



## CAMBRIDGE COURIER

**Information about our next Rotary Meeting (usually held at Cambridge Bowling Club, 7.10 for 7.30 am):**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

**Activity: Lisha van Reyk – Deserving Better WA**

**On Duty: Club Host: Cate Barlow**

**Set up/Pack up: John Gartlan**

**Coming up soon  
 Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026**

Activity: Basil Zempilas MLA

Club Host: Graham McHarrie

Set up/pack up: Cate Barlow

**GENERAL NEWS ITEMS**

- *Graham McHarrie gave an update on the Karya Mulia teacher exchange programme; he also summarised the Club's finances in a comprehensive report*
- *Our Club has been recognised by RI as being 57 years old (firstly as Floreat then Cambridge from 2007)*
- *RYPEN will take place in September – how about you submitting names of possible participants?*

***NEWS ABOUT OUR CLUB MEETINGS, ROTARY GENERALLY, & OUR WORLD***

This was the first meeting in the new Rotary year chaired by President Don, and he made particular mention of the very pleasant Changeover Night that we enjoyed, with special accolades to Jan Puddey for all of her hard work. Max Puddey then was introduced as Guest Speaker, and he talked about his and Jan's trip to Romania in April this year. That country is surrounded by Serbia, Bulgaria, Moldova, Ukraine and Hungary, and its geography is dominated by the Carpathian mountain range. There are 10 Provincial areas, and the Puddeys spent much of their time in one of the larger ones – Transylvania. The Capital of Romania is Bucharest – the Paris of the East – and Max gave a comprehensive history of the Country from 106 AD right through to current times. The Royals abdicated in 1947, and the Communists took over, lasting until 1989 when Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Elena were executed. The Country is now a democratic, semi-presidential republic. Max showed many pictures of amazing buildings in Transylvania, including Peles Castle, Bran Castle, the Towns of Brasov, Viscri, Sighisoara (where there is a 64 m high tower), Sibiu, and Biertan to name but a few. He also revealed some amusing times, such as at the Libearty Bear Sanctuary at Zarnesti (the largest brown bear sanctuary in the world) where they encountered a bear called ..... Max!!



***Isn't it alarming that doctors & lawyers call what they do a 'practice'***

**Birthdays:** none this time

**Wedding anniversaries:** Ross & Fran Ledger (2 Jul)

**Rotary anniversaries:** none this time

**IF A MEMBER CAN'T ATTEND, OR WANTS TO BRING A VISITOR, PLEASE ADVISE LIBBY LARSEN BY EARLY MONDAY MORNING**  
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