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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?

Thursday 2nd June 2022.

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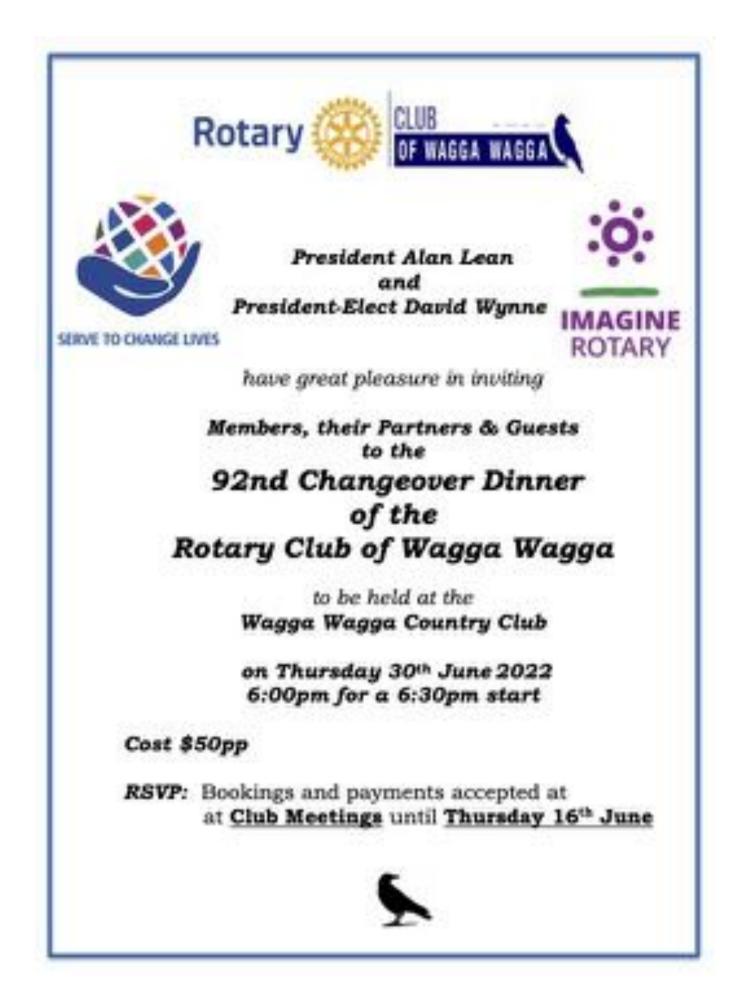
JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH

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 9 th June	Thursday 16 th June	Thursday 23 rd June
PROGRAMME:	Tobias Krebs Animation	Sally Lean Adventures in China 3	John Glassford Sunflowers for Ukraine
ATTENDANCE:	Philip Cross Vicky Donoghue	Nepal Ghosh Vicky Donoghue	David Kennedy Karel Bijker
SHORT & SWEET:	Neil Hilpern	Tony Hutchinson	Lyndal Seymour
FINES-MASTER:	Gordon Saggers	Paul Galloway	David Wynne
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Peter Smart	Philip Cross	Allan Duffus
VOTE OF THANKS:	Bruce Barber	Karel Bijker	Brad Bland
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Ellen Brasier	Peter Veerhuis	Vida Smart
MEETINGS:			

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



COMING MEETINGS

Thursday 9th June: our guest will be Tobias Krebs, who will be speaking about Animation. Thursday 16th June: we will welcome back Sally Lean, who will be recounting more of her adventures.

MEETING REPORT FOR 2ND JUNE

Attendance:-

Thirty-five members rose for the toast and invocation at the invitation of President Alan at our meeting this week. A special welcome was given to Honorary Member Graham Gorrell. Alan also acknowledged all those who celebrated birthdays and anniversaries during the week, making particular note of one Rotary Anniversary, namely that of Graham Russell who marked 43 years as a member, having been inducted on 30th May 1979.



Club Business:-

- 'Changeover season' is well and truly upon us, and Secretary Ellen informed members of the growing list of Club functions to which members are invited. These include
 - Rotaract Club of Wagga Wagga, on Saturday evening, 18th June.
 - Rotary Club of Junee, on Sunday (lunch event), 26th June
 - Rotary Club of Wollundry, on Tuesday evening, 28th June
 - Rotary Club of Coolamon, on Monday evening, 4th July

Details for RSVP etc for all of these functions appear at the end of this bulletin.

Our own Club Changeover Dinner will take place at our 'home', the Wagga Wagga Country Club on Thursday evening, 30th June. Members are asked to book and pay for themselves and their guests (\$50pp) at one of the <u>next two meetings</u>.

- With our Changeover fast approaching, all members who are responsible for an Annual Report are reminded of the urgency of providing these to Graeme Callendar <u>at their earliest</u> <u>convenience</u> so that the Changeover booklet can be formatted and published. Email is the most convenient method of submission. Please do not 'over-format' reports, as a standard font and size will be applied prior to publication.
- Members are reminded of the necessity of maintaining a current Working With Children Check. These are cost-free (from Service NSW) for Volunteers.
- The Club Website (waggarotary.org) is slowly being updated. Vicky would appreciate any up-todate information which would be suitable for publication. Currently, there is no information about the fabulous work our Club has done in Timor Leste, and our Darkness to Light and Shine Awards information needs refreshing. Any suggestions about how we can make better use of this site would be very welcome.
- Youth Director Vida will be representing our Club at a ceremony next week to make a presentation to the recipient of a VET scholarship which is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga.

> Roster for Clontarf breakfast visits appears below:

Date	Name 1	Name 2		
Fri 10 June @ 0800	David Cannon	Peter Olson		
Fri 17 June @ 0800	David Payne	John Heazlewood		
Fri 24 June @ 0800	David Wynne	Ron Crouch		
Fri 1 JulyLast day of Term 2. No Rotary Visit				

Short & Sweet:-



Bruce Heydon packed a wealth of information into his not-so-Short & Sweet presentation. He recounted the story of John Eric Murray (30 August 1907-11 December 1983), who was probably better known as Jack Murray or 'Gelignite Jack'.

Jack was an Australian racing driver and sportsman, most remembered for his participation in the REDEX Round Australia Trials in the 1950's. The REDEX events were termed 'reliability trials'. They were not races as such, nor were they rallies. But there were 'winners', who needed to accumulate the least number of 'penalties' by arriving at control points within set time limits.

Jack's exploits and achievements could easily fill a 'guest

speaker' sized spot, but Bruce managed to distil just a few highlights for the enjoyment of members:

- Murray gained his nickname during the 1954 REDEX 1000 Mile Trial (which he won). He and his co-driver Bill Murray (no relation) took boxes of gelignite on the trial with the intention of clearing any fallen trees or other obstacles blocking the narrow outback roads. It was never used or required for this intended purpose. The gelignite became Jack's toy.... "Gelignite wouldn't hurt a flea out in the open. It's just the same as a cracker, only louder." He competed in the 'Grey Ghost', a 1947 Canadian-build Ford, arguably the most famous racing Taxi of all time.
- Jack and his brother Ray 'competed' in the 1955 REDEX Trial, which he described as a 'shemozzle'. As the trial neared completion, an originally unplanned diversion adjoining Werong Station (near Murrumbateman, Wee Jasper and 12km south of Yass), designed to determine the winner, meant that some cars and their drivers were bogged for ten hours or more. Jack did not go through the bog section as he summed it up when he saw the first car bogged. So, he turned around and went through a route check the



wrong way and thought he would have copped a penalty. But the bog section was eventually cancelled. Jack and Ray were running third at that stage, having lost only 36 points. In protest at the inclusion of the diversion through the bog, Jack did not submit his car for scrutineering 'within the requisite time' and was disqualified.

- In the 1956 Ampol Trial, Jack and Ray were put out of contention when a stub axle and king pin broke. He was able to get back on the road with a loss of only 70 points thanks to a fellow competitor, who allowed Murray to cannibalise his own car, which had crashed into a tree. Murray lost a further 69 points when he took a wrong turn after Mt. Isa, and ended up at the Mary Kathleen uranium fields. Jack denied he'd got lost. "I've got shares in that company", he said. "I just wanted to see how it was getting on."
- His participation in the 1957 Ampol Trial with navigator Neville Vale ended shortly after leaving Birdsville, when their Fiat 1100 broke an axle. Jack walked back into town and when questioned replied that he was "*testing some new type of shoes*".

In his own words, at different times throughout his life Gelignite Jack was 'engaged in various sports with various successes': cycling, VFL schoolboy football, stock car racing, hill-climbing motor races, circuit car racing, car endurance events, Australian and NSW Grand Prix Racing, International and Australian rally driving, wrestling, boxing, crocodile kangaroo and buffalo hunting, ocean boat racing and water-skiing—to name most, but not all. Jack even raced a bathtub once, with the plug in.

An Australian legend. (He is worth a visit to the internet to read more!!)

Fines-Master Session.

The flow of funds into the donation boxes was constant as Bryan Short managed to fine just about everyone in the room—and many were hit multiple times! In his sights were those who

- Win raffles..... (congratulations Don!)
- Have birthdays and anniversaries.
- Have spent more than half of their life as a member of Rotary..... (pay up Graham!)
- Buy only the weekend edition of the newspaper (so they can keep up with the 'hatched, matched and dispatched')
- Don't buy newspapers at all..... (double fine, as you have spare \$)
- Get their news the 'lazy way'—from TV or the internet.
- Live in Glenfield—in recognition of your next fast-food franchise coming soon.
- Have children or grandchildren who have recently graduated from CSU or are ex-staff members..... celebrate by paying a fine!

And some closing thoughts from Bryan...

- 1. Blessed are the young as they shall inherit the national debt. (Herbert Hoover)
- No one political party can fool all the people all the time. That's why we have 2 parties. (*Bob Hope*)
- It would be nice to spend billions on schools, roads and health, but just now, that money has been desperately needed for political advertising. (*Satirist Andy Borowitz*)
- 4. The problem with political jokes is that they tend to get elected. (Henry Kate)
- **5.** In a country well governed, poverty is something to be ashamed of; in a country badly governed, wealth is something to be ashamed of. (*Confucius*)
- 6. People should not be afraid of their government; government should be afraid of the people. (*Alan Moore*)



<u>GUEST SPEAKER: -</u>



David Cannon stepped up to introduce Wayne Flood, the Club Manager at PCYC Wagga. He remarked that this visit is greatly anticipated, and a long time coming, with Covid and the demands of overseeing the construction of the new facility having caused several postponements.

The PCYC movement celebrated 80 years of existence in April of this year, and Wagga's PCYC has been providing services to the Wagga's community, particularly to young people for the past 60 years. PCYC is a registered charity and gains its operating revenue from active fundraising as well as from the provision of fee-paying activities. It also relies on the contributions made by community volunteers. PCYC never loses sight of the need to provide services

and support to those who do not have the means to pay fees, and work hard to ensure access for all. The new facility which is currently under construction will allow major expansion of services and programs.

With spaces for a wide range of activities, and a seating capacity for approx. 1500 people, it is hoped that the new PCYC will be an attractive option not only for sporting clubs, but for conventions/conferences, thus becoming another drawcard for events which will benefit the wider Wagga economy.

The new building will be ready for use later this year, with a soft launch in October and an official Gala Dinner Launch scheduled for November. When the old facility in Gurwood Street becomes vacant, it will be sold.

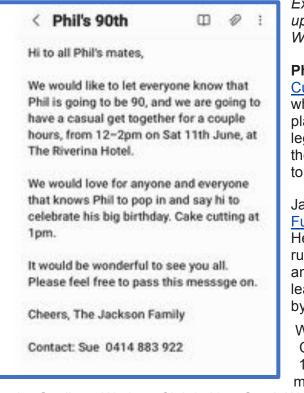
Membership of PCYC is available to the whole community. Junior membership currently stands at \$15 pa, and adult membership is \$30. Participation in Club activities may also incur a small charge. The Club waives these fees in cases of hardship. Currently, membership numbers are quite low.... approx. 580 members, but with the new and highly visible facility it is hoped that within the next 12 months this will grow to more than 2000.

In concluding his presentation, Mr Flood acknowledged the important contributions of the Police and the Community, and expressed his optimism for the future of PCYC in Wagga Wagga.

Elaine Almond expressed members' appreciation for Mr Flood's attendance, presenting him with a Certificate and the Club's promise to immunise ten children 'somewhere in the world' against Polio through a contribution to the Polio Plus campaign.



<u>DON'T FORGET</u>:-



Extract from Phil's profile on Wikipedia. Perhaps it needs updating to say that he joined the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga and remains an Honorary Member!!

Phil Jackson (born c. 1932) is an English <u>World</u> <u>Cup</u> winning former professional <u>rugby league</u> footballer who played in the 1950s and 1960s. He was a <u>captain</u>, playing as a <u>centre</u>, or <u>stand-off</u>, as well as a <u>Barrow</u> club legend. Jackson won 27 <u>Great Britain</u> caps, played in the <u>1954</u> and <u>1957 Rugby League World Cups</u> and twice toured Australasia with the Lions.^{[1][2][3]}

Jackson was born in Canada but moved to <u>Barrow-in-Furness</u>, England, with his parents at the age of three. He played <u>rugby league</u> at school but his first senior rugby experience came in rugby union after he took up an apprenticeship at a shipyard. He switched to rugby league when he was offered professional terms by <u>Barrow</u> in 1950 at the age of 18.

With Barrow, where he was known as the 'Prince Among Centres', he played in three Challenge Cup finals in the 1950s. Injury forced him to retire in 1959 but in 1960 he moved to Australia and was tempted back into playing by

the Goulburn Workers Club in New South Wales.^{[4][5]} In the role as player coach, he led the club to a <u>Group 8</u> premiership.^[6] The club was also awarded the <u>Clayton Cup</u> for being the best performed team in country New South Wales in 1960.^[7] He continued coaching after retiring as a player and eventually settled in <u>Wagga Wagga</u>.



District 9705 Changeover 2022 The D9705 changeover celebration will be held on the 2 July at the Mittagong RSL. SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES Registrations are now open and will close on the 25th June.

Register on the District 9705 website: https://rotary9705.org.au

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

- Sun 5th June **Casual Lunch 1pm Riverina Hotel - RSVP to Lyndal**
- Wagga Rotaract Club Changeover Sat 18th June
- Sat 25th June **BBQ** for Multicultural Council Event 11am-4pm
- Sun 26th June **Rotary Club of Junee – Changeover (Lunchtime event)**
- Tue 28th June **Rotary Club of Wollundry — Changeover**
- Thu 30th June **Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga – Changeover**
- **District 9705 Changeover (at Mittagong)** Sat 2 July
- Mon 4th JulyRotary Club of Coolamon Changeover
- Wed 6th July **Casseroles for Lilier Lodge**
- Wed 21st Sept BBQ for Lilier Lodge
- Thu 1st December Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga SHINE AWARDS
- 20/21 May '23 Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga BOOK FAIR

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(5th to 11thJune)

Birthdays: Alf Barzen (5/6), Rob Sharkie (6/6), Carol Studdert (8/6) Phil Jackson (9/6), Vida Smart (9/6), Marnie Duffus (10/6)

Rotary Anniversaries: Nil



Wedding Anniversaries: Graeme & Bronwyn Callander (11/6), Peter & Wendy Harding (11/6)



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If the person who invented Walkie Talkies named everything.....



Hippo—floaty bloaty

Spoon—soupy scoopy

Limousine—roomy vroomy

Life jacket—boaty coaty

Nightmare—screamie dreamie

- Stamps—lickie stickie
- Operation of the second start of the second
- e Bumble bees—fuzzy buzzy
- Pregnancy test—maybe baby
- e Bra—breasty nesty
- Fork—stabby grabby

Can you think of any others??

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT:

The Country Club on Thursday 9th June

Please register apologies and guests by NOON on Tuesday 7th June.

Rotaract Club of Wagga Wag	a Changeover
When'T Saturday 18 June 2022	N.1. 1.0
What? Bowling from Spin at Wagga Bowl and Enter	taisment
Centre (\$30 for games)	
Dinner from 7.30pm at Riverina Hotel (buy y	our own dinner from the bar)
RSVP: IMPORTANT: use the Eventbrite link below	to register and pay for your
bowling. Ticket sales for bowling will close or	Friday 10 June so the correct
number of lanes can be booked at the venue.	It is possible to RSVP for dinner
after this date, but WHY WAIT??	
https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wagga rotaract bow	ing changeover tickets 326639626917
Details? Dress code is casual, but don't for	get to bring some socks to wear
for bowling.	
Any questions? Contact Matthew Crouch, Gub Pres	ident.
Email: waggewagge@rotaract.org.au	
Mole: 0434 392 875	



ShelterBox



TRAINING DAY

KILLS FOR RING

We are excited to bring this year's Volunteer Training Day to Canberra and Invite anyone interested in ShelterBox to come and find out more.

DATE: SATURDAY 18TH JUNE TIME: 9AM-4PM WHERE: CANBERRA LOCATION

- Understand ShelterBox and how we work
 Become familiar with our aid
 Find out about the different roles at ShelterBox and how you can make a difference

