



CAMBRIDGE COURIER

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

Wednesday 19th November 2025

Activity: Ambrose Depiazzi – Preserving Sight in Western Australia

On Duty: Club Host: Frank Nathan

Set up/Pack up: Cate Barlow

Coming up soon
Wednesday 26th November 2025

Activity: Christine Tonkin - Darfur, Sudan

Club Host: Mike Graham

Set up/pack up: John Gartlan

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- Our Member Brian Downing passed away at the weekend. He will be sadly missed
- The District Conference will be held in Northam over the weekend 13/15 Mar 2026
- A Junior Debate will be held at the Council Chambers on 14th Nov at 9.15 am – come and support Lake Monger Primary School!
- Our Christmas Function: 12th Dec

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

Dr Judith Odgaard is WA Branch President and WA Representative of Sustainable Population Australia (SPA), and she travelled all the way from the Avon Valley to talk about population growth and the effects it has on the lands where human beings exist. Throughout the ages concerns about population have always existed – from the times of Plato, Aristotle and Caesar Augustus right through until the modern era. Unfortunately, population growth occurs at geometric rates, whereas land productivity can be increased only arithmetically. A 1968 think-tank called the Club of Rome sought to introduce limits on population growth, because it predicted that the then rates of resource consumption would lead to total collapse by the 2070s. This was, of course, highly contentious and at the same time Paul Erlich published a book called The Population Bomb which proposed population limits to counteract future inadequate food supplies. He came up with a formula $I = PAT$, where I is environmental impact; P is population size; A is affluence; and T is technology. China came up with a one child policy – for a while – and India increased its average food per person by 17% but at the same time its population grew by half a billion! There is no doubt that population numbers drive climate change, and the biggest problem is Africa. Thank you, Judith - there was lots to think about in this talk!



A thief has been seen stealing police car wheels. The cops are working tirelessly to catch him

Birthdays: Jeremy Wood (13 Nov)

Wedding anniversaries: none this time

Rotary anniversaries: John Gartlan ('92/'21)

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