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BULLETIN NO: 13.

Thursday 23rd September 2021.

SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY 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 30 th Sept.	Thursday 7 th Oct.	Thursday 14 th Oct.
PROGRAMME:	Social Night	Greg Conkey Mayor of Wagga	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Margaret Keys	Karel Bijker David Kennedy	Karel Bijker MaryAnn Kelly
SHORT & SWEET:	Graham Russell	Gerry Page	Don Pembleton
FINES-MASTER:	Lyndal Seymour	MaryAnn Kelly	Peter Olson
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Music Trivia (Mike Murray)	Neil Hilpern	Tony Hutchinson
VOTE OF THANKS:		Allan Duffus	Margaret Everett
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Don Pembleton	Bryan Short	Peter Veerhuis
MEETINGS:	Board meeting 8pm		

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 same 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: -

President **Alan Lean** welcomed a good roll up of 35 members. It was wonderful to be meeting in person once again. We welcomed our guest speaker Trevor Beckwith and visiting Rotarian Scott Brayden (Murrumbidgee), along with David Post and Karen Walsh who were guests of Peter and Vida Smart. There were 8 apologies.



- **Watch out** for an article in the Daily Advertiser regarding the donation of a **surplus microscope from Calvary Hospital** to our projects in Timor Leste (organised by Alok Sharma).
- **Terry Mecham** was invited up to report on the provision of casserole dinners for the residents of **Lilier Lodge** on Wednesday. Terry thanked those who volunteered their culinary delights and reported having received a 'thank you' from the ladies in charge at the Lodge. They are planning a cook-book and especially liked Fran's Sticky Date pudding. Terry misses the interaction we have with the residents when we can attend in person to do our catering, which adds a lot to the project.
- The new date proposed for **Shine Recognition Awards** is Thursday 24th March 2022.
- **Upcoming Programs:**
 - The possibility of a *Cultural Weekend* eg a weekend camp-out by the river, was 'floated' and met with a splash of affirmative responses.
 - With October being Rotary Mental Health Month, the possibility of a Hat Night program will be looked at. A guest speaker on ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children), will be organised.
 - The District Governor, Leo Farrelly, will visit our club in January 2022.
- There will be a **Board Meeting** after this Thursday's club meeting.
- Members who wish to **donate to the club's coffers** what they have saved from a few weeks of zoom, can organise it via Treasurer Nepal or at the attendance table.
- Alan stressed the importance of registering your apology if you are unable to attend a meeting. If you don't register an apology, it is assumed that you will be in attendance and a meal will be ordered for you (which means our club will be billed for it!) Ring the Country Club **OFFICE** (not the Bar!) on 69226444 by 2.30 Wednesday.



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Short & Sweet:

David Payne opened with an earthquake story, when creaking coming from upstairs during the quake led Fran to believe that someone may have been hiding up there. The natural world was focused on again when he enlightened us about the significance of the spring equinox, which happens around this date in September, when day and night lengths are equal – in Wagga this happened on the 19th September. (Sunrise 6.04am, Sunset 6.04pm)

In table talk, Bill Prest informed those around him about Meridian Park at Marulan, where a plaque notes the fact that the significant 150-degree meridian crosses Australia at that point, with Marulan the only town in the world on its path.

Editor's note: It is significant because it marks the exact middle of the Australian Eastern Standard Time Zone. (Can't help it....I'm a Science teacher!)



The meeting ended for any observers of the natural world, with a huge orange moon rising from the Lake – a wonderful world – pity about the humans!

Finesmaster:



Paul Galloway also focused on the earthquake asking 'did the earth move for you on Wednesday?' and fining those with both responses.

He collected fines from past weeks zoom meetings, and those whose teams are footy 'feather-dusters'.

Paul then worked his way through 'Horror-scopes' for the various club members offering one view of their outlook in return for a fine.

Guest Speaker:

Our very interesting speaker, **Trevor Beckwith**, was introduced by Peter Smart.

Trevor is a member of the Wagga Figure Drawing Group, an artist group who meet regularly with a focus on drawing the human figure. They access models prepared to pose naked, from various local sources including some from Trevor's own workplace. They draw the models in a variety of classic poses and consider that live models provide a different focus/ interaction to drawing from photographs etc. They start with short 40 second poses and then move to 5 and 10 minute poses. Trevor



illustrated his talk with visuals of the sketches emanating from the sessions.

He has often been surprised at the willingness of many volunteers to accept the challenge of 'baring all' in the interests of art. The much larger percentage of model volunteers are female. Why model? –a certain amount of money is paid, but some seem to regard it as character building/ therapy/ reinventing themselves viz " if I can stand up and model naked, I can do anything". Some see it as a positive experience, & some ask for a souvenir of the sketch. Sometimes a sketch may be done on commission.

The artist group are conscious of OH & S – eg poses kept for too long can affect circulation, models have the right to refuse certain poses, & hygiene aspects receive focus.

In question time it emerged that Trevor has also done sculptural work, including entries at the 'Spirit of the Land' event at Lockhart.



Trevor was thanked for his very well presented and interesting look behind the art scene, by Philip Cross.

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

- 24 March 2022 Wagga Rotary Shine Recognition Function
- 14/15 May 2022 Wagga Rotary Book Fair

HAPPY SNAPS.....



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(27th Sept – 3rd Oct)

Birthdays: David Kennedy (28/9), Bill Prest (30/9),
Bruce Heydon (2/10), Margaret Everett (3/10)

Rotary Anniversaries: Gordon Saggars (27/9/1974)

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil

