

The Keyway

ROTARY CLUB OF WAGGAWAGGA SUNRISE Inc Chartered 1991

PO Box 5430 Wagga Wagga 2650 NSW



Meeting Venue: Mantra Pavilion, Kincaid Street, Wagga Wagga

Meeting Time: Breakfast commences 7.00am followed by meeting completed by 8.30am

FEBRUARY is PEACE & CONFLICT RESOLUTION MONTH

FOR YOUR CALENDAR: 2018

14-16 Sep

Fr 16 Feb Fr 16 Feb Tu 20 Feb 23-24 Feb Tu 27 Feb	Social Social Meeting District Meeting	Chinese New Year Dinner - Bidgee Dragons Trivia Night - Murrumbidgee RC Nepal and Cheque presentation to Wagga Hospital + Board Report 25th anniversary of Peace Communities Program Domestic Violence Report
Fr 17 Mar Fr 17 Mar	RI Service	Peace-Building Conference 2018, Sydney Rotary Police Officer of the Year
5-6 May	District	2018 Conference, Leeton
23-27 Jun	RI	RI Convention Toronto, Canada

Meeting No 31 - 13 February, 2018

Zone

TODAY'S PROGRAM: ANNUAL PEACE DAY CEREMONY and PEACE COMMUNITIES PROGRAM 25th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Zone 8 Australian & New Zealand Conference

ANNUAL PEACE CEREMONY: Victory Memorial Gardens Saturday 24th February 9:30am start Sunrise Rotary is the co-ordinating club for 2018 and together with representatives has organised the ceremony using ongoing arrangements from previous years. Sunrise pays for this year's expenses such as certificate frames. We also provide the seating.

Set up will be at 8:00am Saturday shade cover (Wollundry) and around 10.45am.

The club's nominee for the Rotary **Rodney Rynehart**. He is being and poker runs as well as the he has been the 'go to man'



and will require volunteers to help set up chairs and we can assist with pack-up

Club Award for Community Service is recognised for his efforts organising dart Christmas Toy Run all for charity. In the past guiding those planning the Black Dog ride.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS: Phillip Tome (above) detailed the numerous events taking place on the weekend of 23 & 24February and provided a flyer with the necessary information.

PDG Fred Loneragan (below) spoke about the communities in our district and that there are over 62

communities worldwide and that the theme of 'Peace beginning with ME + YOU' is achievable at the grassroots level.

ATTENDANCE: Alan Sharp, Bob Martin, Bruce Spinks, Darren Verus, Dave O'Grady, David Brady, Dawn Smith, Deidre Tome, 'Dizzy' Desailly, Fred Loneragan, Jennifer Groch, Joan Skews, John Wood, Leanne Deacon, Marilyn Walter, Max Chapman, Val Samuelson.

APOLOGIES: David Gilbey, Denise Flockton, Deborah Braines, Dennis Blackett, Jan Gray, Jo Wilson, Karen Jamieson, Lesley Scott, Marie Wood, Mark Brown, Michelle Swan, Ndungi Mungai, Peter Brown, Peter Gissing, Sandra Rootes, Simon Swan, Sue Hartwig, Wendy Day, Yvonne Braid.

VISITING ROTARIANS: Phillip Tome

ABOUT ROTARY: Disease Prevention & Treatment one of the six Areas of Focus of The Rotary

Foundation. **Bruce Spinks** (*right*) provided a detailed and informative account of Rotary's efforts in this area and made comparisons with the progress made eradicating polio since 2012.

Eradicating polio is proving difficult to complete due to residual conflict in areas where polio persists: Afghanistan and Pakistan. However, Africa is regarded as poliofree but the civil war in Syria and the breakdown of their health system has seen outbreaks of polio. Yemen needs to be watched.

Small pox eradicated in 1979 was again produced through Soviet biological weapons and had catastrophic potential if mis-used.

Common flu viruses often cross over from bird populations and evolve to become infective pathogens in humans. Combinations of infections are never too far away, spread by the advances in air travel, movement of refugees, squalid living conditions in refugee camps, shanty towns and settlements. Bruce raised the issue of flow-back disease into animal populations.

Infection rates for HIV and AIDS have dropped due to education and the availability of cheap anti-viral drugs with reduced side effects.

The holistic management of disease is influenced by rising global temperatures, increasing deforestation and habitats and larger human populations and the shift of diseases such as malaria, Ebola and Zika.



Testing members' knowledge of Shrove Tuesday, Val Samuelson raised about \$50. An informative session.

DIRECTORS' REPORTS:

Secretary: Alan Sharp

Correspondence In

- RI Parramatta advising club files would be shredded if not requested
- Youth off the Streets request for funding
- RYLA reminder of closing date 9 March

Correspondence out

- RI Parramatta requesting club files

Treasurer: Darren Verus

- Payment of Semi-Annual dues is now required from those members owing the second payment

Club Administration: Fred Loneragan

- Reminder to next year's board members President Elect training is Sat 3 March 3 and training for board members on Su 4 March in Young.

The Rotary Foundation: Marilyn Walter

- Any member who wishes to contribute to Rotary's charity, through the Centurion program can do so in two payments of \$50

Club Image: Leanne Deacon

- thank you to those who have offered feedback on the new club website

Youth: David Brady

- RYLA: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards - applications close on 9 March and at District on 16 March. **Service Projects:**

- Queen's Baton Relay
- the club received a contribution of \$700 for their efforts catering and providing traffic control
- Reaffirmation to Peace Ceremony Fri 23 Feb Peace Symbol
- Annual Peace Day Ceremony Sat 24 Feb Victory Memorial Gardens

Assistance to set up is required for **both** these activities commencing 8:00am.

OTHER REPORTS:

ROTARY Police Officer of the Year 2018
 Sa 17 Mar International Hotel

- invoices have been sent out for sponsors of this vocational service project

MEMBERS' NEWS:

Marilyn Walter Left) encouraged members to learn more about their parents' working life after having written a vale for her father Brian Carter-Smith for the bulletin of the Australian Institute of Mining & Metallurgy. Mr Carter-Smith worked as a superintendent of Environmental Services. He had maintained his professional membership of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy for 70 years, and was made a Fellow of the Institute.



Birthdays Max Chapman (12.2) **Rotary Milestones** Jo Wilson - 9 years (17.2)

Leanne Deacon was anxiously awaiting to be told the gender of her latest grandchild.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Members present were given the opportunity to make a selection from the past two quarters towards the Graham Armstrong Memorial Award. Those who were absent will be able to make their selection at a later date.
- WEARING BLUE Thank you to those who wore blue as a way of drawing awareness of cyberbullying
- the information session at PCYC for Safe Internet Day last week proved to interesting and thought provoking. We all need to be aware of cyber safety.
- A volunteer was sought to attend a Train the Trainer workshop on Tuesday 27 February at 5:30pm

NEXT WEEK: NEPAL (Wendy de Luca & Bruce Duffy) plus Cheques Presentation to the Base Hospital



ROSTER:

Date	Tues 20 Feb	Tues 27 Feb
Venue	Mantra Pavilion	Mantra Pavilion
PROGRAM	Nepal	DV Report
Speaker	Bruce Duffy &	Gail Meyer
	Wendy de Luca	
Attendance 1	Jo Wilson	Dizzy Desailly
Attendance	Sandra Rootes	Michelle Swan
Reporter	David Gilbey	Darren Verus
Photos	David Brady	Bob Martin
About Rotary		
Fines Session	Dennis Blackett	Mark Brown
Intro. Speaker	Fred Lonergan	Peter Gissing
Thank Speaker	Simon Swan	Deidre Tome

... and now for some drollery (thanks Marilyn)

For those of my generation who do not, and cannot, comprehend why Facebook exists, I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles.

Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers-by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later and with whom.

I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around the town, having lunch and doing what anybody and everybody else does every day.

I also listen to their conversations, give them the 'thumbs up' and tell them I like them.

And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me; two police officers, a private investigator, and a psychiatrist.

plus ... (pls excuse your editor's sense of humour ...)

A small two-seater Cessna 152 plane crashed into a cemetery early this afternoon in central Poland. Polish search and rescue workers have recovered 300 bodies so far and expect that number to climb as digging continues into the evening.

Woman's Quote of the Day:

'Men are like fine wine. They all start out like grapes, and it's our job to stomp on them and keep them in the dark until they mature into something with which you'd like to have dinner with.' (I decided not to print the men's rejoinder ... ed.)

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