

## **ROTARY CLUB OF CAMBRIDGE**

Rotary Opens Opportunities

District 9455 Western Australia

## Cambridge Courier - 2020/21

Our next Rotary Meeting: Wednesday, 5 May

Speaker: Terpsy Christou Topic: Modern Essential Oils & Their Use

On Duty 5/05/21:

Speaker intro & thanks: Peter Wagner Set up/Pack up: Roger Veary

## **NEWS FROM OUR LAST MEETING**

Ann Jones is the Secretary of the volunteer Board of Management of Huntington's WA, and she came along to provide some details of the disease and its implications for victims and their families. Huntington's is an inherited degenerative neurological condition which affects areas of the brain that control movement, cognition and behaviour, and at this stage there is no cure and little by way of treatment other than medications that can ease some of the symptoms. Ann's husband developed the disease around 1990, and he passed away a few years later. Unfortunately their two daughters, now in their late forties and early fifties respectively, inherited the disease and require constant care. The reaction that families and individuals have to the disease varies greatly, and whilst Ann has suffered greatly, she has chosen to take action to improve the environment in which Huntington sufferers and their families find themselves. Ann has been involved with helping people with Huntington's not only at the local WA level but also globally, having been involved with the International Huntington Association for a number of years up to 2018. As a consequence of her dedication towards taking action to fix anomalies in the system, Ann became a Member of the Order of Australia in the General Division in the recent Australia Day awards. Here in Australia we are fortunate in many ways, but we do tend to waste money on policies and procedures that at best are bureaucratic but at worst, unworkable. Ann's poignant address was certainly a wake-up call for us all.

Coming up soon – Wednesday 12 May

Speaker: Adam Hewber Topic: Ability Heroes Project

Speaker intro & thanks: Mike Graham Set up/pack up: Brian Downing

## GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- On Thursday 21st May we are going to help the Salvation Army with their annual collection at the Floreat Forum. Pres. Jeremy will be calling for volunteers shortly
- Don Holywell is representing us at a Rotary Foundation Showcase being held as a Zoom event this Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021. Participation in the Showcase is a pre-requisite for involvement in the Grants programmes, so thank you Don for this important involvement on our behalf
- Happily we were able to hold our meeting this week due to our numbers being limited and to everyone
  wearing masks. Unfortunately our coffee van slept in, but hopefully we'll be back to 'normal' next
  meeting!



Why do bees stay in their hives during winter? Swarm.

Birthdays: John Travlos (30 Apr)

Wedding anniversaries: Mike & Helen Mullin (3 May); Peter & Leonie Pearse (4 May)

Rotary anniversaries: Rod Lane ('85)

We meet at the Cambridge Bowling Club, Howtree Place, Floreat (near the Forum), 7.10 am for 7.30 am. <u>IF A MEMBER CAN'T ATTEND OR WANTS TO BRING A VISITOR</u>, <u>PLEASE ADVISE LIBBY LARSEN BY MONDAY MORNING</u> via telephone (0438 462 917 or 9446 2917) or email (libbylarsen@westnet.com.au).

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