

The Warracknabeal Bulletin



Rotary



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

A big thank you to every one for all their hard work over the past week. Many hands makes light work is very true. Special thanks to Rotaract for their help at the show.

Once again the 2 o'clock shift on raffle ticket sales had people lined up to buy their tickets. There was no chance you could walk past without knowing Rotary was there. Great job everyone!

The Community Health night was an excellent night. Alistair shared much of his life journey and in the process empowered people to ask questions and seek support. A main thrust of his talk also related to ensuring that we are there for those who are in need.

It was fantastic to have the support of RNH, Yarriambiack Shire and the Warracknabeal Football Netball Club. Building linkages is vital for the betterment of our Community and the deep conversations that occurred after the presentation highlighted this.

I am looking forward to celebrating Robin McCullough's service to Rotary. We are meeting at the Royal Hotel in the back room for a set roast meal.

Have a great week! Chris



Club Meets:

Creekside Hotel

Scott Street, Warracknabeal

Unless otherwise noted

Contact Jean to confirm venue

Wednesdays

6.00 for 6.30 p.m.

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COMING DATES

Sat. 27th-Sun 28th October
RC Kyneton visit

Fri. 9th November
RC Horsham 90th Anniversary celebration

Membership Fees are now over due
for 2018/2019

Fees are \$210.00 p.a.

They can be direct deposited

Acc. Name:

Rotary Club of Warracknabeal

Bank: CBA BSB: 063 544

Account No: 1002 1494

Note Surname / Invoice Number
when paying via bank transfer

See Treasurer if you wish to pay in

NEXT BREAKFAST 16TH OCT

John Tonkin (Pick-up)

Bernie & Karen O' Connor

Rob de Vries??



DUTIES	Wednesday 17th October 2018	Wednesday 24th October 2018	Wednesday 31st October 2018
Venue	Royal Mail Hotel	Royal Mail Hotel	Rotary Community Shop
Time	6 for 6:30pm	6 for 6:30pm	6 for 6.30
Reception/Visitors	Ian Penny	Fellowship & Meal	
Chairman	Rob deVries		
Invocation	John Liersch		
Heads & Tails	John Tonkin		
Two Minute Talk <i>"Something funny/interesting happened at work"</i>	Ben Bentley	BOARD MEETING (Reports to Secretary Sue Please)	
Program	Presentation to Robin McCullough Cost \$20 per Head		FILM NIGHT
Vote of Thanks			
Inductions: Ian Penny—11th October 2006			
Wedding Anniversary: Robin & Velda McCullough 7th October			

Reports:

- International Night raised \$735 for the Ellie Fund.
- Community: Show will need scones and volunteers for selling Raffle Tickets
Volunteers for Footy BBQ Night on Saturday: Sue, Helen, Tony, John T, Chris & Peter.



Peter Martin - 2 Minute Talk

Funny event: De-registered old truck, handed in plates & old rego papers. Fiat re-registered 20 years ago but put plates on the wrong truck!

Positive event: Neighbours harvested together. At sunset they all stopped and had tea off the back of the ute. Great fun where they talked about everything, had pizza party for birthday and all done in 30 minutes.

Induction fines:

John Liersch: Spoke on all the friendships that occur through Rotary across all different fields.

John Tonkin: Spoke on the same friendships, good behaviour, what Rotary involves. Question was why there were no women in 1992 after it was voted to have women by Rotary.

I was speaking with Carlos Eduardo Rizini Caldas (exchange student from Brazil (1984) whom we hosted and was counsellor for.

By all accounts he has now traded his father's business of manufacturing industrial vacuum cleaners out of the difficulties it was in when his father died and Carlos took over.

They are now manufacturing vacuum cleaners up to 100 Hp, (yep that's right, 100 Hp).

He sends his regards to the Club and hopes that everyone is well.

The photo attached shows L – R, Carlos, Regina (his wife), his daughter, son in law and granddaughter. I have also been talking to Anna Hall who has now separated from her boyfriend and has qualified as a nurse.

I have also been talking to Jan Lipetz (1970)? She has now semi-retired from her real estate business and is helping her son Berkeley gain his Real Estate licence in preparation to take over the business.

Cheers,

Rob de Vries



Guest Speaker - Yarriambiack CEO Jessie Holmes

Jessie started by asking Rotarians a few questions to highlighting that there are 154 people employed in the Shire, there are \$142 millions worth of assets, and volunteers deliver an average of 9,400 meals on wheels each year.

Jessie has been in local government for 10 years, mostly spent in Buloke, after spending 12 months in Russia. Over the years she has improved her knowledge and training, loving the environment of LG. She has a strong love for our region having been born and raised in the Wimmera Mallee region, and always held the dream of becoming a CEO one day (with her eyes on Yarriambiack). She strongly feels there is a need to strengthen the literacy skills in our young, and this is being partially met for the 0-6 year olds, however there is a gap between the 6-12 year olds which is affecting the learning capabilities of our young people.

Naturally Jessie admits that rates are a necessary evil, but are required to maintain our environment, both built and natural. We are an aging population, but have great services in our community for the aged and disability arena. Planning and permits for a house or a shed should not be the same and it is her intention to ensure that this process is made easier for all. Jessie touched on the ridiculous amount of money spent on auditing (\$68,000 annually) to meet requirement to ensure the safe handling of the Shire and ratepayer money.

Final comments were on the mysterious Commissioner of Red Tape who decrees what should be done without checking that it will work. Example was the water fitting for chook shed fire fighting equipment that only matches Urban fire brigade trucks—not country fire trucks. Asked if she foreshadowed further amalgamations, she felt that it was on the books, but wouldn't be as drastic as the last one and could be at least 20 years off.

