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BULLETIN NO: 5.

Thursday 29th July, 2021.

JULY IS ROTARY NEW LEADERSHIP 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 5 th Aug.	Thursday 12 th Aug.	Thursday 19 th Aug.
PROGRAMME:	EMMAH GUASTELLA. VET SCHOLARSHIP.	BELINDA CRAIN. MULTICULTURAL COUNCIL.	CLUB SOCIAL NIGHT.
ATTENDANCE:	Karel Bijker Paul Galloway	Karel Bijker Vicky Donoghue	Karel Bijker Nepal Ghosh
GREETER:	Not Required	Not Required	Not Required
SHORT & SWEET:	Neil Hilpern	Tony Hutchinson	Mary Ann Kelly
FINES-MASTER:	Peter Olsen	Bryan Short	Gerry Page
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Allan Duffus	Margaret Everett	David Friedlieb
VOTE OF THANKS:	Karel Bijker	Brad Bland	Ellen Brazier
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MEETINGS:	Vocational Service.	-	-

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: -

Club President Alan was again an apology, being still in quarantine with his daughter Sally – whom he had collected from Sydney Airport last week, following her return from Singapore. We look forward to Alan being back with us next week.

In his absence, PP David Friedlieb capably conducted proceedings, with his stated objective being to terminate the meeting by 7:45 PM so that Bruce could be home to watch a telecast of his beloved Sydney Roosters in the NRL.



Acting President David welcomed back PP David Payne after a bit of M&R on the body. It's good to see you back David.

He also congratulated Shirley and Neil Hilpern on their Wedding Anniversary – as well as President Alan Lean on his Birthday.

Attendance.

Thirty-one Members were present plus one guest, Andrew Stow, who was both a visiting Rotarian (Rotary Club of Corrimal) and our Key-Note Speaker.

There were eleven apologies recorded.

Administration Matters.

- There was a Board meeting held last week. Points of interest included: -
 - ➔ That following **Club Distributions** for assistance at the Book Fair, Clontarf have requested that their donation be used to purchase a 'ping-pong' table. We are also waiting to hear from the Koorinal High School Principal and students on what they would like us to do with their donation.
 - ➔ Presidents from all the Wagga Rotary Clubs met and had a positive and constructive discussion on **'What We Can Do Together'**.
 - ➔ The **Timor Leste Clean Water Project** is progressing with advice that Engineers Without Borders has become involved as has T-L Rotaract. It is hoped that 5-10 filtration units can be installed in the next 6 months.
 - ➔ The Club has allocated \$200 for a music trophy for the **Wagga Wagga Eisteddfod**.
 - ➔ An amount of \$5,000-\$5,500 has been allocated to our **Darkness-to-Light Project** to allow some seventy (plus) cataract operations to be carried out in India.
- The **Vocational Services Committee** meeting is deferred to next week due to the unavailability of both Alan and Lyndal this week.
- Lyndal also sent a message that the next **Sunday Lunch** will be at the Riverina Hotel (the corner of Fitzmaurice and Crampton St) this week (1st August). Meet at the Pub around 1:00 PM.
- **Book Fair** Chief Graham Russell reminded us that we are still looking for a book drop off point to replace Elders, preferably in the CBD. We need something before 27th August.
- David Cannon provided an update on **Rob Sharkie** and his health.

Short & Sweet.



Graeme Callander provided our Short and Sweet session this week. He chose to run a short inspirational video showing a single mother that had no arms, but was raising a three year old daughter. Everyone was amazed at the things she could do with her feet and toes. She used them as if they were hands and fingers. The video showed her dressing her daughter, preparing food, cooking, feeding it to her daughter, giving her piggy back rides and countless other everyday things we do with kids.

The reason Graeme chose this subject was that he recently had a birthday and was feeling his age. After seeing the video, it made him feel 'fit as a mallee bull and twice as dangerous'.

We were all incredibly impressed by how this young lady managed her situation. She was awe inspiring.

Fines-Master Session.

Fines Master/Mistress was Mary Ann Kelly.



Raffle winner was PP David Payne who drew his own name out of the barrel – double fine??

Mary Ann cleaned us up by fining everyone who has been watching the Olympics, and in case she missed anyone, another fine for all those who had not been watching. More fines about hanging washing inside with all the wet weather, smiling, kissing (take a bow MM) and troubles opening locked doors. Ellen B. also got into trouble for having no change.

Key-Note Speaker.

Our Guest Speaker was regular visiting Rotarian, Andrew Stow. Andrew told us about his lifelong interest in things maritime which led him to join the volunteer team that sail the Tall Ship 'James Craig'. The ship was built in Sunderland, England in 1874.

The 'James Craig' has sailed the equivalent of 29 times around the world. Andrew spent six years as part of the crew, qualifying as a rigger (with his aloft ticket) and spending many hours clambering up masts, furling and unfurling the sails. He described how the ship usually accompanies the Sydney to Hobart Race yachts out of Sydney Harbour, stopping and getting in their way off Bondi then returning back to the Harbour while the yachts continued to Hobart. He also did trips from Sydney to Hobart for the Australian Wooden Boats Festival (even though she has a wrought iron hull) which is held every second year. He told us the worst hazards at sea, besides the weather, are almost submerged shipping containers, sometimes whales and occasionally sun fish.



The ship usually has a crew of 30 sailors of which 16-17 spend much of their time in the rigging. Her top speed is around 12 knots. It cost almost \$AU30m to restore her over 40 years after she was recovered from Recherche Bay in southern Tasmania in 1972. She had been abandoned there in 1932. It takes around \$1m per annum to maintain her. She receives no government funding, relying on visitors, paying passengers and a very supportive relationship with the Albert family (from the music industry) to keep her going.

It was a very enjoyable presentation with lots of photos, followed by many questions. Thanks Andrew.

The meeting concluded at 7.46 PM much to Bruce Heydon's delight.

NEXT MEETING: -

Our next meeting will be at the Wagga Wagga Country Club where we will host the recipient of our 2021 CSU Veterinary Science scholarship.

Such evenings, where we can witness the good that is derived from our donations, are always enlightening and, often entertaining. This evening is an ideal opportunity for you to invite along a friend/colleague or prospective member to witness how **We Serve to Change Lives**. If inviting guests, please don't forget to advise numbers for catering purposes.



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

- **1st August 2021** **Sunday Lunch – 1:00 PM Riverina Hotel**
- **11/12th September 2021** **Rotary Zone 8 Virtual Conference**
- **22nd September 2021** **Lilier Lodge Barbecue**
- **25th November 2021** **Wagga Rotary Shine Recognition Function**



SOME 'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -



Andrew Stow enlightens the meeting of his six years serving 'Before the Mast'.



Mary Ann Kelly cheerfully grins as she 'lightens our purses'.



Bruce Barber moved a vote of thanks to Andrew on our behalf.



Bill Prest assisting Phil Cross with some issues on the use of a modern smart phone.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(1st Aug – 7th Aug)

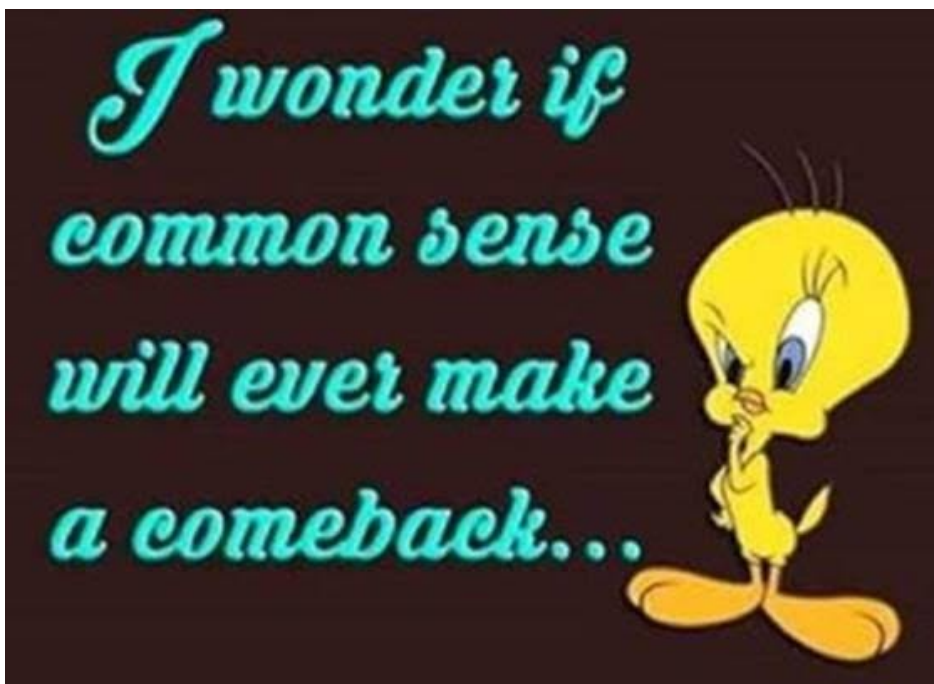
Birthdays: Margaret SAGGERS (2/8) & Graham Gorrel (6/8).

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil.

Wedding Anniversaries: Nil.



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If these last few weeks have taught us anything – it's that stupidity travels faster than any virus on this planet.