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<p>RI President: Holger Knaack Dist. Gov 9705: Michael Moore Area Three Gov: Martin Brown Club President: David Payne Club Secretary: Ellen Brasier</p>		<p>THE FOUR WAY TEST: Of the things we think, say or do: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is it the truth? • Is it fair to all concerned? • Will it build goodwill & better friendships? • Will it be beneficial to all concerned?
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BULLETIN NO: 36.

Thursday 25th March, 2021.

MARCH IS ROTARY WATER & SANITATION MONTH.

Club meets at the WAGGA WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB, **6:00 PM for 6.30 PM** (unless stated below).

Duty Roster: -Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty. Also inform the Bulletin Reporter.

Date:	Thursday 1 st April.	Thursday 8 th April.	Thursday 15 th April
PROGRAMME:	NO MEETING (Easter Break)	Social Night	Art Collective David Friedlieb
ATTENDANCE:	-	Karel Bijker David Wynne	Karel Bijker Marion Moran
SHORT & SWEET:	-	MaryAnn Kelly	Lyndal Seymour
FINES-MASTER:	-	Gary Roberts	Tony Hutchinson
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	-	-	Terry Mecham
VOTE OF THANKS:	-	-	Peter Olson
BULLETIN REPORTER:	-	Bryan Short	Vicky Donoghue
MEETINGS:	-	Nil	Board Meeting 8.00 p.m.

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 meeti**

MEETING REPORT: -


Attendance:



After updating us on the weather and road closures as a result of the recent inclement conditions, instructing all to turn off mobile phones – and complaining that the lectern should be fitted with a drink holder (please take note Sgt. Graeme), president David welcomed thirty-one members plus Club Guest Tim Martin (Key-note speaker), visiting Rotarian, John Ireland (Wollundry Rotary) and member's guest (and past member) Elle Palmer (guest of Graeme Callander).

Nine apologies had previously been recorded.

Administrative Notes:

- Please note that there will be **NO MEETING on Thursday 1 April.**
- A social gathering and Sunday lunch has been arranged by Lyndal Seymour at the Farmer's Home Hotel for this Sunday (28 March). No RSVP required; just turn up around lunchtime.
- Peter Smart reported on the recent breakfast with the boys of the Clontarf Foundation. The number of boys in attendance was less than usual due to a breakdown of their bus. The next event will be after Easter – Vida will provide full details at an appropriate time.
- Graeme Callander announced that he has become a great-grandfather. He and Bronwyn have just returned from visiting the new arrival at Port Macquarie and obviously encountered the flooded roads. This situation added an extra 900 Km to their journey. Upon arrival home Graeme discovered a stowaway in their car – a green tree frog – the frog's future is uncertain (anyone enjoy sautéed frogs' legs?).
- Nepal & Dipa Ghosh are expecting their second child later this year. 
- Following the presentation by Ron & Cath Frew two weeks ago our Board decided to donate \$500 towards the Rosewood Historical Photographic Display. A letter of thanks has been received.
- The Rotary Peace Walk is on this weekend. President David announced that he welcomes any member available to accompanying him. Following the walk, a gathering of Wagga based Rotarians is planned for the Irish Pub in Civic ACT.
- The District Assembly originally planned for the same weekend as our Book Fair has been postponed to a date to be advised.
- David Payne provided a 'warts & all' summary of the District Conference. Those unable to be in attendance last weekend can watch the presentations on YouTube. The link: - https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBxUVSw3q_wrrUBZn3jcwRQ
- The District Conference for 2022 will be held in Temora. Details will be provided closer to the event.



From the Board:

With the Book Fair fast approaching, the Board has committed some of our funds to an advertising campaign for the event. Ideally, we would love these costs to be covered by sponsorships or donations from any people or businesses who might feel so inclined, so that these costs don't eat into funds raised from the Book Fair. If we could find ten sponsors at \$200 each our advertising budget would be well covered. If any member is able to assist by suggesting possible sponsors, please speak to David Wynne at your earliest convenience.

Short & Sweet.



Margaret Keys, in a refreshing break from 'the norm', proposed, not one, but three International Toasts. They were proposed to Rotary Clubs in localities that had left a marked impression upon her during her global wanderings. She was impressed by her research on each of the Clubs which showed that each was heavily engaged in Youth Activities. The three locations (Clubs) are: -

- Quandra Island (off the east coast of Vancouver, Canada) – the Rotary Club of Campbell River Daybreak (Dist 5020).
- Orkney Island (off the coast of Scotland) – Rotary Club of Orkney (Dist 1010), and
- Istanbul, Turkey – all 230 Clubs in Turkey (Dist 2420).

Fines-Master Session.



Our Fines-master for the evening was Bryan Short, who true to his reputation, entertained us all and augmented the Treasurer's coffers. Bryan was ably assisted by box-carriers, Mary Ann Kelly and Brad Bland.

First to fall victim was the recipient of the Lucky-Door prize, Vida Smart with ticket E15, followed closely by those listed in the last two Club Bulletins as celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and the like.

Thereafter, he waxed and waned on themes relating to Daylight Saving, Easter activities, golf and other sporting activities (including those members who participated in Paul's games at the lakeside BBQ last week).

He concluded his session with a fine levied at 'everyone else'.

Keynote Speaker: *Tim Martin, Tumut River Brewing Company.*



David Wynne, with his typical humour, introduced our Key-Note Speaker for the evening. It was Tim Martin, proprietor of the Tumut based Tumut River Brewing Company. A very pleasant task for David, who claimed that his favourite party trick is making beer disappear.

Tim's story is one of triumph over adversity. Some nine years ago, he and 'a mate' decided that something needed to be done to improve tourism in their town – and they enjoyed making great beer. The obvious answer, at least so they thought at the time, was a Craft Brewery. And so the (steep) learning curve commenced.

He summed up the process which included dealing with financiers, State and Local Authorities, neighbouring shops/traders and the various trades people and suppliers. The stories demonstrated Tim's tenacity and the business today, is a credit to him as well as those brave individuals who were encouraged and/or coerced to become involved in the project.



Originally, Tim was a computer merchant with successful operations in Tumut and Gundagai, so he did have a reasonable degree of business skills. Unfortunately, he had to dispose of those businesses to fund the new brewery. His perseverance and dedication to his dream seems to be the qualities that prevailed and whilst he struggled during those early days, he did develop a loyal client base. The Covid lock-down loomed ominously and prompted a review of operations – which, with the benefit of hindsight, was the saviour of the business, because he branched out into home deliveries.

Today, the Tumut River Brewing Company is a viable business with a comfortable tap room to service dedicated beer enthusiasts, as well as producing some 35,000 litres of fine beers – predominately in cans, for sale through their various outlets.

David Kennedy moved a vote of thanks on our behalf; David admitted to not being a beer drinker but he was impressed by the story of the business development as well, no doubt, as the chemical processes involved in craft brewing.





4 Generations:

Great Grandad – Graeme 77,
Grandad – Ashton 51,
Dad – Tallon 22,
Baby – Bradley 2 months.

(That's a total of 150 years and 2 months!!)

Do we have any other great grandparents in our Club??

WOLLUNDRY ROTARY CLUB PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

This is your opportunity to showcase your work and be in the running for...

\$ 3,500 in Prize Money!

Entry is open to all amateur and semi-professional photographers. (A semi-professional is deemed to be one who earns less than 1/3 of their total income from photography.)

So get cracking. Set yourself a challenge and take some photos, or go and find up to four of your greatest images:

CATEGORIES

- 1. LANDSCAPE:** This Wonderful World .
We are looking for your best Landscapes, Streetscapes, Oceanscapes, Starshots.....whatever reflects the wonderful world we live in .
- 2. PORTRAIT:** People around me.
Every portrait tells a storey, be it a cheeky child, a serene bride, a craggy aged person, whatever.....We're looking for your best people photo here.
- 3. CREATIVE:** Phones Drones and Go Pros.
These are the new way of capturing the world. Any subject captured by one of these will challenge you to come up with something special.
- 4. GENERAL:** The Rest.
Be it Flowers, Insects, Birds or Trees a rusty fence or a fierce storm, or anything not already covered, macro to telephoto we're looking for your interpretation and your camera skills.

Limit of four (4) entries per entrant (1 in each category)

Entries close April 30th 2021.

Photos on display and winners announced at a gala cocktail party
7th May 2021.

Full Competition details and instructions for how to register and enter your photos can be found on the Wollundry Rotary Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/wollundry/>)

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

15 April 2021

Board Meeting

15/16 May 2021

Wagga Rotary Club Book Fair (Only 7 Weeks to go).

12/16 June 2021

Rotary International Conference (Taipei).

25 November 2021

Wagga Rotary Shine Recognition Awards



THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(4th-17th April)



Birthdays: Nepal Ghosh (6/4), David Wynne (10/4), Elaine Almond (12/4)

Rotary Anniversaries: Neil Hilpern (16/04/1992)

Wedding Anniversaries: nil

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Two obnoxious businessmen in a new shopping mall were sitting down for a break in their soon-to-be new shop...

As yet, the shop wasn't ready, with only a few shelves set up. One said to the other, "I bet any minute now some senior pensioner is going to walk by, put their face to the window, and ask what we're selling."

No sooner were the words out of his mouth when, sure enough, a curious old woman walked to the window, had a peek, and in a soft voice asked, "What are you selling here?"

One of the men replied sarcastically, "We're selling a**-holes."

Without skipping a beat, the old dear said, "Must be doing well... Only two left."

Courtesy Graeme Callander.

