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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: 15

Thursday 10th 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 17 th Oct.	Thursday 24 th Oct.	Thursday 31 st Oct.
PROGRAMME:	Music Quiz Compère: Mike Murray	Sporting Attire/Hat Night For Mental Health.	Combined Meeting with Coolamon & Junee Clubs (Details TBA).
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Bruce Heydon	Karel Bijker Tony Hutchinson	Karel Bijker Neil Hilpern
GREETER:	Peter Smart	Vida Smart	John Studdert
SHORT & SWEET:	Allan Duffus	David Wynne	Alan Lean
FINES-MASTER:	Gerry Page	Lyndall Seymour	Vicky Donoghue
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Not Required	Allan Duffus	Margaret Everett
VOTE OF THANKS:	Not Required	Terry Mecham	Gerry Page
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Vida Smart	Neil Hilpern	David Payne

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 members were present at our usual meeting place, the Wagga Country Club giving us an attendance of 66.7%. In addition, we welcomed one guest, Robyn McPherson.

Apologies were recorded from Alf Barzen, Ellen Brazier, Paul Galloway, Tony Hutchinson, Mike Murray, John Heazlewood, Margaret Everett, Rajinder Singh, Barry Francis, Neil Hilpern, Graham Russell & Brad Bland.

Administration Matters.

President David gave a report of the happenings and club involvement which included:

- Wollundry Rotary Club – **Beers & Gears Festival** – The festival has now grown so large that it could not be run without the support of all the Wagga Rotary Clubs. The profit from the weekend is reported to be approximately \$185,000.00. There were over 3,000 riders participating in the various ride events.
- **Driving Training Simulator** – President David is looking for a couple of members to go on a small committee that will advise the Board on the feasibility of the Club purchasing a driver training simulator. Anyone interested please contact David.
- **Joint Rotary Website** – A joint Wagga Rotary Website is near completion and should be up and running soon.
- Polio Plus Movie – The Rotary district movie “**Ride like a girl**”, held to raise funds for Polio Plus, was successful, with \$2,700 being raised. For this international project.
- **Shine Awards** – These will be held on **Thursday 28th November** and Alan Lean needs to receive more nominations. Please keep an eye out for businesses who have successfully employed a disadvantaged worker. 
- **Youth Exchange Questionnaire** – By now everyone should have received a Youth Exchange Questionnaire from Phil Cross. Please complete it in and return it back to Phil as soon as possible.
- **Barbeque Sunday 20th October** – A reminder that we are running a barbeque at Apex Park on **Sunday 20th October** to support the Juvenile Diabetes Research. It will run from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm and Terry will be seeking volunteers next meeting.
- **Board Meeting** next week.
- It has now been 35 years celebration since Wagga Rotary formed the **Ladies Probus Club** in Wagga.
- **Brian & Sally Short** will leave the next day (11th October) to visit their twin grandchildren in England – a Boy (Finlay) & a girl (Daphne).
- **Prostate Research** – A Sydney University PhD student (originally from the Wagga area), is seeking twelve to fifteen men, between the ages of 45 to 69 years of age, to participate in a research project. The men would need to have no past diagnoses of Prostate Cancer. Please contact Elaine Almond if you know of qualifying men (not necessarily Rotary members) who might be available to assist.

Short & Sweet.

Bryan Short gave a very interesting outline on the proposal to improve the water supply and quality in Tutuala (Timor-Leste). The children in the Tutuala area have the world's second worst stunting growth problem.

Paul Galloway, Gordon Saggars and Brian Short plan to again visit Tutuala on 7th November with the aim of assessing the feasibility and cost of improving the very crude and questionably healthy water supply. They will, amongst other things, be assessing if its possible to install one of Howard Mendel's water purifiers. A detailed report on Howard's activities in this area will be published in this publication next week.

Raffle Winner.

After complaining that it had been years since he won the door raffle four times in the one year and had had no success since in the following years, David Cannon had the cheek to win the wine (see photos below).

Fines-Master Session.

Don Pembleton levied the fines, and of course football was a major focus following the Grand Finals. Birthdays (Graham Russell & Christine Heydon), Rotary Anniversaries (Peter & Vida Smart, Alf Barzen & Elaine Almond) and Wedding Anniversaries (Bill & Dorothy Prest and Barry & Chris Francis) were also added to the funds. Some of the members fined were, unfortunately, apologies this week so their 'good friends' gracefully contributed on their behalf.

Key-Note Speaker.

Jennifer Cameron from the local branch of the Australian Red Cross brought us up to date with **Leaner Driver Mentor Program** that is currently running in Wagga, Narrandera, Leeton, Cootamundra and Junee.

The program caters mainly for Aboriginal clients, and our club assists with a focus is on the students at Mount Austin High School (Clontarf).

Some of the points that Jennifer mentioned were:

- x Some Aboriginal clients really struggle to obtain a licence, often because of poor literacy skills and previous driving and/or criminal offences.
- x Statistics show that these clients are 2-3 times more likely than the rest of the population to be involved in a car accident.
- x Only around 40% currently hold a driving licence.
- x 2,349 have had a licence disqualified.
- x 1,879 have been found driving without a licence.

Thus, there is a great need to help them to overcome the hurdles, and the Red Cross is one of the organisations attempting to address the problem.

Passing the knowledge test is a major problem, and the Red Cross have this as one of the primary aims. Following that, they have to obtain their Learners plates, and some early lessons are given by Jennifer and also the NRMA. Once they have a Learner's Permit however, they need to get 120 hours of driving under various types of conditions with a licenced driver. This is where volunteers are needed, and Jennifer appealed for more of our members, in addition to the three members that are helping with this task, to volunteer.

After a series of questions from the floor, Howard Mendel moved a vote of thanks (see photo below); which was carried unanimously.



WORLD POLIO DAY: -

Every year, on **24th October**, we celebrate our progress toward eradicating polio. Clubs around the world raise awareness in their communities and spread the word that the fight to end polio is not over.

Here are some Rotary clubs that already registered their World Polio Day events:

- In Italy, the Rotary clubs in Reggio Calabria organized a concert at Mediterranean University to raise funds for PolioPlus.
- In Honduras, the Rotary Club of San Pedro Sula held a breakfast with local media to publicize Rotary's progress toward ending polio.
- In Hong Kong, the Rotary Club of Channel Islands is using social media to spread the word about World Polio Day.

What can we do?



ROTARY'S
WORLD POLIO DAY
ONLINE GLOBAL UPDATE
24 OCTOBER 2019

Visit the Rotary International
Facebook page to RSVP.
[#endpolio](#) | [endpolio.org](#)



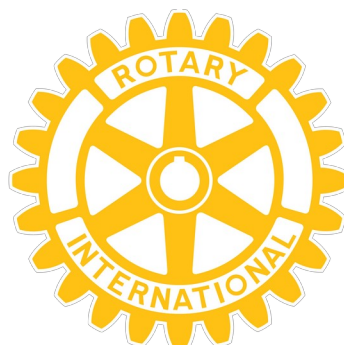
NEXT MEETING: -

Our next meeting will once again see us on our 'home turf' at the Wagga Wagga Country Club.

Our own, Mike Murray, with his vast knowledge of matters musical, has prepared an entertaining and enlightening program for us and our guests to enjoy. This has been designated a partners night. So if you have a partner or even a friend who has musical interests, this will be the night to bring them. I'm sure we'll all learn some strange facts that we were unaware of.

Fines-master Gerry Page will keep a sharp lookout for anyone using their smart phones to assist with the answers. Minimum fine (for the first offence) will be \$2.00 – increasing dramatically for repeat offenders (but don't be deterred!).

This should be a fun night – why not invite your partner/husband/wife and/or friends/colleagues? But don't forget to nominate any change in numbers for catering purposes.



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

- 20TH OCT. BBQ – APEX PARK, SUPPORTING JUVENILE DIABETES RESEARCH (10 AM TO 2 PM).
- 24TH OCT. WORLD POLIO DAY.
- 28TH NOV. WAGGA ROTARY – SHINE AWARDS.
- NEXT YEAR (2020): -**
- 15-16TH FEB. PETS TRAINING & DINNER GOULBURN.
- 4TH MAR. CATERING AT LILLIER LODGE
- 20-22ND MAR. FINAL D9700 CONFERENCE (TEMORA).
- 2ND – 3RD MAY. WAGGA ROTARY CLUB – ANNUAL BOOK FAIR.
- 3RD JUN. CATERING AT LILLIER LODGE
- 6-10TH JUNE 20 ROTARY [International Convention](#) – HONOLULU, HAWAII, USA.



THE 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Bruce & David demonstrate their football allegiances.



Howard moves the Vote of Thanks.



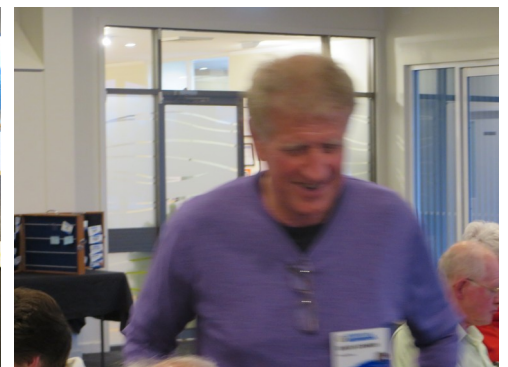
Peter & Vida – obviously enjoying the meeting.



Phillip displays his East's Rugby colours to Peter.



Guest Robyn draws the Lucky Door Prize.



David Cannon (reluctantly) accepts the Prize.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(20th Oct – 26th Oct)

Birthdays: Nil.
Rotary Anniversaries: Mike Murray (24/10/91).
Wedding Anniversaries: Nil.



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**Did you know on
the Canary
Islands there is
not one canary?
And on the
Virgin Isles?
Same thing - not
one canary there
either!**

