



Rotary Club of West Wollongong Inc.
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District 9675
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2 October 2024 BULLETIN

September is Rotary's Community Economic Development Month

We welcome our Guest Speaker Stephen Swan to tonight's meeting on the Topic: Travelling Australia



Club Runner Training

Guest Speaker: Stephen Swan Travelling Australia

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Birthdays	Anniversaries
<i>02/10 – Michael Crowley</i>	<i>03/10 – Dennis & Lynne Simpson 04/10 – Bob & Sam Armessen 05/10 – Arthur & Carol Booth 05/10 – Di & David North</i>

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CLUB PROGRAM ... *Dates for your diary!*

Date	Speaker/Theme
<p align="center">Wednesday 2 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>“Travelling Australia” – Stephen Swan</i> <i>SERGEANT: Equipment requirements - <u>LAPTOP & PROJECTOR</u> Please</i></p> 
<p align="center">Saturday 5 October 2024</p>	<p>MEGA MEAT RAFFLE at The Charles Hotel from 2.00-4.00 PM <u>Members, friends & partners are very welcome to join us!</u> TEAM 3: Jim Christensen & Ken Potter</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 9 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Australian Rotary Health (ARH) Hat Day... a fun night with our partners + Special guest speaker: PDG & Chair of the ARH Board, Stephen Humphreys.</i> <i>SERGEANT: Equipment required – Laptop, Projector, Screen & Lectern</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 16 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>DG Warwick Richardson Combined Clubs Visit</i> <i>Warilla Bowls & Recreation – Sapphire Room @ 6:15PM</i> \$40.00 cost to be paid before 7 October to the RCWW Account.</p>
<p align="center">Monday 21 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange</i> Volunteers needed please!</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 23 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Q & A with Glen Saville: Olympian, former professional basketball player and now fireman with NSW Fire & Rescue</i> <i>Facilitated by: Kerrie Hayes-Williams</i></p>
<p align="center">Thursday 24 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>End Polio Train Ride (Details TBA)... World Polio Day</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 30 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> ❖ <i>Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</i></p>
<p align="center">Sunday 3 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>MS Gong Ride</i> Volunteers needed please!</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 6 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>“The Benefits of Electrifying Our Homes” – Denise & Peter Aubourg & Greg Knight</i> <i>SERGEANT: <u>LECTURN, LAPTOP & PROJECTOR</u> Please</i></p> 
<p align="center">Sunday 10 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange</i> Volunteers needed please!</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 13 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>ARH Indigenous Scholar – Maddy Lawson</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 4 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>An evening with our ARH PhD Scholar & RCWW John Chaplin Memorial scholar together with UOW representatives ... (NB. Partners evening)</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 11 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>RCWW Christmas Party – Partners Welcome</i> 6:00PM @ The Builders Club, Wollongong</p> 

President's Message



Our Club Assembly last week, for a while, resembled a classroom. Phil gave us a lesson downloading and using the **Club Runner App**. He and Helen have spent considerable time setting up our club's site and we can definitely now see the benefits of it.

Thank you, Ken for your presentation on The Rotary Foundation and its life-saving global projects. **Centurion donations** will certainly be put to very good use.

Considering the looming AGM and for the benefit of new members, we looked at our club's Board structure with reports also from each Director present.

Our accounts are in good shape thanks to our raffles and barbeques. Members help with these is always needed and appreciated. Please keep an eye out in the bulletin for upcoming dates.

Also, important dates discussed were the Christmas party **on 14th December which will be at The Builders** again this year and the likely date for **Paws4aCause will be 6th April**.

Tonight, we're happy to welcome back Stephen Swan to hear about his extensive travels in Australia.

Cheers,

President Rose

Last week's meeting minutes: Scribe – Helen Hasan

- ✚ **Barry** was well organised as sergeant as usually and call on President Rose to welcome everyone to the meeting.
- ✚ **Helen's** reflection was inspired by recent events in Beirut. She and husband, Saleh, drove there from Amman, Jordan via Damascus in April 1975 to visit the nearest Australian Embassy at the time. Encountering roadblocks on the way they were advised not to go into the Beirut CBD. Locals said that when a member of one of the local factions had been shot and his group had retaliated by blowing up a bus full of those, they thought responsible but it turned out it was another group entirely. This misunderstanding was the start of the Lebanese Civil war that lasted 15 years, killing 150,000 people. Inspired by senseless events like this, we toasted the Rotary focus on "**Peace Building and Conflict Prevention**".
- ✚ **Annette** gave the international toast the **Rotary Club of Paris** formed in 1921 and who have a Nobel prize winner as a member.
- ✚ **Dennis** announced that the 'Jag the Joker' jackpot at **The Charles Hotel** went off to someone who had never been before, came by accident and did not realise how the numbers worked.
- ✚ **Rose** announced progress on next year's **Paws 4a Cause** and asked for volunteers to help get prizes for the raffle. **Anticipated date is Sunday 6 April 2025**.

- ✚ The Club Assembly was held from 6:40 PM until 8:00 PM. Minutes for the Club Assembly will be distributed separately once compiled.
- ✚ Our *wine raffle winners* were **Barry Stevens** and **Phil Peckman**, pictured below.



- ✚ The picture of Mike Crowley (above centre), cooking up a storm at a Bunning's BBQ, was sent in from an anonymous contributor who offered the following narrative;

"Perfection in life is rarely seen but we witness it at just about every BBQ with our own Michael Scowley Crowley. The absolute dedication to attention to detail is amazing as is his (patented) double-action onion and snag, fully integrated (and patented) delivery system. Poetry in motion – it is like watching a BBQing amalgam of Roger Federer, Lionel Messi and Jason Belmonte with the musico of Giacomo Puccini blended into the scenario. A veritable Italian symphony of excellence!"

One guess for who the contributor was ???

- ✚ Prior to closing the meeting at 08:10pm, **President Rose** again thanked all for attending and hinted at the need to change the fine system.

ROSTERS

Please arrange your own substitute if you are not able to attend meetings.

Date	Sergeant	Reflection & Scribe	Int. Toast***	Charles Hotel			
				Joker Draw &		Mega Meat raffle	
				Date	Team	Date	Team
02/10	K Potter	K Hayes-Williams	A Lavender	03/10	6	The next Mega Meat Raffle will be held on Saturday 5 October 2024 from 2-4pm	3
09/10	J Erickson	A Lavender	R Lee	10/10	1		
16/10	DG VISIT AT WARILLA BOWLS & RECREATION			17/10	2		
23/10	D Simpson	R Lee	N McCann	24/10	2		
30/10	D North	N McCann	D North	31/10	4		
06/11	P Roberts	D North	P Peckman	07/11	5		
13/11	B Stevens	P Peckman	M Phillips	14/11	6		

***Int. Toast: Each member to research and select their own Rotary-based international toast.

Apologies to be directed to President Rose Pope, prior to midday on the Tuesday before our meetings.

The Charles Hotel "Joker Draw" – Thursday, 6:00pm					
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Marilyn Phillips	Ken Potter	Barry Stevens	Di North	Ray Lee	Jim Christensen

The Charles Hotel "Meat Raffle" - 1 st Saturday of the month from 2.00pm to 4.00pm			
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4
D Simpson & D North	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman	J Christensen & K Potter	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman

PCYC BULLI – Fit for Life Program: Members' Breakfast Schedule	
Thursday 17/10	Rita Giampieri & Ray Lee
Thursday 07/11	Di Reid & Rita Giampieri
Thursday 05/12	Ros Yeoman & Phil Peckman

Room for a little humour!



Friday is totally fine



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