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ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good
We thank Thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve Thee, all our days.

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Attendance: Re-constituted attendance officer Paul Fraser reported that the LXII Annual General Meeting was attended by 32 members with apologies from Mssr Barber, Munsey, Lyons, Miller (A), Kelly, Phillips, Dykers, Grange, Hoile & Kennedy (A). Mssrs McGarry & Newlyn continue to avail of Leaves of Absence, while Makeups were granted to Mssrs Barber (Friendship Dinner) & Hoile (Race Day), giving an adjusted attendance of 88% for the night. Retrospective MUs were inserted for Mssrs Chapman (RYDA) & Price (Race Day).

Members please note all details of apologies and guests are required by **9.00am Wednesday**. Ring Clare or Theresa on **4572 5429** or email admin@reelmen.com.au In accordance with board recommendations, no-shows and late apologies will be asked to pay for meals as booked. Thank you.

Trivia question for this week: *Name the player who captained Australia to a Rugby League World Cup win in 1970....*



The first correct answer to the editor will win a terrific prize.....last week's trivia answer was Bondi Beach and Flemington racecourse and the first correct answer was appropriately by **Bruce Thorne** who won the prize....Blast from the past winner was **Trevor Whitmore** (2016, Streeton Lookout for the official opening)....

the raffle jackpot will start at
\$134
prior to the next raffle on 15th November

Windsor Rotary Christmas Party



Sunday 17th December - Caradon Leisure Park, 146 Mitchells Road, Sackville North

Time: 11am until later on....

Details: catered lunch, byo drinks, nibblies & a present for each of your young children/grandkids, also please bring a charity present...



The meeting was chaired by President **Robert Bishop** who welcomed the Members. Sergeant **Tom Millington** called on **Ross Miller** to lead the meeting in Grace, then proposed the Loyal Toast to HM Elizabeth II, Queen of Australia.

PP **Laurie Rose** presented a pennant from Narellan RC received when he attended their 25th Anniversary dinner on 27th October. PP **Brian Speechley** reported on the health of PP **Ken Lyons** – hopefully home this week. PP **Norm Gale** thanked all those who helped at the Ladies Day raceday last week. PP **Rod Hartas** reported the General A/C had a balance of \$5k and the Community A/C had a balance of \$44k. New Generations Director **Geoff Roberts** thanked the RYDA volunteer marshalls for Tuesday 14th November.

The AGM was then held – official minutes will be forthcoming from the Secretary.

The wine raffle was won by **Paul Fraser**, but the joker proved elusive again.

There being no further business, the Sergeant called upon **Col Mitchell** to lead in the singing of Advance Australia Fair to close the meeting.





Polio Update

With just 12 confirmed polio cases so far in 2017, the world is on the brink of eradicating polio, a vaccine-preventable disease that once paralysed hundreds of thousands of children each year.

Rotary is giving \$49.5 million in grants to support immunization and surveillance activities led by the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Some of the funds will support efforts to end polio in the three countries where polio remains endemic:

- Afghanistan: \$9.32 million, Pakistan: \$8.94 million and Nigeria: \$7.71 million

Further funding will support efforts to keep six vulnerable countries polio-free:

- Chad: \$2.37 million, The Democratic Republic of Congo: \$4.5 million, Guinea: \$961k, Somalia: \$1.62 million, South Sudan: \$3.77 million and Sudan: \$2.56 million

An additional \$7.74 million will go toward surveillance activities in Africa and the Eastern Mediterranean region.

Rotary has committed to raising \$150 million over the next three years, which will be matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, yielding \$450 million for polio eradication activities, including immunisation and surveillance. Rotary started its polio eradication program PolioPlus in 1985, and in 1988 became a partner in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, along with WHO, UNICEF, and the US Centres for Disease Control and Prevention. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation later became a partner, too. Since the initiative launched, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from 350,000 cases in 1988.



Aussie Computer Terminology

LOGON: Adding wood to make the barbie hotter.

LOG OFF: Not adding any more wood to the barbie.

MONITOR: Keeping an eye on the barbie.

DOWNLOAD: Getting the firewood off the ute.

HARD DRIVE: Making the trip back home without any cold tinnies.

KEYBOARD: Where you hang the ute keys.

WINDOWS: What you shut when the weather's cold.

SCREEN: What you shut in the mozzie season.

BYTE: What mozzies do.

MEGABYTE: What Townsville mozzies do.

CHIP: A pub snack.

MICROCHIP: What's left in the bag after you've eaten the chips.

MODEM: What you did to the lawns.

LAPTOP: Where the cat sleeps.

SOFTWARE: Plastic knives and forks you get at Red Rooster.

HARDWARE: Stainless steel knives and forks - from K-Mart.

MOUSE: The small rodent that eats the grain in the shed.

MAINFRAME: What holds the shed up.

WEB: What spiders make.

WEBSITE: Usually in the shed or under the veranda.

SEARCH ENGINE: What you do when the ute won't go.

CURSOR: What you say when the ute won't go.

YAHOO: What you say when the ute does go.

UPGRADE: A steep hill.

SERVER: The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch.

MAIL SERVER: The bloke at the pub who brings the counter lunch.

USER: The neighbour who keeps borrowing things.

NETWORK: What you do when you need to repair the fishing net.

INTERNET: Where you want the fish to go.

NETSCAPE: What the fish do when they discover a hole in the net.

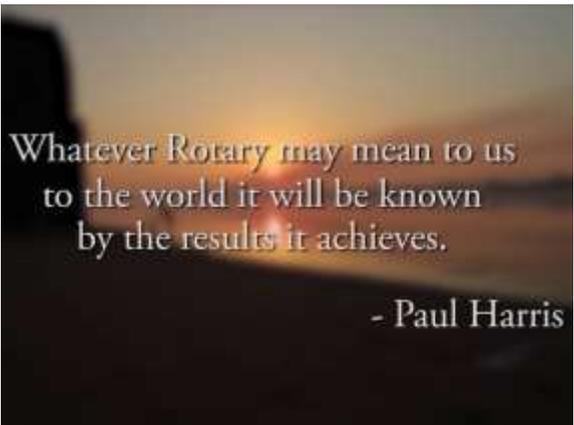
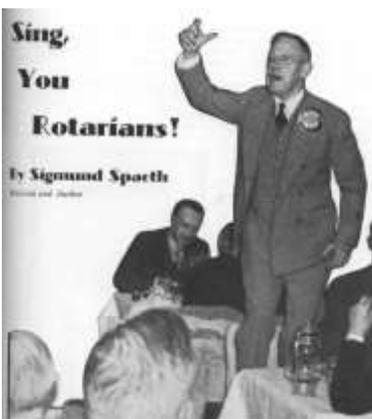
ONLINE: Where you hang the washing.

OFFLINE: Where the washing ends up when the pegs break.





RYDA 14th November



Old English History

There is an old Pub in Marble Arch, London, which used to have a gallows adjacent to it. Prisoners were taken to the gallows (after a fair trial of course!) to be hanged. The horse-drawn dray, carting the prisoner, was accompanied by an armed guard, who would stop the dray outside the pub and ask the prisoner if he would like "ONE LAST DRINK". If he said YES, it was referred to as ONE FOR THE ROAD. If he declined, that prisoner was ON THE WAGON.

Here are some facts about England in the 1500s:

Most people got married in June, because they took their yearly bath in May and they still smelled pretty good by June!! However, since they were starting to smell, brides carried a bouquet of flowers to hide the body odour. Hence the custom today of carrying a bouquet when getting married.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies. By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, "Don't throw the baby out with the bath water!"

Houses had thatched roofs, thick straw piled high, with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying "It's raining cats and dogs."

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom, where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was dirt. Only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying, "dirt poor." The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on floor to help keep their footing.

As the winter wore on they added more thresh until, when you opened the door, it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance.



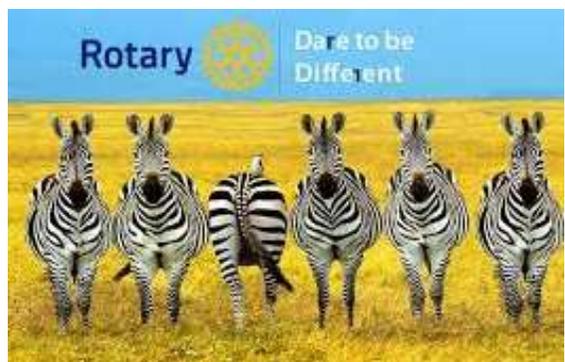
Sometimes they could obtain pork, which made them feel quite special. When visitors came over they would hang up their bacon, to show off. It was a sign of wealth that a man could, "Bring home the bacon." They would cut off a little to share with guests and would all sit around talking and "chew the fat".

Those with money had plates made of pewter. Food with high acid content caused some of the lead to leach onto the food, causing lead poisoning and death. This happened most often with tomatoes. So for the next 400 years or so, tomatoes were considered poisonous.

Bread was divided according to status. Workers got the burnt bottom of the loaf, The family got the middle, and guests got the top, or "The Upper Crust".

Lead cups were used to drink ale or whisky. The combination would sometimes knock the imbibers out for a couple of days. Someone walking along the road would take them for dead and prepare them for burial. They were laid out on the kitchen table for a couple of days and the family would gather around and eat and drink and wait and see if they would wake up. Hence the custom of "Holding a Wake".

England is old and small and the local folks started running out of places to bury people, so they would dig up coffins and would take the bones to a bone-house and reuse the grave! When reopening these coffins, 1 out of 25 coffins were found to have scratch marks on the inside and they realised they had been burying people alive. So they would tie a string on the wrist of the corpse, thread it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the graveyard all night (the graveyard shift) to listen for the bell; thus someone could be, "Saved by the Bell "or was considered a "Dead Ringer".



When a woman says "what?" it's not because she didn't hear you, it's because she is giving you a chance to change what you said.

Meetings, Events & Service Calendar

Saturday 25 th November	Richmond Rotary Markets McQuade Park Windsor 8am – 1.30pm	
Wed 29 th November	David Griffiths The Pansy railway	Kurrajong - Comleroy Historical Society
Friday 9 th December	KNR Christmas Party is being held at the Village Kitchen Restaurant 6:30 for a 7:00 start. Cost is \$45 with BYO.	Rotary Club of Kurrajong North Richmond
Sunday 10 th December	Macquarie Towns Orchestra Concert - St Andrew's Uniting Church - 25 West Market Street	
Wed 13 th December	St John Ambulance Windsor Golf Club 6.30pm	St John 
Sunday 17 th December	A team Graffiti removal Team Leader Paul Barber	
Sunday 17 th December	Windsor Rotary Christmas Party Mitchells Rd Sackville North	Rotary Club of Windsor NSW 
Sunday 17 th December	Richmond Rotary Carols in the park 6pm – 10pm	Richmond Rotary Club



Meetings, Events & Service Calendar cont.

Wed January	10 th	Seafood in the Park Don't Worry Oval	Rotary Club of Windsor NSW 
Wed January	24 th	Robert Burns 259th Birthday - Ladies' night Celebrating the eve of Robbie's 259th birthday this popular celebration is back on our Club Program again.	
Friday January	26 th	APV Australia Day BBQ BBQ + parking – all hands on deck	
Sat Sun March	10 th to 11 th	Rotary District 9685 Conference Fairmont Resort Leura	FAIRMONT RESORT BLUE MOUNTAINS
Wed March	21 st	Annual Barefoot Bowls Challenge IV - East v West The annual get together of the 3 Hawkesbury Rotary Clubs for another night of precision bowls. Windsor Bowls Club 6:30 pm	
Sat March	24 th	Pink Tie Ball Save the date Hawkesbury Race Club	
Thursday May	10 th	Windsor Rotary Race Day Hawkesbury Race Club	



Photos by Mark Stoneman

Can't make our Wednesday meeting? Do a make-up here.....

MONDAY	Richmond	6.30pm	Richmond Golf Club Bourke Street East Richmond.
	Springwood	6.30pm	Springwood Sports Club Macquarie Road Springwood.
	The Hills - Kellyville	6.15pm	Castle Hill Tavern 25 Victoria Avenue Castle Hill
TUESDAY	Kurrajong – Nth Richmond	6.30pm	Four Beans Cafe Bells Line of Road North Richmond.
	Lower Blue Mountains	7.00pm	Emu Plains Sporting Club Leonay Parade Leonay
THURSDAY	Rouse Hill	7.15pm	1 st & 3 rd Club Meetings Rouse Hill Anglican Centre Cnr Windsor & Mile End Roads Rouse Hill
SUNDAY	The Ponds	4.00pm	1st, 3rd & 5th Coffee Club Michel's Patisserie, The Ponds Shopping Centre The Ponds
ANYTIME	eClub One		http://www.rotaryclubone.org and click on the "Makeups" tab

November Birthdays:

Ross Miller	1 st	Judy Roughley	1 st
Irene Clayton	5 th	Barry Gale	5 th
Greg Hoile	8 th	Doug Stoneman	10 th
Paul Barber	11 th	Christine Mitchell	14 th
Sam Ghantous	18 th	Robin "Irish" Gourley	19 th
Phil "The nomad" Blake	24 th	Jon Blaauw	26 th

November Anniversaries:

Terry & Carole Munsey	11 th	Mal & Judy Roughley	13 th
Horst & Ruth Hauser	24 th		

Quotes of the week:

They always say time changes things, but you actually have to change things yourself. **Andy Warhol**

I am not afraid of storms, I am learning to sail my ship. **Louisa May Alcott**
A person being "too busy" is a myth. People make time for the things that are really important to them. **Mandy Hale**



The Four-Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?