



Rotary Club of West Wollongong Inc.
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District 9675
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17 July 2024 BULLETIN

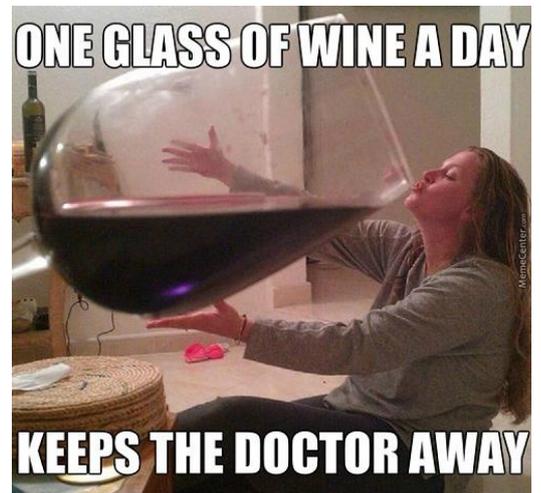
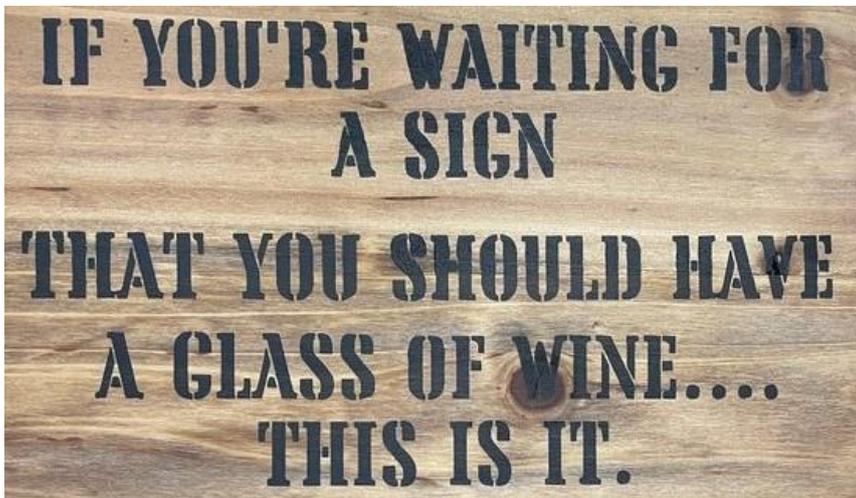
July is Maternal and Child Health Month



REMINDER: 5.30PM START THIS EVENING WITH A PRE-MEETING COMPLIMENTARY DRINK IN THE CENTRO COURTYARD



(WEATHER PERMITTING)



President:	Rose Pope	RI President 2024-25:	Stephanie A Urchick
Secretary:	Kerrie Hayes-Williams	District Governor 2024-25:	Warwick Richardson
Treasurer:	Noel Watt	Rotary Comm. Leader:	Margaret Uitterlinden
IPP President:	Phil Peckman	President Elect:	Phil Peckman

Send items for the Bulletin to Editor: Michael Crowley

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Birthdays	Anniversaries
<i>None this week</i>	20/07 – Bob & Kath Ridley <i>(Happy Anniversary Bob & Kath)</i>

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

Date	Speaker/Theme
Wednesday 17 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> ❖ Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting
Thursday 18 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ JOKER DRAW at The Charles Hotel from 6.00 PM <u>TEAM 1</u> 
Wednesday 24 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>Speaker TBA</i>
Wednesday 31 July 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ SOCIAL EVENING @ THE GERMAN CLUB: 636A Northcliffe Drive, Kembla Grange. 6.00pm for 6.15pm – Please ensure you let Bob Armessen know ASAP if you plan to join us (and the number in your party) as group seating needs to be pre-booked!
Saturday 3 August 2024	<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 1: Dennis Simpson & Di North</p> 
Monday 5 August 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – Volunteers needed please! 
Wednesday 7 August 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>TBA</i>
Wednesday 21 August 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ <i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> ❖ Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting
Monday 2 September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – Volunteers needed please! 
Saturday 14 September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Combined Illawarra Rotary Clubs Race Day <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <p>Illawarra Race Day</p> </div>  </div>

NB. Calling on ALL members

I'm looking for a volunteer for only three weeks in September to compile our weekly Bulletin... If you are familiar with Microsoft Word, the job will be relatively easy.

I'll prepare the Bulletin for 11 September, but I need some kind soul to take the editorial reins for the Bulletin editions of 18 & 25 September and 2 October.

Please contact Michael Crowley if you can help (& don't be shy)!



President's Message

Sadly, our big event, *Paws4aCause*, was cancelled due to the impact on the grounds once again by the amount of rain which had fallen the week before. I thank the members, particularly **Di North, Dennis Simpson and Milan Stanojevic**, who had put in so much time and effort in its planning and preparation.



On a happier note, at last week's meeting **Past President Phil Peckman** presented **Kerrie Hayes-Williams** her well-deserved *PHF sapphire*. Kerrie is a Past President, has spent six years as Secretary and despite a very busy workload, Kerrie is a consistent supporter of Club activities.

We were also fortunate to have *lawyer Michael Naughtin* give us some very *useful tips and advice on wills/estate planning*. Hopefully we all have a will, but it's also a good idea to review older estate planning documents to ensure they remain valid in case changes to circumstances have occurred. Michael drew on his extensive estate planning experience to outline some of the pitfalls and challenges he has encountered when dealing with deceased estates.

Members are requested to *check the contact list and member transfer request emailed out last week* and advise of any changes or objections respectively.

Note too that the *31 July meeting will be a social evening at the German Club*. Please let **Bob Armessen** know if you (& partner- if applicable) plan to attend.

Thank you to **Dennis Simpson** and **Di Reid** for the excellent result at our *first Saturday raffle at the Charles*. Thank you also to those who went along and supported them.

See you all tonight for the early start and drinks.

President Rose

Last week's meeting minutes: Scribe – Michael Crowley

✚ **Sergeant Patrick Roberts** was in charge of the Club's ceremonial gong this week and, after a few repeated hits with the mallet, he managed to bring the meeting under control ahead of **President Rose Pope** welcoming members and our *guest speaker, Michael Naughtin*, for Rose's first meeting of her Rotary year (our second 😊).

✚ Following dinner, **Immediate Past President Phil Peckman** managed to perform a task that unfortunately he was unable to do at our recent changeover. Our beloved **Secretary, Dr Kerrie Hayes-Williams**, was bestowed a *Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire pin* in recognition of her untiring efforts not only as Secretary, but for her ongoing support for our Club's activities within the community... notwithstanding her extremely busy personal working life. *Congratulations Kerrie!*



✚ **President Rose** made the following announcements:

- ❖ A reminder was issued to check the recently emailed *updated member contact list* and if any errors are identified, please let Rose know.

- ❖ Mention was made of Duncan Rutherford's membership application for transfer to our Club from the Rotary Club of Kembla.
 - ❖ *Club membership fees are now due*; however, the Board has reduced members' fees for the 2024-2025 Rotary year to \$200pa.
 - ❖ It is unfortunate that **Angela Capri** has *resigned* after many years supporting our Club and our community in many facets of Rotary. Angela is very busy with work commitments as well as being heavily involved with constructing a new home with Sal in Bungonia in the Southern Tablelands.
- ✚ **Bob Armessen** spoke of our forthcoming *social evening at the German Club on Wednesday 31 July* and made a final call for numbers so he could book a table. At this stage, there are 19 starters looking forward to a fun evening and a sumptuous meal!
 - ✚ **Dennis Simpson** said there was a meeting scheduled at the dog park to discuss whether the *Paws4aCause event* would proceed. As soon as a decision is made members will be notified. If the event is cancelled, the *minute steaks purchased for the day will be donated to the Charles Hotel Saturday afternoon BBQ as proceeds from the BBQ are directed to our Club.*
 - ✚ **Treasurer Noel Watt** enlightened members on earnings from last *Thursday's Joker Draw and Saturday's Mega Meat Raffle at the Charles Hotel.*
 - ✚ **Helen Hasan** signalled that the *Club's 'ClubRunner' website* is up and running, although full functionality is not yet available... Helen is working on it! The website can be found [HERE](#). **Rose** will provide **Helen** with the *'Application to become a Friend'* of the Club and **John Erickson** will supply the *'Corporate Membership'* application to Helen... both application forms will be added to the new website.
 - ✚ **Anne Christensen** provided a *welfare report* on **Jim Christensen**. Anne described Jim's condition along with the medication he uses and the method of dispensing his meds for a faster and better effect, although Anne did say it may take up to six months for the full benefit to be realised.
 - ✚ **Noel Watt** proposed an *international toast* to the **Rotary Club of Paris**, France.
 - ✚ In the light of our *Paws4aCause event* scheduled for Sunday and the fact *Interplast* is the beneficiary of charitable funds generated, **Michael Crowley's reflection** and associated toast was to *Interplast* and the great work the surgical teams undertake to assist our Pacific neighbours – special mention was also made of our Club's financial support towards the June 2024 surgical mission to Kiribati.
 - ❖ Our *guest speaker was Michael Naughtin*, a now semi-retired but active lawyer working in the legal sphere of estate planning. Although the title of Michael's presentation was *"Deceased Estates- War Stories"*, his intent was to keep the session light, but factual, informative and interesting (for a lawyer talk).

Apart from describing several court judgements, Michael outlined other issues such as the criteria for challenges to wills; how superannuation assets are treated in deceased estates; the need for testators to talk to their nominated beneficiaries; the impact of dying intestate; and the benefits and uses of testamentary trust wills.

Based on the number and range of questions from those present, it would be fair to say Michael achieved his objective. Prior to concluding his presentation, Michael created a few laughs by telling a self-deprecating lawyer joke.

Our guest was introduced and subsequently thanked by **Michael Crowley**.



✚ Our *wine raffle winners* were drawn by our guest speaker, *Michael Naughtin*: **Dennis Simpson** (again!) and **Albert Cachia** (also again!)... pictured below (*clearly winners are grinners*):



✚ To save us from **Sergeant Patrick's** *much loved joke book* (by Patrick – not always by his audience), a late humorous story was passed on to our beloved Sergeant about the benefits of a Ruger 0.22 pistol in defeating a threatening crocodile! Please see Patrick for the full story. 😊

✚ **President Rose** thanked everyone present, especially our guest *Michael Naughtin* for his useful and informative presentation, prior to closing the meeting at around 7.45pm.

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	Date	Team				
17/07	Di North	N Watt	B Armessen	18/07	1	The next Mega Meat Raffle will be held on <u>Saturday 3 August 2024 from 2-4pm</u>	1
24/07	K Potter	B Armessen	M Bracken	25/07	2		
31/07	<i>Social evening @ the German Club</i>	<i>Kembla Grange</i>		01/08	3		
07/08	J Erickson	M Bracken	A Cachia	08/08	4		
14/08	B Stevens	A Cachia	A Christensen	15/08	5		
21/08	D Simpson	A Christensen	J Crakanthorp	22/08	6		
28/08	P Roberts	J Crakanthorp	M Crowley	29/08	1		
04/09	Di North	M Crowley	J Erickson	05/09	2		

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

Apologies to be directed to Treasurer, Noel Watt, 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 North Wollongong – Fit for Life Program: Members' Breakfast Schedule					
TBA			TBA		

The Police of New South Wales do an outstanding job in protecting us.

If any member/friend has an interest in joining the Macarthur Clubs at their **Police Officer of the Year function on 31 July 2024** where Police finalists from the Macarthur area will be recognised, you can purchase tickets via the Try Booking link [HERE](#).



POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR MACARTHUR 2024



Each year the Combined Rotary Clubs of Macarthur recognise Police Officers from The Campbelltown and Camden PACs and the Highway Patrol for outstanding acts of courtesy, kindness, understanding, compassion, courage and devotion to duty in several categories.

Please feel free to purchase tickets to this event that recognises the wonderful work done by Macarthur's Police every day of the year.

WEDNESDAY

31 JULY 2024

6:30 PM - 11:30 PM

Venue:



10 Old Leumeah Road,
Leumeah



Book Your Ticket/s NOW:

www.trybooking.com/CRNPG

This is your chance to say “thanks for a job well done”