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Wagga Rotary Club acknowledges the Wiradjuri People – The traditional owners of the land upon which we meet.

BULLETIN NO: 17.

Thursday 26th October, 2023.

OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 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"

	WEDNESDAY 1 st Nov.	Thursday 9 th Nov.	Thursday 16 th Nov.
PROGRAMME:	Visit to Pomingalarna Bike Centre (5.30pm)	Dr Delwyn Dyal-Smith A Polio Story	Dr Martin Jude Neurosurgery
ATTENDANCE:	Elle Palmer Vicky Donoghue	Vicky Donoghue Anthony Bosco	Tony Blake Vicky Donoghue
SHORT & SWEET:	N/R	Elaine Almond	Performance by Clontarf Dance Troupe
FINES-MASTER:	N/R	David Kennedy	
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Philip Cross	Jenny Masters	TBA
VOTE OF THANKS:	Graham Russell	Neil Hilpern	Mary Ann Kelly
BULLETIN REPORTER:	Gerry Page	Don Pembleton	Bryan Short
MEETINGS:			Board Meeting

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.

- RSVP for Visitors: please phone Vicky on 0407 586186 as early as possible.
- Members who have problems with registration or miss the deadline should not hesitate to contact Vicky.

MEETING REPORT: -

Attendance.



Following a welcome from President Peter, we joined him in the invocation. President Peter proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Nambour in Queensland, who had Clem Renouf as a member, and who went on to become the 1978/79 World President of Rotary International and was responsible for launching the Polio eradication program.

There were 25 members present together with two guests, Clare Lawler and Olivia Jones. We also welcomed Laura Telford who was our guest speaker who filled us in on the new Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Project.

Administration Matters.

President Peter announced the following activities:

- Following a meeting of all Wagga Rotary Presidents, the police have asked that a march be held on **1st December at 10.00am** to march from the beach to Wollundry lagoon in a call to **“Stop the violence / End the silence”**. Domestic Violence. The march will end in a BBQ, which we will run. We are asked to wear our Rotary shirt. The publicity poster for this event appears at the end of this Bulletin.
- **Saturday 4th November**, - South Wagga Apex Motor Mania – we may be running a BBQ
- **Friday 10th November** – Big Blokes’ Lunch at the RSL Club.
- **Tuesday 14th November** – Free Annual Seniors Concert (Civic Theatre)– Rotary to man an information table creating an awareness of what we do.
- **Sunday 18th November**, Corroboree at the Wetlands reserve 11am to 1pm – Wagga BBQ required.
- **Sunday 19th November**, Family Fun Day – Ellen Brasier & Vicky Donoghue rostered on.
- **Thursday 23rd November** – Wagga Rotary AGM. Nomination forms will be available on 9th November.
- **Thursday 7th December OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY AT THE GALLOWAYS**. Details of cost and how to pay will be available shortly.
- **Sunday 17th December**: Family Fun Day
- Vacant slots on the Clontarf Breakfast roster were filled by Margaret Everett and Peter Olson.

Next Meeting.

Our meeting this week will be on **Wednesday 1st November at the Pomingalarna Cycling Complex**, commencing at **5.30pm**. Meet at the entrance at the left of the City Golf Club car park. **Rob Owers** will take us on a tour of the facility for approximately 1 hour. There will be opportunity for questions as we go. A booking has been made for an optional informal dinner gathering at the Ashmont Inn following our tour. Please RSVP before the usual Monday deadline if you wish to join us.

Short & Sweet.

Peter Veerhuis presented us with a most interesting “Short & Sweet” about popular proverbs such as:

A picture is worth a thousand words
Absence makes the heart grow
fonder.
All good things must come to an end



The pen is mightier than the sword
Keep your friends close, and your enemies
closer.
and many others...

Fines-Master Session.

Our fine master was Mike Murray who successfully fined everyone present, and many more than once. He also noted (and paid the fine) that he joined Rotary on 24/10/1991 and was celebrating his 32 years as a Rotarian.

Some of the fines which were hung on different members were:

- “I don’t mind coming to work, but the 8 hours wait to go home is just ridiculous.”
- “All the dogs in the kennels have been stolen. The police say they have no subjects, but they’ve got plenty of leads.”
- “Had some pathology tests and the doctor phoned back soon after and said he had some good news and some bad news. I said, ‘give me the good news’, he said “They are going to name a disease after you”.

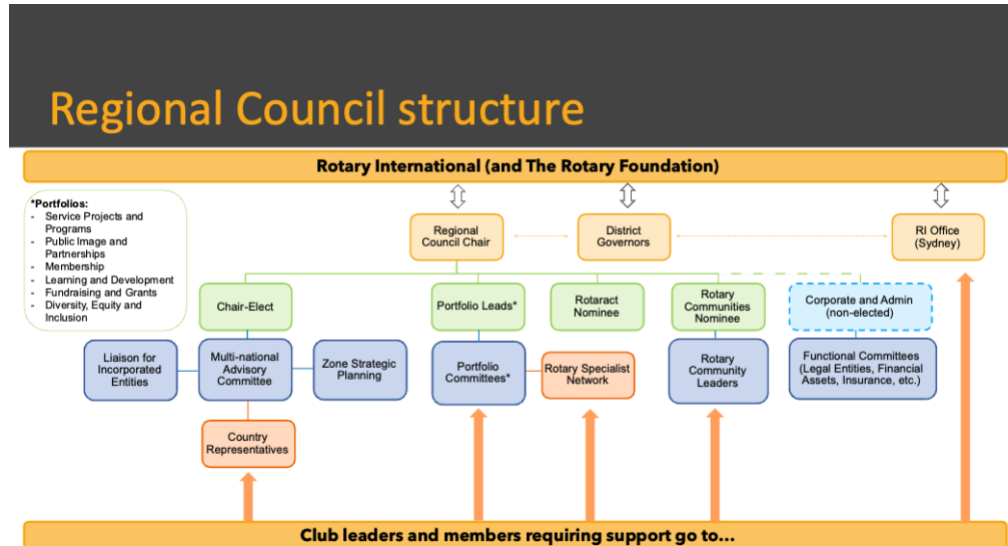


Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker was Laura Telford from Canberra. She is the immediate Past Chairman of Rotaract Australia MDIO, and a Zone 8 Regionalisation Steering Group Committee Member 2021-2024.

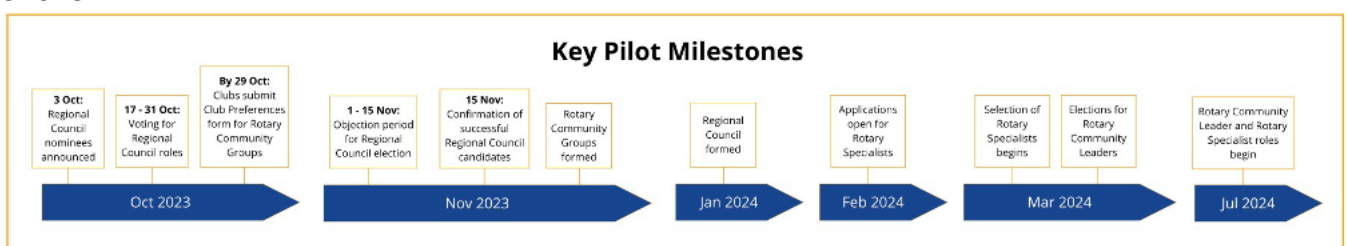
Under difficult circumstances (an electrical problem at the RSL resulted in no microphone, and the projector failing to connect with the computer, so visuals were restricted to laptops), Laura informed members about the implementation of the Regionalisation Pilot which is due to commence soon.

The purpose of the re-organisation is to try and stop the downward trend of Rotary membership. Under the proposed new structure there will be a Regional Council and under them, District Officers who will oversee interaction between clubs.



The local club is still at the centre of the structure with group specialists available to help with any problems such as membership, governance, youth programs, administration, legal advice, and public image.

There are 18 districts in the current zone, and a multi-national Advisory Committee sits above all the clubs in the zone.



A survey is being released at the end of the month, and each member is asked to participate. These surveys will then be returned, and clubs will be grouped according to the results and interests portrayed from the surveys.

The project is anticipated to commence in the middle of next year. John Heazlewood thanked Laura for taking the time to travel from Canberra to be with us and for persevering in the face of the technology issues.



FAMILY DAY OUT AT THE GYM - ROSTER: -

- 19th November Ellen Brasier & Vicky Donoghue
- 17th December TBA

CLONTARF FRIDAY BREAKFASTS at Mount Austin High School

Fri 3/11 @ 0800	Don Pembleton John Studdert
Fri 10/11 @ 0800	Peter Smart Lyndal Seymour
Fri 17/11 @ 0800	David Payne Geoff Treloar
Fri 24/11 @ 0800	Margaret Everett
Fri 1/12 @ 0800	Peter Olson
Fri 8/12 @ 0800	David Wynne Tony Hutchinson
End of Term 4 is Thurs. 18 th Dec 2023	

Clontarf Foundation invites you as a special guest to the

2023

Mount Austin Clontarf Academy End of Year Awards

Join the boys, staff and teachers to celebrate the achievements of the Mount Austin Clontarf Academy in 2023



Tuesday 7th November, 5.00pm - 6.00pm
Mount Austin High School, Leavenworth Drive

All family and community members welcome!

We will have a BBQ dinner following the awards

Please RSVP to Nick Skinner - 0420 780 044

Clontarf has issued an open invitation to any members of our Club to attend their annual awards night.

RSVP is essential.

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

- **Saturday 4 Nov** Possible Motor Mania BBQ for SW Apex at Go Kart track
- **Tuesday 7 Nov** Clontarf Presentation Evening (RSVP essential)
- **Friday 10 Nov** Biggest Ever Blokes' Lunch at RSL
- **Saturday 18 Nov** Corroboree BBQ at the Wetlands Reserve 11am – 3pm
- **Thursday 7 Dec** Club Christmas Party - at Galloways
- **Friday 1 Dec** 'Stop the Violence; End the Silence' march
- **18th & 19th May** 2024 BOOK FAIR
- **25-29th May 2024** RI Conference – Singapore

