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**BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA Inc. - CHARTERED 1930**

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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: 28**

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.**

**FEBRUARY IS ROTARY PEACE & CONFLICT RESOLUTION 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 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> February
<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	Melanie Johnson Services NSW Support for Living Expenses.	Margaret Perrin Cambodian Children's Support Project	<b>BOOK SORTING</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Karel Bijker Rajinder Singh	Karel Bijker Peter Murray	Karel Bijker
<b>GREETER:</b>	John Studdert	Mike Murray	Not Required
<b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b>	Alok Sharma	Tony Hutchinson	Not Required
<b>FINES-MASTER:</b>	David Cannon	Alan Lean	Not Required
<b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b>	Graeme Callander	John Studdert	Not Required
<b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>	Nepal Ghosh	Philip Cross	Not Required
<b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b>	David Payne	Ellen Brasier	David Kennedy

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: -

President David welcomed a great roll-up of members to this meeting. After the Rotary Invocation, members raised their glasses to 'Rotary and Australia' and to our firefighters.

### Attendance.

There were 39 in attendance and only 5 apologies: - Allan Duffus, Brad Bland, David Canon, Marion Moran & Mike Murray.

### Administration Matters.

The following matters were raised: -

- **Cashless Payment** at the door was available tonight. Karel received some tutoring from Nepal and the system seemed to work quite efficiently. The system is now open to all.
- From last week's **Board Meeting**: -
  - a) Our Club has received \$1500 from Wollundry Rotary Club in recognition of the contribution our members made to the **Gears & Beers Festival**.
  - b) Ellen Brasier has volunteered to be our club's representative on the **Driver Simulator** working group.
  - c) Bushfire response. It has been suggested that our Club travel to **Tumbarumba** for a weekend as a way of supporting the economy of that community. Paul Galloway has undertaken to investigate and enquire. A date in March was suggested – watch this space!
  - d) A **Shine Awards** debriefing meeting will be held next Thursday at 5.30 (prior to the dinner meeting). Members of the **Vocational Services Committee** are asked to attend. Also of note – the Daily Advertiser gave the awards another plug with an endearing story about recipient Celeste Jones this week.
  - e) **D9700 GSE Trip** – Brad Bland is searching for a suitable candidate for this program, the criteria being Wiradjuri person aged between 25 and 40. Do you have any suggestions?
  - f) **Public Image** – our new website is making progress. The working group for this project will meet on Thursday at 8:00 PM (following the dinner meeting).
  - g) National Youth Science Forum – it was resolved that the financial support our club provides to successful candidates will now be known as '**The Laurie Fromholtz Scholarship**'.
- Alok Sharma will be departing soon on his **Darkness to Light** mission to India.
- Rotary Foundation – it is still not too late to forward a **Centurion** donation (minimum \$100) to Nepal.
- March 12<sup>th</sup> has been designated as a '**Prospective Members Meeting**'. Members are encouraged to bring along guests who may be interested in joining our Club.

### Rotary Peace Awards.

Mary Ann Kelly reported that we are looking for a nominee for this award.....Time is running out. The nominations need to be lodged by Sunday (2<sup>nd</sup> February). Members are encouraged to urgently discuss with Mary Ann any potential nominees.



The event is being convened by Murrumbidgee Rotary Club this year. The venue this year will be the Riverina Playhouse (the date: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb at 11.00 AM). This new venue will eliminate the possibility of weather conditions interfering with the ceremony, and will also mean less work in setting up and cleaning up afterwards.

More information regarding our Club's input will follow as Mary Ann will attend another planning meeting in the near future.

### Short & Sweet.

Margaret Everett shared some stunning photos of the region around Karratha, where she spent some time during January.

Karratha was established in the late '60's to accommodate the workforce of the Hammersley Iron Mine, and more recently it services the petroleum and natural gas operations of the North West Shelf. It has excellent facilities which service the workforces of these two large industries – as well as the greater Pilbara region. The surrounding country and coastline are very scenic, and make this a destination worth considering for a visit.



### Raffle Winner.

Bryan Short was the lucky winner this week. Someone said he had given up drinking, but evidence suggested otherwise (see photo below)!

### Fines-Master Session.

Gordon Sagers entertained us all with a string of yarns and jokes for which Club members were only too happy to consign their coinage to the fines box.

### Key-Note Speaker.

Graham Russell capably introduced **Janine Mc Beath**, our Key-Note speaker for the evening.



Janine began by providing an insight into how all of her life experiences had led her to her current 'career'. Admitting that school 'wasn't for me', detailing her various jobs that all seemed to be at the same location, and making the transition to 'private employment agencies' after the demise of the CES were all important parts of her journey. She undertook a psychology degree as a mature age student, and continued to assist people in finding employment. The diagnosis of one of her grandchildren with mild autism at age 3 motivated her to find out everything she could about how to help people with disabilities lead their 'best life'. And this has

led to her being fully immersed in her current 'career'.

Janine's official title is 'Job Coach' with the NSW Dept of Education. What she does is work closely with students with all levels of disability (from mild to severe) to ensure that their vocational needs are met. Simply put, she works hard to prepare disabled students from years 9 to 12 for life in the workforce. 'Project Work-skills' is a 9 week program usually run for Year 9 students in which Janine introduces students to the skills needed to get and keep a job. This is followed by 'work placements' for students in years 10 to 12.

Janine's students come from Willan's Hill School, and the Support Units at Koorngal and Wagga Wagga High Schools.

She not only spends time preparing the students for work placements, but also works closely with employers who are willing to host the students for a placement. Her praise for the Wagga community and local businesses was abundant. Without the support and cooperation of employers, this program would fall flat. Her wish for each of her students is that they 'have a role and feel valued'. Her students are indeed fortunate that Janine is so passionate about what she does!

A vote of thanks was moved by Alan Lean.



## FEBRUARY IS ROTARY PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION MONTH: -



Rotary International invite us to reflect upon Peace & Conflict Resolution during the month of February. Globally, conflict is reported to have affected some 68 million people in the past year, with at least half of those being children. We must refuse to accept conflict as a way of life.

Rotary projects provide training that fosters understanding and provides communities with the skills to resolve conflicts. Instances of these will be summarised in subsequent issues of this Bulletin during the month of February.

On the local scene, the month culminates with the **Wagga Peace Ceremony** as detailed on page two above. This ceremony is the recognition of Wagga Wagga becoming the first declared International Peace City, an idea that was conceived in Wagga Wagga, in 1993 by Koorungal Rotarian Tony Quinlivan. The local Community Peace Monument was unveiled in the Victory Memorial Gardens precinct by PRIP Royce Abbey and the local Mayor of the day, Ald Pat Brassil. Subsequently, fifty-eight Peace Communities have been proclaimed in 17 countries around the globe.

## THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



*Lyndal explains the workings of the Book Fair Stock Collection Rosters.*



*Club Guest Janine selects the winning ticket.*



*And the Winner is - Bryan (again).*



*Alan proposes a Vote of Thanks.*

## BOOK FAIR ROSTER: -

As alluded in last week's Bulletin, in an attempt to 'share the load' of collecting stock for our Book Fair in May, a roster of available and able members is being prepared. The participants for the week commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> February are shown in the following table: -



Date	Time	Location	Participants
Tues 4/2	12:30 PM	Elders – Kincaid St	John Heazlewood & Lyndal Seymour.
Wed 5/2	11:00 AM	Elders – Kincaid St	Alan Lean & Graeme Callander.
Thur 6/2	11:00 AM	Salvos – Forsyth St	Graham Russell, Rajinder Singh & John Heazlewood.
Fri 7/2	TBA	Elders – Kincaid St	Bruce Barber.

Our thanks to Lyndal Seymour for undertaking the responsibility of drafting and maintaining this roster.

If for any reason you are unable to fulfil your role, please attempt to arrange a replacement and inform Lyndal of the details. If all else fails, request Lyndal to attempt to allocate a replacement for you.

Lyndal's contact details are: Mob: 0439 429 733  
Email: [airbornegymnasticswagga@gmail.com](mailto:airbornegymnasticswagga@gmail.com)

For the week commencing commencing 10<sup>th</sup> February, the draw is as follows: -

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Tues 11/2	12:30 PM	Elders – Kincaid St	John Heazlewood & Lyndal Seymour.
Wed 12/2	11:00 AM	Elders – Kincaid St	Alan Lean & Graeme Callander.
Thur 13/2	11:00 AM	Salvos – Forsyth St	Graham Russell, Rajinder Singh & John Heazlewood.
Fri 14/2	TBA	Elders – Kincaid St	Bruce Barber.

## NEXT MEETING: -



Next meeting we welcome **Melanie Johnson** a representative of Services NSW.

She will explain the services available through the regional office (top of Fox Street Wagga) and attempt to clarify for us, the workings of our State Government.

Melanie will be introduced by Graeme Callander who has known her for all of her life.

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

- ◆ 8 – 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020 District Membership Seminar in Young
- ◆ 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2020 Rotary Peace Ceremony
- ◆ 4<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Catering At Lilier Lodge.
- ◆ 20-22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 Final D9700 Conference (Temora).
- ◆ 2-3<sup>rd</sup> May 2020 Wagga Rotary BOOK FAIR.
- ◆ 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020 Catering At Lilier Lodge.
- ◆ 6-10<sup>th</sup> June 2020 Rotary International Convention – Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.



**BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -**

(2<sup>nd</sup> Feb to 15<sup>th</sup> Feb)

**Birthdays:**

**Rajinder Singh (10/02) & Sheila Murray (11/02)**

**Rotary Anniversaries:**

**Gerry Page (2/02/84), Philip Cross (4/02/99) + Deni 92/99,  
Peter Chenoweth (15/02/18) + Wagga 06/15 + Goondiwindi 80/84  
+ St Lucia 86/90.**

**Wedding Anniversaries:**

**Allan & Marnie Duffus (9/2).**



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**NUDE SELFIE IN THE DARK JUST  
FOR YOU..**

**YOU'RE WELCOME**



**WHEN I GROW UP  
I'D LIKE TO BE A  
RETIRED LOTTERY  
WINNER.**

