



The Waratah

September 2018



1 September 2018 – Fathers' Day Raffle Draw at Waratah Village

A very successful Father's Day raffle in support of Zara's House, a refugee centre for women and children. All club members were involved over the seven days and they were kept very busy. Special thanks go to our major donors Baker and Farrow for their generosity. The winning ticket was drawn on Saturday 1st September by the Manager of Coles, Nick Holland. The lucky winner was Angela Callaghan of Waratah, ticket #1905.



Monday 3 September 2018 – Sister Diana Santleben from Zara's House

We were happy to host Sister Diana from Zara's House who joined us for an enjoyable evening. Sister Di was able to detail how the team from the House had been able to obtain the old Anglican Church and hall at Jesmond, so that they finally had a place they could call home. The dream for Zara's House is for it to be a PLACE of WELCOME that alleviates social exclusion where women meet Australian women, share hospitality, ideas, culture, learning and local opportunities. For the refugee women to be confident and engaged in their new environment and for them to be a stable influence within their family home. It was our pleasure to be able to donate proceeds from the Fathers' Day raffle to this wonderful cause.

Monday 10 September 2018 – Board Meeting and Club Assembly

A good evening of business and fun; a rare combination in life but something that abounds in our club. The raffle team reviewed the process and delivered a report to the members. The Board decided to support the Cardiff Club's National Youth Science Forum applicant in lieu of our own applicant who unfortunately was not selected to attend. This maintained our focus on promoting youth programs in the District.

Tuesday 18 September 2018 – Joint Rotary Club Meeting "Shine for Kids"



“Changing the life of a young person, one future at a time”. This was the theme of the presentation by the team from Shine for Kids. This team of dedicated volunteers conduct child and family activities for children to feel supported, have fun and enjoy visiting their mum or dad in prison through their child and family centres; prisons invitsits program; childminding and children’s activities. The presenters gave us some worrying statistics about the cost of maintaining the prison system and the number of prisons being constructed to meet the growing population. A very passionate and telling presentation, which I believe had all those present thinking of the children and the stress they encounter when the parent is incarcerated.

Monday 24 September 2018 – Club Planning and Fellowship Night

A night when we tried to take all of the eggs out of the basket to see which ones we needed to prioritise. Bob Main gave a report to the club regarding the Xmas hamper that is being constructed. The Waratah Men’s Shed is helping us by building a stackable hamper that will be easier to transport. Last year Chris and Helen McGrath had to struggle with the old one on their own, this will be a lot easier to transport to the shopping centres.

Fred Neal and others went to Waratah West Public School to measure up for materials to extend the vegetable and flower growing area for the students. Once again the Men’s Shed has come to our aid and has sourced some framework that will work well for the project.



Bob Cherry gave a report on the progress of the annual Trivia Night to be held at Memories Function Centre on Friday 26th October. In his usual professional and no fuss manner, he was able to get “volunteers” for the roles that needed to be allocated for the running of the program.

Also on that night we welcomed Dean Baker from Baker and Farrow, who was the major donor of the magnificent tool chest and tools for our Father’s Day raffle. President Howard presented Dean with a certificate of appreciation as a small token of the club’s gratitude for the donation.



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Once again this edition of the newsletter has been assembled by the apprentice who takes no responsibility for anything.

How does Allan Pettigrew always get into all of the photos?

I thought Fred looked very much the country squire in the vegetable patch.

Well done Doug, for securing the tools from your cousin Dean.