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- 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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MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

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Thursday 14th May , 2020.

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

I am finding it difficult to muster up items for this bulletin so I'm asking that the members rostered please try to send me something suitable for publication. Please send by Thursday of each week. It doesn't need to be COVID related; in fact it would be great to enjoy something different!! Thank you in advance for your efforts.

Date:	Thursday 20 th May	Thursday 27 th May	Thursday 3 rd June
SHORT & SWEET:	David Wynne	Graham Russell	Alok Sharma
FINES-MASTER:	Mike Murray	Phillip Cross	Bruce Heydon

Ahoy from *SS Isolation*!! With the fine and fair weather, the sailing has been smooth this week. The tunnel of lockdown has a small glint of light at its far end, and the feeling is definitely optimistic. I just wish those weeds would stop growing. If I could cut and bale cape weed I'd be a wealthy woman!

It's our 90th birthday this week, and I am looking for contributions for a special bulletin. If you have something, please send it early in the week.

See you all on Zoom on Thursday. Wear your best party hat as part of our birthday celebration!!



Vicky.

From the President.

It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces on the Zoom screen last night, I think we topped at about 33 participants. Many thanks for your tolerance and good humour as we steadily learn the process. Also thanks to those who have contributed ideas for more segments to keep us informed and engaged.

A reminder about next Thursday's Board meeting. Please let me have any agenda items ASAP.

The Presidents of the six Wagga Rotary Clubs plus Rotaract are having a Zoom catchup on Tuesday night, and I will then report to you all next Thursday. As indicated last night, the new D9705 draft Budget is up for discussion, also how Club might approach their Changeovers. Wollundry Club has announced that Gears & Beers is a goer (at least for now) on the October Long Weekend.

We look forward to some live get togethers as soon as we can.

In the meantime, please have a look at our new website at www.Waggarotary.org and let Alan Lean or Lyndal Seymour or me have your comments or suggestions.

Finally, please consider supporting our Book Fair's shed rental costs with some of your savings from absence of dinner fees for last 8 weeks and ongoing. Nepal will happily accept contributions.

Until next week

David F

Bit's n Pieces from/about members

This is the link to the video we attempted to watch during the meeting. Courtesy of Inner Wheel via **Peter Veerhuis**: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgqgQdb0hJ4>

It was reported to the meeting that **Bill Prest** (who has no access to internet) is very well and is missing the Thursday get-togethers a lot. We miss you too Bill!

Alf Barzen and **MaryAnn Kelly** have Carpal Tunnel surgery in common. We wish them both a speedy recovery.

Mike Murray asked who is going to send the Queen a letter when she turns 100?

Terry Mecham asked who would be the ten people allowed at the Queen's funeral if she passed away.

Mike Murray replied that there would be a contest for the remaining seven places, with three taken up by himself, his wife Carol and Tony Abbott!!

We hear that **Tony Hutchinson**'s upcoming birthday is a big round one which might start with a 7.

Peter Smart shared a video with some dodgy looking stars.....view it here: <https://vimeo.com/414875185>.

Paul Galloway gave an update on the spending of a donation our Club made to the East Timor project. \$200 has been spent to repair the plumbing problems. They have requested permission to spend the remaining funds to provide meals for the casual teachers who are providing online learning in the present circumstances. Paul said an email expressing thanks was received from the East Timorese Education Minister.

A reminder.....

Next Thursday's Board meeting will be the final one before the end of the current year. Please send any agenda items to President David at your earliest convenience.

From the Past:- from Phil Cross

From Bulletin 22 dated 23 November 1989 of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga President 1989 – 1990 Dick Mead

Guest Speaker; Les McNamara (The Barrel Man, Operation Small Change)

Les has been well known for his fund raising efforts based around barrels placed in strategic public places. He has received various awards and recognition for his efforts including a Paul Harris Fellowship and an Order of Australia. Les told us how it started with a barrel in his local church until today there are 138 of his barrels in Australia and 1 in Japan. Les built his public speaking skills through Rostrum and has extended his efforts towards spreading the Road Safety Message to Youth His visit to our Club was arranged by Denis Wickham. Two Barrels obtained through Les will raise funds for the Wagga Base Hospital and the Kapooka Chapel Appeal, as a project of this Club

The bronze plaque was given to our Honorary member Bill Prest in 2016 and is believed to have come from the Home Tavern Hotel previously owned by our former member Denis Wickham who instigated the collection of small change from many locations. The locations of the barrels remain unknown?

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“The Barrel Man”

Short and Sweet:- (Ellen Brasier)

Life in Isolation at the Grange

Well it has been a torrid few weeks and for a person like me who has to have a chat it has been rather a difficult time. Thank goodness for the phone.

The Grange which is usually bustling with activities and people is eerily quiet and this is taking quite a bit of getting used to.

All the facilities at the Grange have been closed so we can no longer go for a Drink on Friday Evenings, cards on a Wednesday Night or Craft or anything else that involves being with people. The only thing that we have been able to do is have a quiet cuppa on the driveway of our homes with our neighbor or go for a long walk and have a chat with those who are sitting out the front of their homes. One of the highlights has been to discover where one of the residents has hidden her teddy bear each day!!

On the up side I have finally made a sponge cake that hasn't been used as a frisbee and my garden is looking great. (I am not a gardener so I am rather proud of this fact.) All my cupboards have been tidied and my garage, well I can fit the car in it now!!

I have also been upskilled a little with my computer and now can log into a ZOOM meeting, have Facetime drinks with my daughter-in-law, and teach my two grandsons remotely. How great is technology when it works!

Jigsaws have become a great pastime, as has knitting and at last I have been able to catch up with my reading. NO longer have I books that have been begging to be read. Netflix has also become a great entertainer.

Golf, well that's another story. Until recently the Golf Course has been closed but as yet I haven't ventured out for a game. The little course at the Grange has been great but one has to be careful not to slice the ball as it will go over the bank and then is very difficult to either retrieve or hit back! I am not a great golfer at the best of times but hate to think what it is going to be like when I finally return to play at the Country Club. Monday told the sad tale as I ventured out for a game!

Both my girls have been—to say the least—over protective. Susan has been doing my shopping each week as she keeps on reminding me that I am in the dangerous age bracket. (I hate this gentle reminder!) She gets my shopping list each Wednesday and delivers on Thursday or Friday. Michelle on the other hand just lectures me continuously on the dangers of going out and of not adhering to the one-point-five-metre rule. Funny how the tide has changed. I did ask them the other day who the parent was. But I really do appreciate their concern.

I am so looking forward to the day that the Country Club reopens and the isolation rules are relaxed so that we can once enjoy our Thursday night Meetings—I hate cooking! Keep safe everyone I look forward to seeing you all in person, in the not too distant future. Zoom is great but nothing like the real thing.

'The View from a Social Distance....' (Finesmaster) (Peter Smart)

Peter began by fining all the 'usual suspects'...birthdays, Rotary anniversaries, wedding anniversaries... and in doing so, fined himself and Vida, as they celebrated 33 years of 'wife and husband'-dom last weekend. Vida was treated to drinks in bed on Saturday, followed by what Peter described as some 'adult time with adult toys'!

He went on to explain that this involved the felling of a tree with a chainsaw, and this resulted in fines for those who had indulged in breakfast, coffee, tea, *anything* in bed, as well as anyone who had done any form of gardening in the past week. The anniversary celebration continued with a romantic dinner...which Vida had to go and pick up. Anyone else who had enjoyed a takeaway or delivery meal was asked to contribute to the fines jar. It was a 'double banger' for Vida last weekend, with Mothers Day following on Sunday. This was celebrated in style with yardwork.... clearing up the felled tree! This process was ably assisted by visiting Rotarian Graham Russell. So Peter fined anyone who had ever assisted a fellow Rotarian in the garden!

Cross fine: Vida fined Peter for overworking her on her anniversary and Mothers Day.

Guest Speaker

With Mothers Day celebrated last week, This presentation by Yifat Susskind seems appropriate in many ways. It was presented in December 2019, but has a message for us in this COVID world..... 'Think like a mother'.

https://www.ted.com/talks/yifat_susskind_in_uncertain_times_think_like_a_mother



Exercise Fitness and Fun:-

More fun with Judi from 1982.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LD1xSc7oRRk>

Boredom Busters

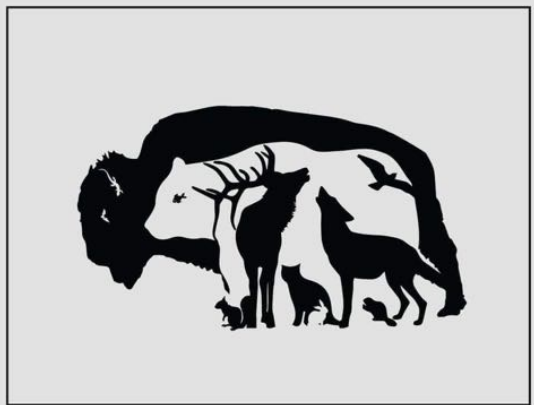
Each week I hope to bring you suggestions for things you might do to help ease the days of 'distancing'. Here are some suggestions:

- It's Chelsea Flower Show time from 18th to 23rd May. Always wanted to attend? Well this is your lucky year. It's gone digital. Take a tour: rhs.org.uk/Chelsea
- One for the engineers: check out these bridges: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-68pyef4N2Y>
- Comic relief for the week: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qLNhVC296YI>
- This week I've binge watched 'Dead To Me' on Netflix. Give it a go.
- *Quiz time*: Can you match the quote with its 'owner'? (Inspired by *Peter Murray*)

1. A leader is a dealer in hope.
2. Doing what's right isn't the problem. It's knowing what's right.
3. Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country.
4. Learn from yesterday, live for today, hope for tomorrow. The important thing is not to stop questioning.
5. If you judge people you have no time to love them.
6. I would like to die on Mars. Just not on impact.
7. Love the life you live. Live the life you love.
8. Politics is when you say one thing while intending to do another. Then you do neither what you said or intended.
9. One book, one pen, one child, and one teacher can change the world.
10. When our memories outweigh our dreams, it is then that we become old.
11. Only the wisest and stupidest of men never change.
12. Don't count the days, make the days count.
13. I don't go from the rule book...I lead from the heart, not the head.
14. One cannot leap a chasm in two jumps.
15. Well done is better than well said.
16. There are no morals in politics, there is only expedience.
17. Stay hungry. Stay foolish.
18. My religion is very simple. My religion is kindness.
19. The supreme quality for leadership is unquestionably integrity. Without it no real success is possible.
20. Power without principle is barren but principle without power is futile.

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| A. Tony Blair |
| B. Sir Winston Churchill |
| C. Princess Diana |
| D. Albert Einstein. |
| E. Dwight D Eisenhower |
| F. Saddam Hussein |
| G. Lyndon B. Johnson |
| H. Vladimir Lenin. |
| I. Malala Yousafzai |
| J. Mother Teresa: |
| K. Steve Jobs: |
| L. Muhammad Ali |
| M. Benjamin Franklin |
| N. Bob Marley: |
| O. John F. Kennedy |
| P. Bill Clinton |
| Q. Elon Musk |
| R. Nelson Mandela |
| S. Napoleon Bonaparte |
| T. Confucius |

Answers at end
of Bulletin



How many animals can you spot in this picture?

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(17th - 23rd May)

Birthdays: Graeme Callander 18/5), Paul Galloway (19/5), Don Pembleton (21/5)

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

KOOKABURRA

(Thanks to Don Pembleton!)



A German Shepherd, a Doberman, and a cat died.
In heaven, all three faced God, who wanted to know what they believed in.
The German Shepherd said, "I believe in discipline, training and loyalty to my master."
"Good!" said God. "Sit at my right side."
"Doberman, what do you believe in?" asked god.
The Doberman answered, "I believe in love, care, and protection of my master."
"Aha," said God. "You may sit to my left."
Then God looked at the cat and asked, "And what do you believe in?"
The cat replied, "I believe you are sitting in my seat."



Quiz Answers:

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| 1 S | 11 T |
| 2 G | 12 L |
| 3 O | 13 C |
| 4 D | 14 B |
| 5 J | 15 M |
| 6 Q | 16 H |
| 7 N | 17 K |
| 8 F | 18 R |
| 9 I | 19 E |
| 10 P | 20 A |

I found 12 animals:

- wolf
- squirrel
- rabbit
- lizard
- fish
- deer
- cat
- bison
- bird
- beaver
- bear
- bat

Are there more?

