



CAMBRIDGE COURIER

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

Wednesday 15th April 2026

Activity: Roy Stall – The History & Development of the Chinese Navy

On Duty: Club Host: David James

Set up/Pack up: Don Holywell

Coming up soon
Wednesday 22nd April 2026

Activity: TBA

Club Host: John Gartlan

Set up/pack up: Mike Graham

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- *Changeover will be on Wednesday 24th June*
- *Cate & Jeremy attended recent Citizenship Ceremonies*
- *Jeremy & Christine will attend Anzac Day School Ceremonies, but we need a few volunteers to cover other schools as well*
- *Don & Graham are updating the Surabaya Karya Mulia school items*

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

Diana Blackie is a dynamic force, a walker, a nature lover and a volunteer, and she formed the Friends of Galup/Lake Monger in 2022 with the help of Christine Tonkin in order to improve Lake Monger and its surrounds. The lake is still a bureaucratic orphan because no single authority is responsible. Since white settlement and despite good intentions, everything possible was done to degrade an otherwise healthy wetland because everyone wanted it to look like a lake in an English park. Mistakes included exotic trees replacing native ones; introduction of water hyacinth which, after 30 invasive years, was declared a noxious weed; establishing landfill including decomposing food and attendant blowflies; and allowing carp to proliferate (which are now being stunned and caught through electrofishing). Originally, the wetland was bigger and extended to Britannia Park, beyond where the freeway now is. Diana’s group conducts regular working bees to re-establish suitable flora, particularly plantings of mini-forests, and they lobby Council and the Water Corporation about toxic algal blooms, as well as urging for upgrades of informative signage. The current Town of Cambridge 10-year plan does not address the issue of water quality. The hope is that swans and pelicans will eventually return. Fortunately, the long-necked turtles seem to have survived.



Despite the cost of living, have you noticed how popular it remains?

Birthdays: Peter Wagner (01 Apr); Peter McSkimming (03 Apr); Roger Veary (14 Apr)

Wedding anniversaries: Rod & Margaret Lane (03 Apr)

Rotary anniversaries: Peter Pearse ('87)

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