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**CAMBRIDGE COURIER**

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

##### Wednesday 16th October 2024

**Activity: Ken Post – Parole Board**

 **On Duty: Club Host: Peter Burns Set up/Pack up: Jeremy Wood**

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

***I put up a high-voltage electric fence around my house. My neighbour is dead against it.***

***GENERAL NEWS ITEMS***

* *Pres Max is appealing for items for donation for a silent auction coming up soon at the Community Shed. Please contact Max if you can help.*
* *Melbourne Cup Luncheon Tuesday 5th November at the home of Pres Max and Jan Puddey. No meeting 6th November. Details to follow.*

**Coming up soon**

**Wednesday 23rd October 2024**

**Guest speaker : to be advised**

Club Host: **tba**

Set up/pack up: Don Holywell

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

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*Birthdays: Judy James (18 Oct)*

*Wedding anniversaries: none this week*

*Rotary anniversaries: none this week*

A fascinating and informative talk from Kuenzang Tshering last Wednesday about Bhutan and the Bhutanese way of life. Kuenzang has been living in WA with his wife and two young daughters for 5 years, with the two girls attending Lake Monger PS. Kuenzang is an environmental hydrologist who has just completed his PhD at ECU. Bhutan is a kingdom in the Himalayas, 39sq kms in size (about the size of Switzerland) with a population of only 770,000. A constitutional monarchy since 2008. Bounded by China and India, with both seeking influence in the country, makes it a challenging existence. The main income is derived from tourism and the sale of hydropower energy to India. Less than 3% of the land is arable, although agriculture is the main employer. A Buddhist country, philosophy is a way of life. A gross national “happiness” register is maintained and a happiness star rating is attributed to each hotel. Chilli is the national dish. More than 30,000 Bhutanese live in Perth (the most in Australia) and they have the highest number of tertiary students by country at WA universities. Amazing stats. A terrific presentation

It was great to meet Juan Hernando, the brother of our former exchange student Jaz Hernando, who attended the meeting. Juan, an exchange student himself who previously spent 12 months in Djakarta, is visiting from Argentina and will be in Perth for some time. He’s looking for a Rotary club!