



CAMBRIDGE COURIER

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

Wednesday 14th August 2024

Activity: Ron Banks will talk about Dad's Army

On Duty: Club Host: Peter McSkimming

Set up/Pack up: Cate Barlow

Coming up soon
Wednesday 21st August 2024

Activity: Grant Trew – City of Perth SLSC

Club Host: Jeremy Wood

Set up/pack up: Peter Burns

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- *PDG Ineke Oliver will visit our Club on 21st Aug in order to present us with a Citation! More details then!*
- *Jeremy Wood needs help with a Peace Pole ceremony on Thursday 22nd Aug please.*
- *The 4 Way Test District Final is at 10 am on Thursday 15th Aug at Wembley Downs Primary School. Bookings can be made through Jeremy.*
- *The Social Committee is plotting! Watch out!*

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

Kevin McQuoid posed the question to us at our recent meeting: Is Perth's passenger railway system being revitalised – yes or no? The old Metronet project was restarted by the State Government in 1983, but it remained dormant for many years until it was resurrected by the Labor Party prior to the 2013 election. Four years later a multi-government agency was formed under the Metronet name to manage extensions to Perth's railway network, the rationale being that Perth's population will eventually grow to around 4 million by about 2030. In 2013 Kevin himself proposed an urban rail network that would cater for 4 million people, but nothing happened until the Government altered the diagram to a very stylised version that depicted a Circle Line from Fremantle via the airport to Joondalup. In 2019 the Government formed a highly politicised body called Infrastructure WA, which has on it's Board four Government appointees from the Departments of Treasury, Planning, Premier/Cabinet, and Transport. Decentralisation emerged as a major theme, but the concept has been ignored by the bureaucrats as the wrestling between road and rail persists. In fact, a Geraldton to Esperance Decentralisation via Rapid Rail Transit diagram doesn't even rate a mention in the Infrastructure WA documents! Kevin has also proposed a "Sandgroper-Central Subway" system for the Perth CBD, but that too has been ignored. It seems as if the Minister has sidelined the Committee and is marking time in terms of making any real progress.



Karl Marx was a famous philosopher, and his sister Onya invented the starting pistol.

Birthdays: Margaret Lane (23 Jul); Robyn Wagner (23 Jul); Jean McSkimming (12 Aug)

Wedding anniversaries: Ross & Fran Ledger (2 Jul)

Rotary anniversaries: Peter Wagner ('18); Jim Berry ('81)

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