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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: 16

Thursday 17th 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:	Thursday 24 th Oct.	TUESDAY 29 th Oct.	Thursday 7 th Nov.
PROGRAMME:	Sporting Attire/Hat Night For Mental Health.	Combined Meeting with Coolamon & Junee Clubs AT COOLAMON	Social Night
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Margaret Keys	Karel Bijker Neil Hilpern	Karel Bijker Vida Smart
GREETER:	Vida Smart	N/R	David Payne
SHORT & SWEET:	David Wynne	N/R	Rajinder Singh
FINES-MASTER:	Lyndall Seymour	N/R	Vicky Donoghue
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	N/R	N/R	N/R
VOTE OF THANKS:	N/R	N/R	N/R
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Neil Hilpern	David Payne	Ellen Brasier

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:

Thirty Two Members plus Honorary Member Ian Gibson were welcomed to our meeting by President David Friedlieb. This represents 71% of our membership. In addition, David welcomed Carole Murray, Guest of Mike Murray, Sally Lean, Guest of Alan Lean, Joan Page, Guest of Gerry Page, Haris Omar and his wife Saba Nabi, (and their daughter) guests of David Kennedy, and Debbie Wynne, Andrew and Kiera Barnes, Guests of David Wynne. (David's Wife, Daughter and Son-in-Law).

The normal invocation and toast were followed by a toast to the Wallabies.

Eleven apologies were recorded, including one from Peter Veerhuis. Both he and Joan are on the sick list at present – best wishes for a speedy recovery to them and any others. Graham Callander gave an update on **Alf Barzen** - had some infections in the sites of skin lesions that were removed, but he is doing much better now, and hopes to be able to attend soon..

MEETING NOTES

- President David attended the District 9700AGM in Young. The District Merger occurring next July 2020 was among matters discussed
- A reminder was given about **volunteers required** for a Prostate Research Project conducted by a Sydney University PhD Student. Men aged 24-69 yrs who can complete a 2 Hr Interview. Contact Elaine Almond if Interested.
- **Rotary Shine Awards** will be held on 28th November 2019. Members are encouraged to continue to look in the community for nominations for both Employers and Employees.
- President David read out a heartfelt **Letter of Appreciation** to the club from Laurie Fromholz's family thanking everyone for the fellowship and support of Laurie over recent years, and more recently when he was in hospital. There was also a special thank you for the Rotary Guard of Honour at his funeral, which was much appreciated by his family. Memorial bookmarks were given out to each club member.
- Numbers were finalised for the BBQ at Lake Albert, for the Diabetes Foundation, Sunday 20th October 2019. Mary Ann Kelly is in charge of the event.
- President David asked for a Show of Hands of who would be able to attend a **Combined Rotary Meeting in Coolamon on Tuesday 29th October 2019**-in lieu of the Thursday meeting that week- with Coolamon and Junee Rotary Clubs. There was a good response, so that meeting will be organised. Confirmation next week.
- President David thanked those club members who responded to the survey regarding the **Youth Exchange proposal**. The Board Members will discuss the results at the Board Meeting to be held later, then he will address the club next week with the results.
- **The Raffle** was won by Peter Smart, but since he was at the bar ordering drinks, oblivious to his luck, Vida stepped in, and collected his prize on his behalf 😊



SHORT AND SWEET:

Allan Duffus told us a little about his life. Born in 1938, he left school at age 15yrs and worked the next 20yrs on a farm. In 1973, he leased the farm, moved to Wagga and commenced a Business Degree at what is now Charles Sturt University. (RCAE as it was then known). His wife Marnie was an integral part of his study, keeping 'bread on the table', typing his assignments etc).. He graduated in 1978 with Distinction. After attaining another degree at New England University, Allan worked for CSU in their Overseas Studies area, and travelled extensively every year to Hong King, China and Kuala Lumpur conducting classes.



In 1989 he went to Colorado as a visiting Professor at Mesa State University, which he and his family really enjoyed. Allan retired in 2000, though continued working under contract for another 2 years. He has 6 Children, and 12 Grandchildren, and is eagerly awaiting Great-Grandchildren.

FINESMASTER:

Gerry Page got the usual folk for birthdays, anniversaries, raffle winning etc. and, since the theme of this week is a Music Quiz, Gerry fined all the music makers. He then asked if anyone knew what you get when you drop a piano down a mine shaft, which Vicki knew was A Flat Miner, pointed out the reason a piano lid is hard to open - because the keys are inside, Finishing Up, he recounted how Graham Russell apparently met someone at the Book Fair who lost the heel on her shoe, and her song was "You picked a fine time to leave me Loose Heel"

PROGRAM/ The Mike Murray Music Quiz :

Mike did a grand job with the Music Quiz. Each table had a Sheet of questions to keep the brain cells ticking over. There was a definite Australian theme to the questions, but not to the exclusion of overseas artists. Lots of different questions: original names of artists, original singers of songs, theme songs, etc

Most music categories were covered, though Mike assured us that Classical music was out, since last time he put three classical music questions in, no one answered the questions correctly, so he took the hint, and left classical music out this time.

At 7.15pm, Mike ran through the answers to the first section, then played a selection of music, which required knowledge of the name of the artist AND the name of the song. There were bonus points available for those Rotarians with knowledge beyond the norm.

The overall winners of the Music Quiz was the table with the following music buffs; Graham Russell, Alan Lean, Lyndal Seymour, Sally Lean, Bruce Barber and Gordon Saggars. Their prize was a bag of little boxes of Smarties, which they graciously shared with those that came second, the Ladies Table.

Thanks to Mike for providing a great nights entertainment.

NEXT MEETING: -

This Thursday 24th October will be a Sporting Attire/Hat Night For Mental Health. Come along in your quirkiest gear – there will be a judging! Bring your Partner on what has traditionally been a fun night. It's also World Polio Day, so expect an update on progress.

The following week, we will have a Combined Meeting with Coolamon & Juneec Clubs . This will be held AT COOLAMON on TUESDAY of that week, 29th Oct. Details of the location/ car pooling possibilities etc will be in next week's bulletin



SPECIAL REPORT – HOWARD MENDEL’S WATER PROJECT

Last week, we listened to a ‘Short & Sweet’ presentation by Bryan Short. To refresh your memory, Bryan provided an update on Howard Mendel’s activities in developing a water pumping and filtration system to benefit communities that cannot enjoy the safe, potable water that we take for granted.

Howard is a semi-retired engineer with extensive experience in pumping and filtration systems. Following a successful career in Melbourne, he relocated to Wagga for family reasons and joined Wagga Rotary Club. Howard has designed a cost-effective plant that can be used to provide potable water for Australian remote indigenous settlements as well as ‘third-world’ communities.

The system was originally tested in Graham Russell’s dam and is now ‘up and running’ at the indigenous settlement of Dhupuwamirri, in Arnhem Land (NT). If you are not familiar with Dhupuwamirri, it is not surprising – as it is a couple of hundred kilometres from anywhere else with which you are probably not familiar. The settlement is on a billabong where running water in the wet season is reasonably safe – however, in the dry season the population of infectious microorganisms grows exponentially. The absence of potable water during the dry season is having a marked effect on the inhabitants, especially the children. Water processed through Howard’s plant should ensure that they can celebrate more birthdays, and stay healthier for longer.



The module is installed below an elevated water tank that is filled by an electric, submersible pump through the line (see picture). Raw water in the elevated tank provides pressure to the module for filtering and also for charging the red pressure tank to back-flush the filter. This arrangement removes the need for a filter pump.

A similar system is currently under consideration for Tutuala (Timor Leste) where our Rotary Club was instrumental in the construction of a Pre-School building a few years ago. The only difference being that the tower will not be required as there are natural hills in Timor Leste. Subsequently, Howard intends to expand further into PNG and Nepal through his Rotary and other contacts.

Howard is currently in discussions with Engineers Without Borders, Australia, an organisation that has extensive representation throughout the ‘third world’. The objective is to seek their input and assistance, initially in Timor Leste. It is highly desirable to have engineering support in the relevant regions.

In commissioning the Dhupuwamirri project, Howard has expressed his appreciation for support received from: -

The Laynhapuy Homelands Aboriginal Corporation (Nhulunby, NT),

Consulting engineer, Geoff Harris who supervised the project,

The Rotary organisation mainly in Wagga Wagga and Perth,
Geoff Barker (Architect) and

Ron Crouch Transport (Wagga) and their contact company based in Sydney.

We look forward to learning of the further developments with these worthwhile projects. (Don Pembleton Oct 2019)

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

- 24th Oct. 2019 World Polio Day.
- 28th Nov. 2019 Wagga Rotary – Shine Awards.
- 29th November 2019 Disability Dance Party BBQ from 4pm
- **December 2019** **Wagga Rotary Christmas Party**
- 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: -

(27th Oct – 2nd Nov.)

Birthdays: Josephine Cannon (27/10).
Rotary Anniversaries: Tony Hutchinson (1/11/1995).
Wedding Anniversaries: Nil.



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Game of Tones?



Forget 'I Spy'... here's a Road Trip Game I came across, substituting song lyrics with place names.

A few examples:

'Moruya - I've just met a girl named Moruya'

'Sweet Adelong; good times never seemed so good'

'Yass sir, that's my baby, Noosa I don't mean maybe; Yass sir, that's my baby now'

'Kambah Me Love,, Everybody tells me so'

'Ooh Ee Oo Aa Aa Ting Tang Wagga Wagga Bing Bang'

'In Can berra, Can berra – I know it sounds a bit bizarre, but in Canberra that's how conditions are'. (As we well know)

'Rule Bethungra , Bethungra Rules the Waves, Bethungrans Never Ever shall be slaves'
(Or in Alleluia mode) 'Yarrrrr awonga! Yarrawonga! Yarrawonga!'

'Pardon me boy – Is that the Cootamundra Choo Choo '-

Yes heaps of fun lie in store with this useful road trip game.

Overall, Song titles are fascinating - for example the fact that there's a *Highway To Hell* but only a *Stairway To Heaven* says a lot about anticipated traffic numbers.

THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



David Kennedy's Guests



The Wynne Crew –unfortunately not the Winning Crew



The Winners



Sally Lean with Bruce B.



Joan and Carole