, Gordon Saggars and David Friedlieb in November to check on the Pre-School and to investigate possible future tasks. They are also experiencing dry weather over there and this has been aggravated by the failure of the pump on the well. They are taking one of Howard Mendel's devices to see how it operates there.

They will be meeting again with the Government's Director of Education, who has expressed a wish for them to look at other Pre-Schools in need of assistance



## SHORT AND SWEET:

David Wynne observed that as you get older you visit a Doctor more frequently and that he has had had 4 different G.P.'s in the past few years whereas previously he had 1 for about 25 years.

He gets along very well with his present G.P. and recently complained to him about lethargy; "well" he said "the clutch in your backside must be broken" "What do you mean" asked David "You can't get your ass into gear!" David suggested that he could avoid stress by ignoring the Doctor's Bill.



## FINESMASTER:

Lyndal Seymour conducted her first fines session and we were sked to be gentle with her, but the admonition was quite unnecessary as she handled the task with great aplomb. If you can handle a mob of kids at Gymnastics a Rotary address should be a doddle. She went from table to table with a selection of riddles with a single fine for a right answer and a double for a wrong answer. Samples were 'Why can't you see elephants hiding in trees? Because they are so good at it. What do you call a fake noodle? An Impasta. A Coffee filed a Police Report. It got Mugged! Altogether a light-hearted and amusing interlude.



## **PAUL HARRIS AWARD**

David called Peter Veerhuis to the microphone to carry out a presentation. He commenced with a statement that we were going to be treated to a number of stories about Terry Mecham which we may never have heard before. The story starts in 1963 when Terry was working in Hay on his first country posting as a Survey Draftsman with the Lands Department. He was sharing a flat with a high school teacher and they periodically drove home to Sydney together.

On one of these trips he was introduced to his friend's sister Fran and three years later they were married! Peter's tale follows the family all around NSW in various postings and describes the family highs and lows and Terry's involvement with Service Clubs at each posting with Fran's involvement and support at every stage. She combined managing the household with employment, frequently in Medical Practices, all along the way, Terry writes" through all this Fran kept me at my best and raised our family. She is an amazing lady, and I love her deeply.

Fran has always stood side by side with Terry, not least when our Rotary Club was looking for stalwarts to man the BBQ and to help provide the goodies. I now call on Terry to escort Fran to the Lectern as we proceed to award Fran Mecham with Rotary's Highest Honour - The Rotary Paul Harris Fellowship!

Fran was overcome with emotion and took a while to gather herself and proceed to accept the award.

Peter is to be congratulated on cunningly wording his presentation in such a way that, other than those in the know, the audience were unaware of the outcome of the oration. This would have taken place at our Changeover, but Terry & Fran were travelling around the country in their new caravan at the time.



## **RUBY COMPANION FOR ROTARY HEALTH.**

We were pleased to welcome to the meeting local resident Jan Jones who made a very generous donation to Rotary Health earlier this year, and in recognition of this gift Rotary International bestowed the honour of *Ruby Companion for Rotary Health* on Jan.

Jan is a longstanding client of David Friedlieb, and in discussion on avenues to allocate funds this very worthwhile cause was chosen.



## **PROGRAM - HATS FOR MENTAL HEALTH**

There was a great display of hats worn and David asked each table to nominate one hat wearer to tell of the significance of his apparel. Some of these were John Heazlewood wore a Cap from Walhalla Victoria which was once a mining town of 5000 and now has a population of 20. Victor Trumper apparently batted at a local cricket match there, Alan Lean wore a German Polizie Banie part of several items of police clothing he was given on a visit to a Police Station (Social not Criminal occasion)

The adjudged winner was David Cannon who wore a Peruvian Shaman's woven headpiece acquired by Josephine when they were part of a group of Psychiatrists touring South America. (Pic: Beware of de Shaman)



## **NEXT MEETING: -**

**This TUESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> Oct. 6.30p for 7pm we will have a Combined Meeting with Coolamon & Junee Clubs . This will be held AT COOLAMON Details of the location:**

The venue is Coolamon Sports and Recreation Club . Lewis Street. Ph 69273178 The address for the venue is Coolamon Sport and Recreation Club, Lewis Street North, Coolamon. So through the round- about over the railway line , first turn right , go down to the third street on the left, turn left into Lewis st north and the club is on the right about 200 meters. Please advise them by phone of any Dietary Requirements.

**Club members who were not at the last meeting and intend to go to Coolamon please phone David Cannon on 0419 216 955**

**Those who were at the meeting and indicated they would attend, and now will not. Please phone the Coolamon Club.**

**NO MEETING ON THURSDAY**

## **WORLD POLIO DAY 24<sup>TH</sup> October 2019**

Rotary and its partners in the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) (GPEI) are celebrating a major milestone this World Polio Day: confirmation that a second type of the wild poliovirus has been eradicated - a significant step toward the ultimate goal of a polio-free world. [Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus](#), director-general of the World Health Organization (WHO), announced the historic feat in a video address during Rotary's Global Online Update on 24 October.

He said an independent commission of health experts certified the global eradication of the type 3 strain, which hasn't been detected anywhere in the world since Nigeria identified a case of polio that it caused in November 2012. The type 2 strain was certified as eradicated in 2015. "That leaves just wild poliovirus type 1," Tedros said. He also commended Rotary's long fight against polio. "Everything you [Rotary] have done has brought us to the brink of a polio-free world."

Tedros balanced the good news with a note of caution, saying that the biggest enemy of global eradication is complacency. He encouraged Rotary members to redouble their efforts. "We must stay the course.

Together, we can make sure the children of the future only learn about polio in history books." "If we stopped now, the virus would resurge and

could once again cause more than 200,000 new cases every year," said Tedros. "We must stay the course.

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

- **28th Nov. 2019** Wagga Rotary – Shine Awards.
- **29<sup>th</sup> November 2019** Disability Dance Party BBQ from 4pm
- **29<sup>th</sup> Nov. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec.** **RYPEN**
- **12<sup>th</sup> December 2019** Wagga Rotary Christmas Party
- **11-17th January 2020** **RYLA**
- **15-16th Feb. 2020** PETS Training & Dinner - Goulburn.
- **4th Mar. 20** Catering At Lilier Lodge
- **20-22nd Mar. 20** Final D9700 Conference (Temora).
- **2nd – 3rd May.20** Wagga Rotary **BOOK FAIR.**
- **3rd Jun. 20** Catering At Lilier Lodge
- **6-10th June 20** Rotary [International Convention](#) – Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.



## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(3rd Nov – 9th Nov.)

Birthdays: Margaret KEYS 7/11

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil



## THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK:

