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**BULLETIN NO: 12.**

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2023.**

### SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

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

**Duty Roster:** Arrange a replacement if you can't fulfil your duty & inform the Bulletin Reporter, or pre-advise via the "Red Book"

	Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept.	Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> October	Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> October
<b>PROGRAMME:</b>	Matthew Crouch Rotaract	Jim Hutchinson Transgrid	TBC
<b>ATTENDANCE:</b>	Ellen Brasier Elle Palmer	David Kennedy Anthony Bosco	Jenny Masters Emily Bosco
<b>SHORT &amp; SWEET:</b>	Brad Bland	Geoff Treloar	Peter Veerhuis
<b>FINES-MASTER:</b>	John Heazlewood	Alok Sharma	Tony Hutchinson
<b>INTRODUCE SPEAKER:</b>	Gary Roberts	David Cannon	TBA
<b>VOTE OF THANKS:</b>	Shishir Bhengra	Brad Bland	Ellen Brasier
<b>BULLETIN REPORTER:</b>	David Payne	Emily Bosco	Vicky Donoghue
<b>MEETINGS:</b>			

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

**RSVP For Meetings:** Members are required to register their attendance (plus that of any guests) **BEFORE NOON ON THE MONDAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING** by using the link in an email that they receive each week. Failure to respond to the email by the deadline will mean no meal will be ordered for you. It is courteous to register your apology.

- Members who have problems with registration should not hesitate to contact Graeme or Vicky.
- RSVP for Visitors: please contact Club Sergeant Graeme Callander (graeme.callander43@gmail.com), or phone Vicky on 0407 586186 as early as possible.

## ***MEETING REPORT: -***

### **Attendance.**

**President Peter Olson** opened the meeting with a toast recognizing 21<sup>st</sup> September as the UN's International Day of Peace, and as a nod to popular culture, Earth, Wind and Fire's Song. He welcomed 35 fellow Rotarians and 7 special guests. Graeme Callander introduced his wife Bronwyn and son Hayden, plus Michelle and Lorrie, daughters of the late Laurie Fromholtz who was a long-time member of this club. Nepal Ghosh introduced his guest Tony, and Anthony Bosco introduced returning guests (from the Bike Canteen) Olivia Jones and Tom Lemerle.



### **Administration Matters.**

The following items were discussed: -.

- **H E L P ! Beers & Gears needs more helpers for Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Oct..** If you can assist please let **Secretary Ellen**. Know **ASAP**
- The **attendance reminder** continues to be a success. A reminder goes out to all members to indicate if they will attend the next meeting. Please RSVP as soon as you can - if you have followed the prompts correctly you will receive an email reply acknowledging your response. If you **DO NOT** receive an email, **SOMETHING WENT WRONG**. RSVP again
- Last Sunday **'Family Fun Day Out'** at Airborne Gymnastics was attended by Rotarians Geoff and Gary. Not a huge number of families attended, so next month we should try and 'get the word out' about the program. The PR committee has been working hard and are hoping to get more announcements on ABC Radio, 2AAA and 93.1 FM.
- **PR Chair Gary Roberts** encourages members to think about stories that can go on our website, Facebook page etc. For example, work we do out in the community. See Gary for more ideas, information.
- We have a new **BBQ Committee Chair – David Wynne** allowing stalwarts of many years, Terry & Tony, to take a less demanding role.
- **New Membership Directors – Geoff Treloar and Jenny Masters** are taking on this role jointly, and will be inducted next week.
- President Peter encourages the service reports to be put in as and when the committee Chairs are able.
- Mike Murray informed the club the **Big Blokes Lunch**, in aid of Prostate Cancer Research is on the 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023, and he encourages members to put a table together. Talk to him for details.
- **RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)** will be on 6-12 January in Murrumbateman. The club is looking for suitable 18-28 year old candidates. Applications to Vida required by mid-November
- **Sunday Lunch date change.** With the long weekend and the club commitment to the **Beers & Gears, Lyndal's Lunch** outing at the Ashmont Hotel **has been moved** from Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October **to the following Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> Oct.** *It's Fun – So Come – Let Lyndal know .*
- **Regionalization Seminars:** Three Webinars are coming up this week, and questions can be asked during the webinars. Rotarians have to register to attend the Webinar, which you can do via the link on the email. sent out to all Rotarian on 19/09/2023. Entitled: 'Regionalisation Pilot Team'

## **Health Updates**

- Alf Barzen is improving in Calvary hospital after a Heart Attack.
- Alan Lean was home briefly after returning from hospital in Sydney, but has since had to return to Hospital locally for further treatment. He and Alf are in the same room at Calvary Hospital.
- Bruce Barber is also unwell.
- Bill Prest appreciates any visitors who have the time to visit him.

## **Next Meeting**

- This week **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** we have the vibrant **President of Wagga Rotaract, Matthew Crouch** along to tell us about their activities.
- Their **Wild West Trivia Night (last night)** was very successful with some members of our club, part of the throng. Our President Peter was selected for a dress award for his Sheriff outfit, though the table itself was only honoured for filling last place. More pics at: <https://www.facebook.com/rotaract.wagga/>



## **Short & Sweet.**

**John Studdert** entertained us, first in words and then in a poem, with the story of the 'Europa Tour' of 1990. John was Chairman of the Lake Albert Soccer Club that year, and they took fifteen 15yr old boys on a soccer tour of Europe. (Hayden Callander was one of those boys). Through some sponsorship, and lots of fundraising, they raised enough money to cover the total cost of the trip, which took them to Italy, Austria, Germany, France, England and Wales over a 7week period.

They played 13 games in total, having won 6, drew 2, and lost the others. All in all, a great result. They attended many Mayoral receptions, and on their return home, the Mayor of Wagga Wagga received a letter from a host family from Liverpool who were so impressed by David and Michael Gardiner, the two tour members they hosted, and in fact the entire group, that they wrote to the Wagga Mayor to congratulate the group on their visit, and state that they were excellent ambassadors for Wagga Wagga.



## **Fines-Master Session.**

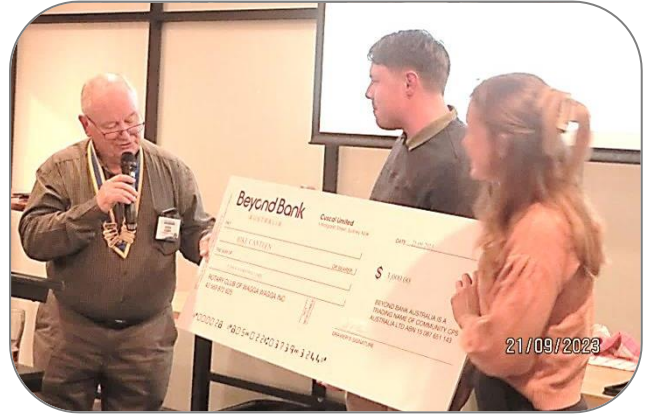
**David Payne** commenced his fine session reminding us that it is only 95 days until Christmas, that the International Day of Peace was established in 1981, and then went on to tell us what else happened on this day over the last century or two.

David fined each table, when a person on that table answered a question correctly, OR incorrectly. Knowledge of books by H G Wells was invaluable, since the author was born on this date in 1866., and he was quite prolific in his writing. (As David mentioned at the start of his fine session, for some reason he inevitably gets around to books when he gets up to do fines etc).



## Presentation to Bike Canteen

President Peter presented Olivia Jones and Tom Lemerle with a cheque for \$3000.00 for their project *Bike Canteen* which we heard about on their recent visit. This was received with gratitude, and Olivia informed the club that she will be doing a 130kms ride on the Sunday of Beers and Gears, so if anyone sees her to please cheer her on. It is the first time she has attempted such a big ride.



## Paul Harris Award Presentation

In a high point of the evening, the award of a Paul Harris Fellowship was made to Hayden Callander. Hayden, the son of Graeme and Bronwyn Callander, studied accounting at University, became a Chartered Accountant and has worked at RSM in Wagga for over 17 years.

He is an innovative business and taxation specialist, and always enthusiastic in his work. He is married to Casey, and has two children, James and Claire. Hayden still enjoys playing soccer (remember he was on the Europa Soccer

Tour), and has now been granted a Life Membership of the Lake Albert Soccer Club, where his love for soccer started. Generous and caring, he also coaches two soccer teams.

This Paul Harris Fellowship is awarded to Hayden as a way to recognize and express the club's appreciation for the on-going professional support Hayden has given this club over the last 8 years. He has audited our books each year without charge, through tough times, and through the Covid Pandemic years. Our club is very fortunate to have Hayden's support.

Whilst President Peter was leading into to the Award, Hayden's family were quietly brought into the room to be there to witness him receiving the award. Hayden was then asked to come up and receive the two Emblems of appreciation given to a Paul Harris Fellow: a Certificate and a Pin. All those present stood and congratulated Hayden with applause.



## **Tribute to Laurie Fromholtz**

After the excitement of the Paul Harris Presentation, there was further buzz to follow as **Graeme Callander** introduced a Tribute session for our late member Laurie Fromholtz, assisted by a team of club members.

Graeme reminded those present that the Late Laurie Fromholtz was a prolific writer of stories. Laurie was born in 1929 and died in 2019 – he joined this club in 1984, and was a member for 35 years. Laurie and his wife Pat, wrote and produced the Club's Bulletin each week for many years, and it was sent out by mail. They were key players in the *Art Show* which the club ran for some years. Laurie wrote a lot of stories about the various club members, which were eventually printed in a book called 'True Tales and Tall'.

(Laurie also wrote a Biography of champion swimmer Bernard Bene Kieran, *The Sabroan Wonder*, which Graeme is happy to loan out). Graeme then read out one of the stories called 'Pools, Ducks and Grandkids', which was written about previous club member Phil Jackson. This involved a complicated and amusing way to remove a duck from a swimming pool.

**The Thirsty Thespian Players** then presented **A Pot Purri of Puckish Perceptions**.by Laurie Fromholz  
Actors: Vida Smart, Graham Russel, Ellen Brasier, Mike Murray, David Kennedy and MaryAnn Kelly  
Narrated by Graeme Callander. Three Sketches were then presented to the audience;

### LATE FOR SCHOOL

This involved a prim and proper teacher, and a very naughty school boy

### COURTING SYLVIA

Traditional phrases of courting, that if not spoken correctly, can lead to a delicate situation. Eg Should have said "I have come to press my suit", NOT "I come to iron my trousers" !

### BEING HENRY FORTESCUE

The life and times of a rascal (ably played by Graham Russell)

Congratulations to Graeme Callander for putting together a wonderful reminder of Laurie Fromholtz's wonderful talents and sense of humour.



**Serious Laurie**



**Fun Laurie**

## FAMILY DAY OUT AT THE GYM - ROSTER: -

- 15<sup>th</sup> October Graeme Callander & Philip Cross
- 19<sup>th</sup> November Ellen Brasier & Vicky Donoghue
- 17<sup>th</sup> December TBA

## **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:** (24<sup>th</sup> Sept. to 30<sup>th</sup> Sept.)

**Birthdays:** Peter Harding (H) 24/9, Jenny Masters 25/9, Gary Roberts 26/9, David Kennedy 28/9,  
Bill Prest (H) 30/9, Fran Mecham 26/9

**Rotary Anniversaries:** Gordon Saggars 27/9/1974

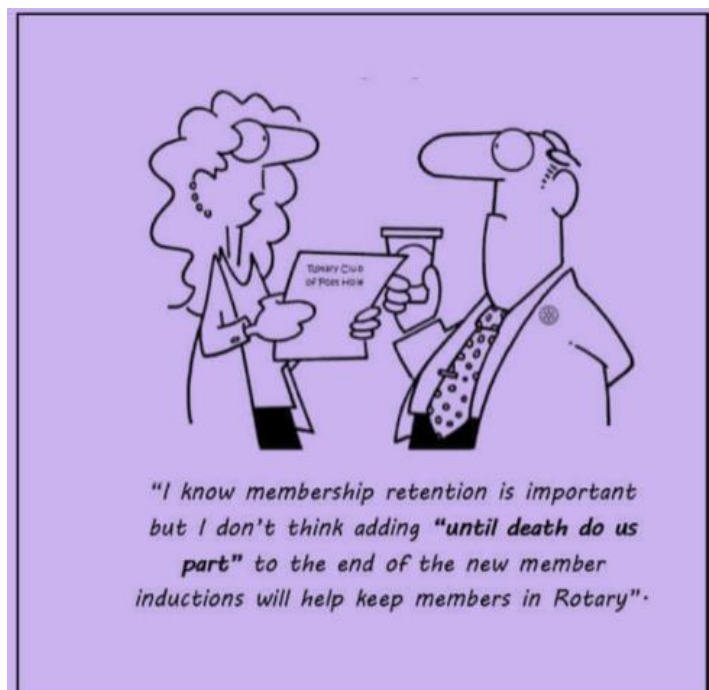
**Wedding Anniversaries:** Nil

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

- Sat. 30<sup>th</sup> September and Sun. 1st October - **Gears & Beers**
- 8<sup>th</sup> October **Sunday Lunch** at the Ashmont Hotel
- 21<sup>st</sup> October **Agricultural Institute Open Day - Barbecue**
- 20-22<sup>nd</sup> October **District D9705 Conference – Queanbeyan**
- Saturday 4 November **Possible Motor Mania BBQ for SW Apex at Go Cart track**
- 10 November, **Biggest Ever Men's Lunch at RSL**
- 30<sup>th</sup> November **RC Wagga – SHINE Awards.**
- 7<sup>th</sup> December **Club Christmas Party - at Galloways**
- 25-29<sup>th</sup> May 2024 **RI Conference – Singapore**
- 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024 **BOOK FAIR**



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***'HAPPY SNAPS' FROM THIS WEEK: -***



**The Players in Action**



**Taking a BBQ back seat**



**Catching up**



**Proud Mum**