

# The Warracknabeal Bulletin

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Club of Warracknabeal



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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thank you John Aitken for another great night. Our three RYPEN students, Sarah, Brooke and Jayden, obviously had a great time and got much out of their RYPEN weekend. It is encouraging to see these young people come back with such enthusiasm about what they had learnt and the new friends they have made.

In two weeks' time we will be hearing from our two RYLA participants and it would be great if Sarah, Brooke and Jayden were able to join us to hear about RYLA as it may encourage them to attend in the future.

It was great to hear Jack's report on Laura's activities in Europe and the fantastic time she is having on her exchange. I hope we can make Jasper's trip just as enjoyable when he arrives in July.

Congratulations to Bernie and his staff for a fabulous Woodbine/RNH Art Show. Thanks also to Bernie for organising his team to mow Rotary Park. Congratulations to Tony for the all the work involved in getting the CEF established. Thanks to Peter for organising the YarliLinks BBQ, and to those who helped on the day. Thank you to those people who are helping with the school breakfast program. I sometimes forget all the work that is being done each week.

Could directors please get their report to Sue for the annual report.

Finally, the International night next week will be a great opportunity to bring some guests along. I am sure there will be plenty of interesting dishes to try.

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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## APOLOGIES / GUESTS

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## COMING DATES

Sun 26th May	D9780 Changeover. Swan Hill. RSVP.
Sat 8th June	BBQ at Football reunion, Anzac Park. 10-3:30
Sun 9 June	Rob & Pam deVries' MS Fundraiser walk. See last week's Bulletin about sponsorship details. Please consider.
Wed 3rd July	RCW Changeover. Community Centre.
Fri-Sun Oct 4-6	Visit to RC Kyneton.

**WPS BREAKFAST**  
**Tues 28th May**

**Chris Hewitt**  
**Tony Gregson (pick up)**  
**Jack Daniel**



DUTIES	Wednesday 29th May	Wednesday 5th June	Wednesday 12th June
Venue	Rotary Shop	Creekside Hotel	Rotary Shop
Time	6:00 for 6:30pm	6:00 for 6:30pm	6:00 for 6:30pm
Reception/Visitors	Tony Gregson	Wendy Hewitt	Rotaract/Rotary Fellowship night  Further details to come.
Chairman	Helen Peters	John Tonkin	
Invocation	Int toast– Helen	Sue Watts	
Heads & Tails	Jack Daniel	Peter Martin	
Two Minute Talk <i>“Something funny/ interesting happened at work”</i>	-	Ian Penny	
Program	International Night	RYLA Presentation	
Vote of Thanks	Chris Hewitt	Bernie O’Connor	

**INDUCTION: John Aitken 20/5/88 ( 31 years)**

**BIRTHDAY: Marion Addinsall 18 May**

**KEEP THE DATE FREE**

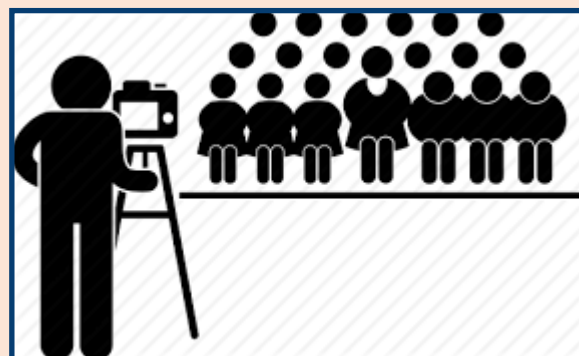
**Saturday 19th October : Woodbine Cabaret. “ELVIS “**

This year’s performer is widely considered to be the best Elvis impersonator in Australia after winning the Parkes Elvis Competition.

**REMEMBER: CLUB PHOTO**

Club Photo at **6:30 sharp** on arrival at the International Night.  
Glenn Miller will be our photographer.

It’s not an ideal night (but we’re running out of time) ..... we will have hot food on arrival and there will be several visitors with us, so hopefully we can get this done quickly.



**LAST DAYS.....**

May is Bowelscan month and kits are available from Warracknabeal Pharmacy at a cost of \$15.00. It's easy to use and could save your life.

**Have you picked up your Bowelscan kit yet?**



**BOWELSCAN**  
A community service project of  
various Rotary Clubs and  
Districts in Australia

## Meeting 22nd May

### REPORTS

#### Secretary (Sue)

All reports for the RCW annual report are to be emailed to Sue by May 31. Directors please note.

#### Community Service (Peter)

Thanks to Tony, Bernie, Karen and John T for helping at the recent Yarrilinks BBQ. With 250 sausages and 100 hamburgers cooked and served everyone was happy.

We will be doing a BBQ at the Eagles Football Reunion Day on Saturday 8th June. The Football/ Netball Club has also invited any interested Rotarians and partners to the Golden Eagles Dinner on Tuesday 11th June. The Guest speaker will be Peter 'Spida' Everitt. Chris Gunn will going and if you're interested please see Chris Hewitt.

#### Sheep Report (Peter)

At the recent Sheep Market in Warracknabeal, an Australian record was made—\$308 was the top lamb price! (No wonder lamb is expensive to buy) While our sheep didn't get that price, the Rotary sheep sold for a very handy \$292 a head. These have been looked after by shepherd, Brad Holland. Our flock now stands at 36 ewes and 50 lambs.

#### Vocational (Bernie)

Mock interviews with WSC students will take place next term, which means they will be in the next Rotary year. Bernie, Chris H and Wendy are happy to continue their involvement in this program.

#### Youth (John A)

Youth Exchange. We have signed off all official documentation about Jasper's exchange with us. Unfortunately one host family has pulled out, but we have three definite families. The first hosting family will be Hugh and Merrily Keam. Other families are Andrew and Gaye Golder and Craig and Mel Byron. Hopefully these families will be at our International Night to hear about local experiences with the Exchange Program, and to meet our members.

We still need to fill the hosting gap between Nov–Feb.

#### International (Helen)

Thanks to all for supporting next week's International Night with a wide range of dishes and flavours promised. To help diners know what they are eating (especially those with allergies etc), could all Rotarians send an email Helen AND Wendy by TUESDAY with the name of the dish and ingredients OR recipe.

#### Laura update.... (Jack)

Everything is going well for Laura. She returned from the Euro Tour on April 23, full of excitement and stories. In particular, she loved Spain, Italy and the beautiful city of Prague. Laura has now moved in with her second host family and is already feeling at home. The family has asked her if she was interested in going on their family holiday to Scandinavia later in the year.... and Laura didn't take long to give an answer! Other plans include a school trip to Munich. Laura will also have a very unique opportunity as a Rotary Exchange Student, and that is to attend the Rotary International Convention, as this year it's in Hamburg.

#### Warracknabeal and District Country Education Foundation (Tony)

The inaugural meeting was held last week. Executive: Chairperson: Chris Hewitt, Secretary: Tony Gregson, Treasurer: Jessie Holmes. Committee Members: Ben Bentley, Wendy Hewitt, Bernie O'Connor, John Aitken, Casey Phelan (WSC), Louise Ferrier (Birchip). John Tonkin? Mandy Morcom?

Steps completed: Office Bearers elected, Name of foundation determined, Adopted CEF's constitution, Adopted the CEF Child Protection Policy, Registered as an Incorporated Association, ABN application, ACNC (Aust Charities and Not-For-Profit Commission) registration, Bank Account opened.

WDCEF launch – Wed. 3 July– RCW Changeover

I will be attending the D9780 DG Changeover and Membership Seminar, both on this weekend.

RLI– Applications close SOON- end of June. It's great for learning about Rotary. Please see Tony for more info.

## Two Minute Talk - Megan Watts.....about me

Early life: I was born in Horsham to Sue & Malcolm. Attended WPS & WSC. A highlight of school life was a trip to Japan. First 'after school' job was waitressing at Empress King Garden Chines restaurant. Work experience was with Brian Clarke, vet, as I love animals. I did one year of a degree in Marine Biology at Deakin University, Geelong, but decided it wasn't for me.

Returning to Warrack; Worked at Foodworks, then IGA , gaining more customer service skills and greater responsibilities in the business. After a short stint as a receptionist at Tristar Medical Clinic, I worked for two years at the Halls Gap Zoo. I loved the work, but other aspects didn't work out, so it was back to Tristar in Warracknabeal, where I've now been for four years. I also do some part time work at Wet Noses dog kennels and more recently, as an Community Ambulance Officer. I enjoy this work and it makes me proud of what I do.

I'm a RYLA graduate, a foundation member of our Rotaract Club and remain very actively involved, I have bought a house and feel I'm quite settled in Warracknabeal. I'm unsure about my work future..... Maybe you could consider this presentation as an informal resume for my next job :)

## RYPEN—Sarah McPherson, Brooke Morrow, Jayden Smith

During the last school holidays three WSC students attended the D9780 RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of ENrichment) camp at Creswick. All spoke of being apprehensive about going to the camp as they were going to be with 23 people they didn't know, but after some initial 'Ice Breaker' games, they soon relaxed into the camp atmosphere and got to know others.

The program included team building, communication and group challenges, and fun projects that required creativity and inventiveness. There was plenty of time for socialising, walks, campfires and marshmallows, and over the weekend 26 strangers became good friends.

A highlight for Brooke was learning about the Briggs–Myer personality types, finding out her strengths and how she could use this information in her future. Sarah loved meeting other people and learning about their life.

Jayden discovered leadership skills that he wants to develop, and found everyone friendly. He would definitely recommend this experience to others.

Some words Sarah, Brooke and Jayden used to summarise the experience were fun, learning, new people and life skills.

In closing, Youth Director, John Aitken, thanked WSC Careers Advisor, Nicole Stewart, for promoting RYPEN to WSC students, and to parents Chris Morrow and Karen McPherson for driving the students to the camp.

