



**ROTARY CLUB
OF WAGGA WAGGA**

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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?

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Thursday 5th May 2022.

MAY IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

Club meets at the WAGGA WAGGA COUNTRY CLUB, **6:00 PM for 6.30 PM** (unless stated otherwise below).

Duty Roster Please arrange for a replacement if you cannot fulfil your rostered duty & inform our Bulletin Reporter: -

	Thursday 12 th May	Thursday 19 th May	Thursday 26 th May
PROGRAMME:	BOOK FAIR prep Kyeamba Smith Hall	Book Fair Wrap-up Country Club	TBA
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker	Vicky Donoghue Geoff Treloar	Karel Bijker Cat Daly
SHORT & SWEET:	N/R	David Friedlieb	John Heazlewood
FINES-MASTER:	N/R	Mary Anne Kelly	Peter Olsen
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	N/R	N/R	Ellen Brasier
VOTE OF THANKS:	N/R	N/R	David Wynne
BULLETIN REPORTER:	David Kennedy	Vida Smart	Page, Gerry
MEETINGS:		?Board?	

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

IMPORTANT: If you're unable to attend a meeting: **Please lodge an apology with THE COUNTRY CLUB OFFICE** ☐ 6922 6444 (Ext. 1) by **NOON on TUESDAY** (or pre-record same in the book provided at the meeting attendance table).

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

COMING MEETINGS

THIS WEEK 12th May – Book Fair Uplift.... meeting at Kyeamba Smith Hall after 3.45pm.

Thursday 19th May – Book Fair Wrap-up at the Country Club.

MEETING REPORT FOR 5th MAY

Attendance



Our meeting this week was held at the Country Club. In the absence of President Alan, PP David Payne called the meeting to order. Thirty one members welcomed special guest Renas Khalaf, his sister Midya and his father. The Invocation was followed by a Toast to Rotary International and to our own Club. It was noted that the dreaded C-bug has found its way to several members, prompting a timely reminder to maintain Covid-safe practices.

Club Business:-.

- PP David informed members that he had volunteered to be our Club representative on the joint Clubs' **Peace City activities** committee.
- Graeme Callander volunteered to attend **Clontarf Breakfast** on Friday 5th to replace Alan Lean.

The roster for the remainder of second term is set out below. There are some spaces See Secretary Ellen to nominate while Vida is away.

Date	Name 1	Name 2
Fri 13 May..... Book Fair Prep Day. No Rotary Visit		
Fri 20 May @ 0800	Tony Hutchinson	
Fri 27 May @ 0800	Brad Bland	David Wynne
Fri 3 June @ 0800	David Kennedy	David Friedlieb
Fri 10 June @ 0800	David Cannon	Peter Olson
Fri 17 June @ 0800	David Payne	John Heazlewood
Fri 24 June @ 0800		
Fri 1 July.....Last day of Term 2. No Rotary Visit		

- **RYDA seminars** are being conducted at the Wagga Showground during the coming week. **Members who have volunteered** to assist on our Club's rostered day (**Thursday**) should be at the Showground at approximately 9.00 a.m.
- The Wagga Multicultural Council is hosting a **Men's Health Expo** along similar lines to the Women's Expo which was held recently. Our Club has been invited to 'man' a stall providing information about the benefits of joining Rotary. When? **Wednesday 18th May**, 11am-2.30pm. Lunch, tea and coffee are provided. Any members interested in helping out, please talk to Elaine Almond or Mike Murray.

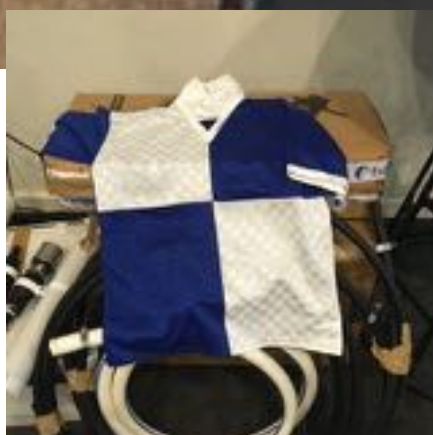


- Last Sunday, Ellen Brasier and Vicky Donoghue travelled to Canberra to participate in a seminar designed to improve the way our Club could use Facebook to promote our activities. An initiative of the District Communications & IT Committee, this day was packed with well-presented and useful information. Hats off to presenter Tim Egan and all those involved in providing this opportunity.



- The **District 9705 Learning & Development Day** (Formerly known as the District Gathering) will be held in Parkes on **Saturday 21st May**. The day is a way for any Rotarian interested in learning more about Rotary, the Foundation, and the general organization of Clubs. All members are invited to attend, but it is particularly important for those who are taking on Board positions, committee members, or project organisers in the coming Rotary year. Go to rotary9705.org.au to register.

- Gary Roberts reported to members that following the recent visit to our Club by Dr Luc, a large quantity of goods has been collected and sent to Adelaide for eventual shipping to the Democratic Republic of Congo. Several of our members assisted with the collection of classroom furniture (desks, chairs etc), as well as a set of sports shirts which were all surplus to needs from Red Hill Public School. Several trailer loads were taken to the Ron Crouch depot to await transport to Adelaide where the shipment to the Congo is being organised. Along with the furniture and shirts, our Club sent two water filtration units as part of our commitment to assist Dr Luc's efforts in his country.



Our Newest Member:-



PP David had the pleasure of inviting Renas Khalaf to become the newest member of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga. Peter Veerhuis provided the traditional introduction of

Renas to members, describing him in three words: "Persistent, Determined, Ambitious". Renas has already demonstrated his enthusiasm for club activities. He introduced himself to our Club by volunteering at last year's Book Fair and he has been a friend of WWRC ever since. It was a pleasure to welcome Renas's sister and father to witness his induction. All members in attendance were delighted that Renas has become a member at last. Renas's mentors will be Peter Veerhuis and David Wynne.



Short & Sweet:-



Nepal Ghosh stepped into this space at short notice, putting all his 'Toastmasters' skills to use. Nepal's mother is currently visiting from Bangladesh. When they all went out recently, people said hello to her, and she smiled at them in return, as she speaks no English. Nepal remarked that studies have shown that communication is 93% body language and only 7% verbal. Nepal then focused on the spoken word:

According to UNESCO, there are 7117 languages in the world (Australia has more than 200 languages). English is the most commonly spoken language, with 1,132 million speakers. Mandarin

is next with 1,117 million speakers, then Hindi (650 million). Nepal's native language, Bengali is the 7th most commonly spoken language in the world.

International Mother Language Day is celebrated on 21st February each year to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and to promote multilingualism. This date was chosen as it is the anniversary of the day in 1952 when the people of Bangladesh (then East Pakistan) fought (and died) for recognition of the Bengali language after Urdu was declared to be the sole national language of Pakistan. UNESCO formally recognised International Mother Language Day in 1999, and the United Nations declared 2008 as the International Year of Languages.

Every culture in the world deserves to have the opportunity to maintain its unique language.

Finesmaster:-.



Gerry Page managed to extract a haul of funds from all those present. Starting with ‘the usual suspects’—those with birthdays, anniversaries etc, he then moved on to anyone who attended Wagga Gold Cup Carnival, or had a bet, and anyone who is yet to put a Book Fair advertising sign in their car window. He also imposed a fine on all members who will be absent from our Book Fair weekend. A special fine was issued to PP David, who has recently joined the ranks of the retired. His first task in retirement is to oversee our ‘specials’ table at the Book Fair!

BOOK BOOK BOOK FAIR.

- **Graham Russell addressed the meeting and provided details of what needs to happen in this, the busiest week of the year for our club.**
- Roster nomination sheets were passed around again. The latest version accompanies this bulletin.
- **Program of activity leading up to the Fair is as follows:**
 - **Tuesday approx. 8.30am** Graham R and Bruce H will attend Kyeamba Smith Hall to mark out table locations. Peter O and Mike M volunteered to assist.
 - **Tuesday 10th May 2pm** at Copland Street. Transport of flat boxes, hall signs etc. to Kyeamba Smith Hall.
 - **Wednesday 11th May from 9am** – set up tables at the Hall with assistance of Clontarf boys. Category signs to be placed on tables. **A team of members will be needed to work with the boys and also to construct boxes, so that they are ready around tables for decanting stock. See roster sheet.**
 - **Uplift of stock will be from 2.30pm Thursday 12th May** and a few members will be needed to assist with loading at Copland St. Then **all hands on deck** at Kyeamba Smith Hall for unloading, from around **3.45pm**. KHS students (Graeme C to coordinate) and some volunteers from Wollundry RC will arrive to assist with distribution of stock to tables. **ALL AVAILABLE members attend from approx. 3.30pm to distribute, decant and display books.**
 - **Friday 13th from 10am** – Kyeamba Smith Hall: enhance stock display, erect hall signage etc.
- **At the Book Fair: (wear your Club shirt)**
 - Please read the ‘tips for workers’ page which accompanies this bulletin. It contains important details which will contribute to the success of the Fair.**
 - **Saturday 14th May** — Doors open for sale at 8am. The same entry / exit arrangements as last year will apply. **If you have nominated for starting shift, please arrive by 7.30 am.** Doors close at 5pm.
 - **Sunday 15th May** — Doors open for sale at 9 am. **If you have nominated for starting shift, please arrive by 8.30 am.** Doors close at 3pm. **ALL HANDS ON DECK FOR PACK UP.**



* Brad B, Graeme C and Graham R to **bring builders’ barrows** to be used to assist transport of heavy bags to vehicles.

***BBQ** will be running all day each day. Members of this team will need your assistance to give them a break.

If you see a job that needs doing, do it!

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

- **9-12 May RYDA (Youth Driver Awareness) at Wagga Showground (Our Club is rostered on 12 May from 9am)**
- **14th & 15th May Wagga Rotary Club BOOK FAIR**
- **Sat 21st May District 9705 Learning and Development Seminar Day at Parkes (previously known as District Assembly)**
- **Sun. 5 June Casual Lunch 1pm Riverina Hotel - RSVP to Lyndal**
- **Sat 18th June Wagga Rotaract Club – Changeover**
- **30th June Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga – Changeover NOTE DATE!**
- **1 December Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga SHINE AWARDS**

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(8th May to 15th May)

Birthdays: Joan PAGE 11/5

Rotary Anniversaries: John HEAZLEWOOD 11/05/2017

Wedding Anniversaries: Peter & Vida SMART 9/5 , Alok & Meena SHARMA 11/5



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The questions:

How many books can you fit in an empty bag?
Why did Shakespeare always write with a pen?
Why was the book about mountains so interesting?
Why did the Romanian stop reading for the night?
When is a blue book not blue?

The answers: Sort them out!!

To give his Bucharest.

Pencils were so confusing to him. 2B or not 2B?
Because it has too many cliff-hangers.

When it's read.

One. After that, it's not empty!

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT:

Kyeamba Smith Hall on 12th May

from 3.30 pm