



ROTARY CLUB OF CAMBRIDGE CAMBRIDGE COURIER 2021 - 2022



District 9455 Western Australia

We usually meet at the Cambridge Bowling Club, Howtree Place, Floreat (near the Forum), at 7.10 am for 7.30 am.

Our next Rotary Meeting: Wednesday, 15 June

Speaker: David Windsor

Topic: Re-introducing Indigenous Burning Practices

On Duty 15/6/22:

Speaker intro & thanks: Stan Robins

Square Pupil: Jim Berry

Set up/Pack up: Frank Nathan

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- Changeover Night is on Wednesday 6th July at 300 Acres, Wembley Golf Club, 6.30 for 7.00 pm. Please respond to the formal invitation and pay the relevant amount into the Club's account as detailed on the invitation.
- The Wongan Hills Club Wheatbelt two day Coach Trip is on Wednesday 31st August & Thursday 1st September. Please contact Bill Boekeman on 0427 771 884 or billpam@westnet.com.au. Wildflowers in abundance!
- The Garden Festival weekend at Bridgetown is on 4th and 5th November.
- Our Student Exchange young lady from France arrives on 15th July.
- We now have stocks of Club shirts and Caps bearing the new Rotary logo for purchase. Please see Pres. Jeremy.

Coming up soon: Wednesday, 22 June 2022

Speaker: Michael Hammond

Topic: Groundwater Re-balancing

Speaker intro & thanks: John Gartlan

Set up/Pack up: Sue Brown

NEWS FROM OUR LAST MEETING

Dr Martin Drum, who addressed us in mid-March about the then forthcoming Federal Election, came back to give us a post mortem on the results, and what an interesting summary it was. There was a noticeable move away from the major Parties, and unlike on most occasions in the past, WA proved to be crucial to the outcome. Overall there was a 5.7% swing away from the Coalition, but in WA it was 9.9% with four seats going to Labor and one to an Independent. The smallest swing occurred in Tasmania, probably because of the popularity of the State Liberal Government following the close-down of the borders early in the Covid pandemic. Ironically the State Labor Government in WA also closed our borders and this probably contributed to the swing from Liberal to Labor in this State. Dr Drum explained the preference voting system which he thinks is appropriate for National and State elections but not for local government elections because party politics are not desirable in that context. However he thinks that preferences should be chosen by the voter and not be prescribed by Parties, and ideally preference voting should be optional i.e. there should be no obligation to fill in all the boxes. The Liberal brand in WA is at an all-time low, and it was illuminating to see the geographical voting outcomes in the seat of Curtin where most of our Members live. In the Senate Labor plus Greens are close to a majority and Dr Drum feels that the new Federal Government must look after WA or they will face a backlash in future polls.



If we are here to help others, what are the others here for?

Birthdays: none this time

Wedding anniversaries: none this time

Rotary anniversaries: Mike Graham (Jun '68)

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