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

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| <p><b>RI President:</b> Shekhar Mehta</p> <p><b>Dist. Gov 9705:</b> Leo Farrelly</p> <p><b>Area Three Gov:</b> Elaine Almond</p> <p><b>Club President:</b> Alan Lean</p> <p><b>Club Secretary:</b> Ellen Brasier</p> |  | <p><b>THE FOUR WAY TEST:</b><br/>Of the things we think, say or do: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is it the truth?</li> <li>• Is it fair to all concerned?</li> <li>• Will it build goodwill &amp; better friendships?</li> <li>• Will it be beneficial to all concerned?</li> </ul> |
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**BULLETIN NO: 17.**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2021.**

**OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 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 & inform our Bulletin Reporter. :-

| Date:                     | Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Oct.   | Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov.   | Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov.             |
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| <b>PROGRAMME:</b>         | <b>TIM HARVEY</b><br><b>Agribusiness</b><br><b>(At Men's Shed)</b>                                   | <b>HAT NIGHT</b><br><b>for Mental Health</b><br><b>(Partners Night)</b> | <b>FILM NIGHT</b><br><b>Details within</b> |
| <b>ATTENDANCE:</b>        | Karel Bijker<br>Peter Olson  | Vicky Donoghue<br>Marion Moran  | N/R  |
| <b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b> | Gordon Sagers  | Elaine Almond   | N/R  |
| <b>FINES-MASTER:</b>      | David Friedlieb  | David Wynne   | N/R  |
| <b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b> | Paul Galloway  | Tony Hutchinson   | N/R  |
| <b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>    | David Kennedy  | Margaret Everett  | N/R  |
| <b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b> | John Heazlewood  | Vida Smart  | Ellen Brasier                              |
|                           | Apologies this week to Alan Lean<br><a href="mailto:alan.lean44@gmail.com">alan.lean44@gmail.com</a> |   |  |

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

**Don't forget!**

If you can't attend a meeting, please lodge your apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE on 6922 6444 by 2.30 pm Wednesday (or pre-record it in the apology book provided at the meeting attendance table – IN BLOCK LETTERS).

Also, for catering purposes, please advise if bringing a guest to a meeting.

**THIS WEEK'S MEETING:** On **Thursday 28th October** we will very kindly be hosted at the **Men's Shed, Veale St , Ashmont**. They will cater at a cost to our members of **\$25**. The program will feature **Guest Speaker Tim Harvey** on the topic of **Agribusiness**. **Apologies are very important, and on this special occasion should be made to President Alan Lean at [alan.lean44@gmail.com](mailto:alan.lean44@gmail.com) before 12noon on Wednesday 27th**

**NOTE** that the **Combined Wagga Rotary Clubs** will conduct a **Film Night on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November** for the premiere of the new **James Bond film** - details below – this will take the place of our meeting for that week.

### **MEETING REPORT: - Thursday 21st October**

#### **Attendance:**

**President Alan** welcomed 29 members as well as Visiting Rotarian **Andrew Stow** and **Sally Short**

#### **Club Business**

- **Our next meeting** format & location was discussed and **President Alan** subsequently arranged for us to be hosted at the **Men' Shed** – details above. We are very grateful for their assistance. **Alan** has received a letter from the **Country Club caterer** seeking to clarify the fee sought for meals.
- Members were saddened to hear that **Alok Sharma's mother, Mrs Prem Lata Sharma** passed away suddenly after unexpected complications following a routine test in **Rohtak north of Delhi** on **19th October 2021**. **Mrs Sharma**, her husband and family were avid supporters of **Darkness to Light** since **2005** and used the time to catch up with **Alok**. At the last **Eye Camp** in **February 2020** the **YamunaNagar Rotary Club** helped her celebrate her **80th birthday**.  
**Mrs Sharma** visited **Wagga Rotary Club** in **2019** and the photo shows her with **Alok** on that occasion. Members signed a sympathy card on the night, and **Philip Cross** has passed it to **Alok** who was very appreciative. .
- **A great barbeque tea** was provided by **Terry** and the team, outside the **Book Sorting HQ**, and a night of fellowship was enjoyed.
- **Following the meeting a pink mobile phone was found** on a table top and the owner was identified after some excellent detective work by **Graham Russell**, ringing various members numbers until one responded. It is understood that the culprit will be suitably fined next week.



#### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -**

*25<sup>th</sup> to 31st October*

**Birthdays** Josephine CANNON (27/10)

**Rotary Anniversaries:** Nil

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil



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

- 24 March 2022 Wagga Rotary Shine Recognition Function
- 21 & 22 May 2022 Wagga Rotary BOOK FAIR



### FILM NIGHT

The joint Rotary Clubs of Wagga will conduct a **Premiere screening of the new James Bond movie “No Time to Die”** at Forum 6 Cinemas Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 . Screening at 7pm . **This will take the place of our club meeting for that week.**

This is a joint fundraising venture for all Rotary clubs to raise funds towards a program to support Wagga's Homeless. Everyone is welcome to attend .

Tickets are \$20 plus fees, online through [www.trybooking.com/BUWQE](http://www.trybooking.com/BUWQE)

Tickets are on sale NOW - tickets are emailed to the purchaser and have bar-code and QR code as identifiers. Sales will determine whether a second cinema is needed.

**On arrival at the cinema** As at 18 Oct, 2021 arrangements for cinemagoers are:

- need to be double vaccinated and able to show proof
- wear a mask and QR code log in & show Forum 6 staff
- seating will be at 75% capacity and is currently capped at 300 which would use 2 cinemas.



## WORLD POLIO DAY 24<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### Eradicating polio amid a pandemic and political upheaval

Story By: Carol Pandak Rotary's PolioPlus director for 21 years

Against the backdrop of an ongoing global pandemic and political upheaval in Afghanistan, we continue to make significant progress in polio eradication, demonstrating the resilience and determination of all those who are working to achieve a polio-free world for children everywhere.

Although this year may feel a little different, given current events, on World Polio Day, 24 October, we reflect on the progress we've made and the challenges we've faced not only over the past year but throughout the history of the PolioPlus program.

### Celebrating progress

As of 29 September 2021, only two cases of polio caused by wild poliovirus have been reported — one in Afghanistan and one in Pakistan. There has also been a significant reduction in wild poliovirus detected in



the environment. Also in decline are cases of circulating vaccine-derived poliovirus (cVDPV), which occur when the live, weakened virus used in the oral polio vaccine circulates in underimmunized communities and reverts in strength in a way that can cause paralysis. (The Global Polio Eradication Initiative [GPEI], of which Rotary is a founding partner, introduced a new vaccine to lower the risk of cVDPVs.)

There is no doubt that the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic was a period of extreme uncertainty for global polio eradication efforts and for immunization efforts overall. Within a few months, though, the PolioPlus program adapted and learned new ways of working to ensure that polio immunization activities could safely continue. At the same time, those who work in polio eradication used their expertise and the GPEI used its infrastructure to support the response to COVID-19.

### Overcoming challenges

The situation in Afghanistan presents more uncertainty but also possible opportunities.. [Read more.](#)

### ***SNAPS FROM THE NIGHT.....***





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**Ever notice that anyone going slower than you is an idiot, but anyone going faster is a maniac?**

