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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: 1.

Thursday 4th July 2019.

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 11 th July	Thursday 18 th July	Thursday 25 th July
PROGRAMME:	Averil Gillham AGED CARE.	DAD'S CARE 4 KIDS	Brett Somerville PCYC
ATTENDANCE:	Gordon Sagers David Wynne	Peter Smart Howard Mendel	Karel Bijker John Heazlewood
GREETER:	David Payne	Bruce Barber	Lyndal Seymour
SHORT & SWEET:	'Presidential Surprise'	Bryan Short	Mike Murray
FINES-MASTER:	David Cannon	Peter Smart	Philip Cross
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Bryan Short	Alok Sharma	Barry Francis
VOTE OF THANKS:	Howard Mendel	Neil Hilpern	Philip Cross
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Vicky Donoghue	David Kennedy	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 ☎ 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.



President David welcomed thirty four members (75%) to the first meeting of his presidential year. No visiting Rotarians or guests joined us at this weeks meeting.

Apologies were recorded from Alan Lean, Alok Sharma, David Kennedy, John Studdert, Laurie Fromholtz, Margaret Everett, Paul Galloway, Terry Mecham & Tony Hutchinson.

Administration Matters.

The meeting was declared opened by our 'bran new' president, David who thanked Peter Veerhuis for his year of service and then alerted members to the following matters: -

1. **Laurie Fromholtz's** has an on-going battle with pneumonia. Laurie is still not able to receive visitors in hospital, and our thoughts are with him for a speedy recovery.
2. Members are reminded that **Annual Subscriptions** are now due. If receipts are required, please request them from Nepal on payment. Remember that payment by instalment is available upon request. The amount due is \$275-00 and the preferred method of payment is by electronic transfer to: -

Wagga Wagga Rotary General Account (note at Beyond Bank – changed from last year)

BSB: 325 185
Account Number: 03739311

3. President David reports that planning for the Joint Wagga Rotary Clubs' Website is well underway.
4. There will be **No BBQ Breakfasts** at Mount Austin/Clontarf Foundation for the next few weeks. Lyndal has generously offered a session at Airborne Gymnastics to the Clontarf boys for the last Friday morning of the school term, and subsequent to that there is school holidays.
5. **Elaine Almond** is the Assistant District Governor (Group 7) again for this year. Congratulations Elaine.
6. Elaine made the sad announcement that **Lockhart Rotary Club** has handed in their Charter due to insufficient numbers.
7. Phil Cross asked members to let him know of any alterations that may be needed to the **Club Directory** for this coming year.
8. Phil also gave a report on the latest **Darkness to Light project in East Timor** that Alok Sharma attended last week, and read out a letter of thanks received by Alok and our club, from Manoi Sharma, MD in East Timor. (Wagga Rotary donated \$5000) **Report in Brief (Baucau surgical outreach, June 24-June 28 2019): -**

- i. Total no of patient: **284**
- ii. Total no of surgeries: **46 (34 major, 12 minor)**
- iii. Total number of surgeries (your Phaco cases) at National Eye Center during the week: **16**

Short & Sweet.

This week Barry Francis delved deep into his past to tell us how he came to be in Wagga. He joined the RAAF 39 years ago, and after completing basic training he went to Laverton to study electronics. He was introduced to Calculators at this time, and took some convincing that they were trustworthy, but after months of checking by long hand, he was a believer. After some time at Amberley, he was promoted to Corporal, and eventually moved to work in the Blue Mountains as a Telecom Technician for 6 years. At this time, the RAAF closed the school where he had been



working, and he was faced with choice of moving to Wagga. Initially, Chris and his kids did not want to move here, but in 1984, they made the move, and have put down strong roots. Their Grandchildren are now here, so he can't see any reason to leave.

Fines-Master Session.



The Fines session was conducted with the introduction of the Red, White and Blue...Flags, yes, since it is American Independence Day today, and as Graham noted, also the colour of many western nations flags. However the fine came in the form of police flashing lights from the last 5 years. Insult to Injury. The rest of the fine session made use of beer versus make-up, women and bikini's, and Algebra, all whilst Graham professed to not wanting to pick on any one particular group in the club.

Raffle Winner.

Howard Mendel was delighted to win this week's bottle of wine.

Program.

This week instead of a guest speaker, we had a 'Club Chat' about a few points on which President David wanted to have input from club members. The following are ideas which were discussed: -

1. **Gifting:** Who, and when. Discussed whether we could give donations earlier in the club year/use in activities throughout the year.
2. **How Much:** Each table was asked to discuss, then suggest how much of funds raised might be kept for rotary charities locally, versus given to rotary international. Results ranged from 50/50, 20/80 to 40/60 %
3. **Meeting Program:** President David prompted a discussion of pattern of meetings in the future, putting forward the following reasons and suggestions.
 - (a) RI now only require (at least) two meetings per month:
 - i. This is already adopted in some clubs
 - ii. Is preferred by most New clubs to market Rotary to younger prospective members:
 - (b) Our Rotary offering must be right
 - (c) Weekly meetings a real barrier for recruitment
4. Existing Members:
 - (a) Are used to weekly meetings
 - (b) LIKE weekly meetings
 - (c) May not wish to change
5. President David wishes Feedback from members on a possible transition or blend;
 - (a) Retain a meeting/gathering nearly every week.
 - (b) Two main meetings per month, e.g. 2nd and 4th Thursdays with a guest speaker (i.e. similar format to existing meetings) from 6.30 pm to 8 pm.
 - (c) Two informal meetings/gatherings e.g. 1st and 3rd Thursdays – limited program 6.30 pm to 7.30 pm including optional meal and club meeting
6. First Thursday Service and Club Committees meet alternate weeks.
7. Third Thursday Board meeting commences

8. No meetings if a fifth Thursday falls within the month.

Each table was asked to come up with a response, and this prompted some **ROBUST** discussion, as stated by various spokespersons from each table. The meeting was concluded with many ideas for the Board to consider but without any formal decisions.

NEXT MEETING: -

Our next meeting will be held at the Wagga Country Club with the normal start time as detailed above.



Do you know the role of ACAT (Aged Care Assessment Team)? Do you know what a RAD is?

Australia's population is getting older. Results of the 2016 national census show that one in six Australians is now aged over 65. By 2056, it is projected there will be 8.7 million older Australians (22% of the population); by 2096, 12.8 million people (25%) will be aged 65 years and over.

The impact of our ageing population is an increase in the number of Australians needing help in aged care. The public aged-care system is already under strain, with fewer places than there is demand. By 2060, aged care demands are expected to put additional pressure on Australian governments equivalent to about 6% national GDP.

Since 2012, the government has been introducing reforms that move towards consumer-directed aged care – a more market-driven environment where the consumer (or their carer) can choose their service provider. The funding model provides care for those who cannot afford it but aged people with assets are now expected to fund (in part or in full) their own aged care.

Our Key-Note Speaker, **Averil Gillham**, will shed some light on the complexities of the system currently promoted by our Federal agencies.

If inviting guests, please remember to provide numbers for catering purposes.

ROTARY DISTRICT 9700 CONFERENCE: -



Our District Conference for this Rotary Year will be hosted by Temora over the 20th–22nd March 2020.

This will be the last conference of Rotary District 9700 before Districts 9700 and 9710 merge to make District 9705.

The conference will be held in the newly renovated Temora Memorial Town Hall as well as The Bundawarra Centre and Temora Aviation Museum. A number of guest speakers have already been arranged

and non-Rotarians are also encouraged to attend. There is no charge for admission to the various business sessions.

WOLLUNDY ROTARY GEARS & BEERS FESTIVAL: -

This event is scheduled for 6th October 2019. We normally assist the Wollundry Club over the weekend of the event so please insert it into your diary and await further comment..

The festival and ride has reportedly attracted the attention of Henk Vogels, a former Australian and international champion cyclist who is currently SBS cycling commentator.

THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Howard claims the much converted Raffle Prize.



**The lady's table
(Secret Woman's Business??)**



**Brad Bland & David Wynne
discussing proposed changes
to our meeting format.**

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**ROTARY
CONNECTS
THE WORLD**

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

- **22nd - 22nd Sept** **Zone 8 Rotary Conference – Christchurch NZ.**
- **6th October** **Wollundry Rotary Gears & Beers Festival.**
- **20-22nd March** **Final D9700 Conference (Temora).**



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(14th Jul – 20th Jul)

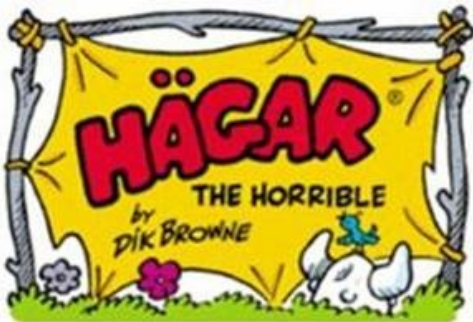
Birthdays: Nil.

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil.

Wedding Anniversaries: John & Carol Studdert (17/7), Philip & Merryl Cross (17/7) and Graham & Lyn Russell (9/7).



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ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGA WAGGA
BOARD AND COMMITTEES 2019 – 2020

President:	David Friedlieb	Secretary:	Ellen Brasier
Vice-President:	David Payne	Treasurer:	Nepal Ghosh
Immediate Past President:	Peter Veerhuis		

Standing Committees

Public Image – Director- Mike Murray
Graeme Callander, Graham Russell, Gerry Page, Margaret Keys **Facebook-** Marion Moran, **Website-** Nepal Ghosh, Terry Mecham, Don Pembleton

Membership – Director- Alok Sharma
Mary Ann Kelly, Brad Bland, Peter Veerhuis, David Kennedy, David Wynne

Rotary Foundation – Director- Philip Cross
Bryan Short, Bruce Barber

Club Committees

Club Service Projects - President Elect – David Payne

Community Service – Peter Smart (Chair), Margaret Everett, Barry Francis, Tony Hutchinson, Alf Barzen, Allan Duffus, Neil Hilpern, Rob Sharkie, John Heazlewood, Bruce Heydon

Vocational Service – Alan Lean (Chair), Lyndal Seymour, Vicki Donoghue, Karel Bijker, Laurie Fromholtz, Vida Smart

International Service – Gordon Saggars (Chair), Paul Galloway, Howard Mendel, John Studdert

Youth New Generations – Director- Brad Bland, Ellen Brasier, Elaine Almond, David Cannon

Club Administration – Director- Vida Smart

Attendance – Karel Bijker (Chair), David Wynne, Margaret Everett, Lyndal Seymour

Sergeant at Arms – Graeme Callander (Chair), David Kennedy, Bruce Heydon.

Bulletin and History – Gerry Page (Chair), Don Pembleton, David Kennedy, Vida Smart, Peter Veerhuis, Neil Hilpern, David Payne, Bryan Short, Ellen Brasier, Philip Cross, Vicky Donoghue, Laurie Fromholtz

Fund Raising and Book Fair – Graham Russell (Chair), Gerry Page, John Heazlewood, Bruce Heydon, Neil Hilpern, Rob Sharkie, David Payne, Allan Duffus, Margaret Keys, Bruce Barber, Alf Barzen, Brad Bland, Nepal Ghosh, Howard Mendel, Marion Moran, John Studdert

Programs and Fellowship – David Cannon (Chair), Peter Veerhuis, Gordon Saggars, Alan Lean, Don Pembleton, Mike Murray, Alok Sharma, Peter Smart

BBQ - Tony Hutchinson (Chair), Barry Francis, Terry Mecham, Mary Ann Kelly, Paul Galloway, Elaine Almond.

Goodwin Estate - Philip Cross, Graham Gorrel (Hon.), Peter Veerhuis.

Other Club Appointments

Rotary Information - Bruce Barber, Alan Lean. **Duty Roster -** Ellen Brasier
Risk Management Officer - Don Pembleton **Child Protection Officer -** Ellen Brasier (7/19).