



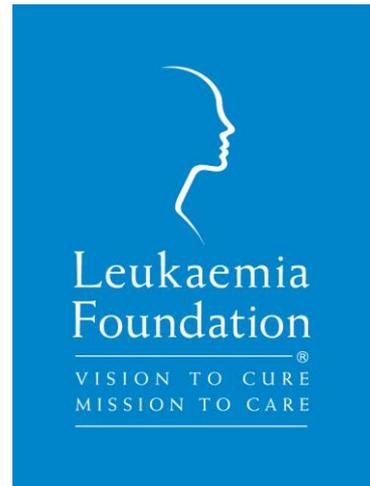
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## Briony Willett – Ride for Dad

Briony Shared with us the deep love that she has for her Dad, Gordon Willett. Gordon a well know Corowa identity, was diagnosed with multiple myeloma in 2004, passing away after a four-year struggle with the disease, at the age of 58.

Briony has been involved in her “Ride for Dad” which involves very long distance bike rides to raise money for the Leukaemia Foundation in a hope to find cures for all forms of cancer.

Briony’s first ride was from Adelaide to St. Kilda, via Lorne. The biggest day of the ride was 215km, which is quite a ride. On this ride Briony raised \$12500.



Briony then chose this year, to do the “Ride as One – Japan” beginning on April 21 - April 28.

The Corowa local journeyed to Japan for the six-day cycling tour, and once again



aimed to raise funds for cancer research. Her late father Gordon will be there at the finish line with her, in spirit. “I chose to do this ride because the finish date (April 28) is Dad’s birthday, I’m always thinking about the end of the ride. I’ll took some time out in that moment, to wish him a happy birthday, and thank him for inspiring me to help others.” Briony said.

Cycling the south island of Kyusho, there was an elevation climb of 9500 feet over the ride. Thinking of her Dad every day of the ride made it more bearable, but it was still a difficult ride.



At the time Dad took ill, the prognosis for myeloma was poor – most people who were diagnosed could expect to survive for a maximum of roughly four years.

“I was surprised to find out that the outcomes were that poor when I did

some research into it after Dad passed away,” Briony said. “He shielded us from all that sort of stuff a bit.

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Considering the research, Briony notes there are new drugs being trialed and there has been some success. The prognosis has been extended to about five or six years now, which is really good. There have been some good advances since Gordon was diagnosed.

Unfortunately, there's still something of a lack of knowledge about that type of cancer, so survival rates still aren't good.

Briony says, "It doesn't get any easier having lost him, but it's given me a determination to help in any way that I can. Hopefully another daughter doesn't have to lose her Dad."

Still a relatively new event, with this year's gathering in Japan the fifth, Ride for One continues to build on its success.



All 28 riders, of which six were female, often stayed in traditional Japanese Ryokans with Onsens (Hot Springs) to assist with the aches, pains and general fatigue after each day's ride.



Briony raised \$15000 for her Ride as One – Japan, making the total raised over her two bike rides to a massive \$27500. An incredible effort for one rather small young lady.

Chairman Gary presented Briony with a bottle of the President's Muscat in appreciation of her visit to our meeting night.

## Attendance

We had 13 members at our dinner meeting but with a number of makeups we had an attendance of 79.17%.

Guests visiting us for the evening were our Honorary Members, Janet & Robert and also former member Margaret Horlock.

Margaret gave us a bit of an update on her life in Hervey Bay, Qld. She now has her own business, "Margaret Horlock, Commercial and Succession Lawyer", generally working from home. Margaret said it was lovely to be back in Corowa to do some work locally and in Albury but she is finding the cold a little hard to deal with.



## Emma's Deb Ball

I don't have much to say, I think the photos say it all. What a wonderful night Emma had with her friends at St. John's Presentation Ball. Sadly today (Tues July 2) Emma heads home to her family.



## Rotarians Abroad

We have quite a few Rotarians out and about travelling. Graham & Margaret, Wally & Lyn, Paul & Meredith and Howard and Jeanette. By all reports they seem to be having a good time.



Graham and Margaret continue their holiday in the south of France, with a base in Avignon. The attached photos are of Graham at Pont du Gard and Margaret at Les Baux-de-Provence village and the castle ruins, a long held must see on the bucket list for Margaret.



Ehrenbreitstein is a huge fortress towering 118 m above the river. It was first settled 4th C BC, was a Roman fort 3 -5 C AD, and has a huge history over the centuries involving sieges by the French, rebuilding as part of the Prussian empire and use as a safe repository for archives and treasures during WWII. There has been a youth hostel here since 1952, a museum since 1956, and is now used as an event centre as well as housing museums, art galleries and the hostel, our digs for a few nights.



Having finished at the Rotary Convention, Wally & Lyn and Paul & Meredith are travelling the Savannah & Charleston, through the Appalachian Mountains south to the bustling tourist town of Gatlinburg, then they travelled through the Amish area of Pennsylvania and ended the week in Valley Forge near Philadelphia.



I haven't heard anything from Howard and Jeanette, but I do believe they have been travelling through the Kimberleys and I am sure they are enjoying the warm weather, unlike us here in Corowa.

So this is how I am imagining that they are relaxing, enjoying the sun, the sand and a couple of drinks.

## Announcements

- This years Subscriptions have been set at \$240 per person. These can be paid on line with the Reference Subs and your surname

Account Name: Rotary Club of Corowa

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- A reminder for those who are attending the 2017 Volunteer Celebration.

The celebration is set for Sunday, July 9 at the Yarrowonga - Mulwala Golf Club Resort. 1.30pm in The Willow Room,  
Motivational Speaker, Don Elgin, Australian Paralympian amputee athlete will share his journey of what is to climb to the top of the world in elite sport.



## Winners are Grinners

This week, once again the very lucky Janet had another win in the Chook Lotto having her number selected for the cut the cards but unfortunately was only able to draw the Ace of Diamonds from our pack of Cards.

Gail was the winner of the President's Muscat and kindly gave the bottle to our visitor Margaret Horlock, as Margaret is having some difficulty coping with the cold weather while visiting from Hervey Bay.

## International Toast.

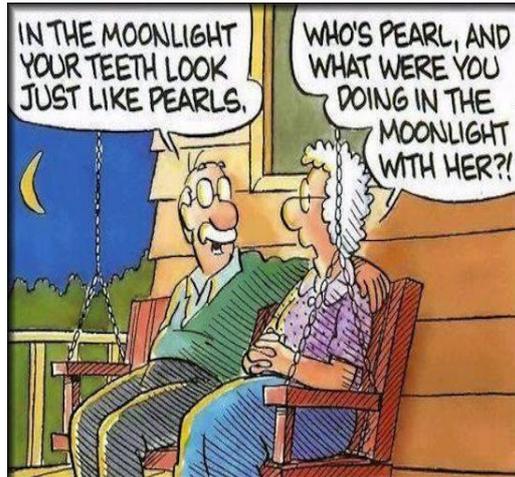


Ian's International Toast this week was to the Rotary Club of Tallinn International, Estonia.

This club is the only English speaking club in Estonia and meet every Wednesday at Restaurant Spot, Vene str 4, Tallinn, 10133, Estonia on Mondays at 6:30pm



## Rib Ticklers



Father Norton woke up Sunday morning and realizing it was an exceptionally beautiful and sunny early spring day, decided he just had to play golf.

So... he told the Associate Pastor that he was feeling sick and persuaded him to say Mass for him that day. As soon as the Associate Pastor left the room, Father Norton headed out of town to a golf course about forty miles away. This way he knew he wouldn't accidentally meet anyone he knew from his parish. Setting up on the first tee, he was alone. After all, it was Sunday morning and everyone else was in church!

At about this time, Saint Peter leaned over to the Lord while looking down from the heavens and exclaimed, "You're not going to let him get away with this, are you?"

The Lord sighed, and said, "No, I guess not."

Just then Father Norton hit the ball and it shot straight towards the pin, dropping just short of it, rolled up and fell into the hole.

IT WAS A 420 YARD HOLE IN ONE!

St. Peter was astonished. He looked at the Lord and asked, "Why did you let him do that?"

The Lord smiled and replied, "Who's he going to tell?"

PEACE BE WITH YOU.



## Being Rotarian



The Board of Directors establishes policy for Rotary International and provides guidance that helps our clubs thrive. Clubs elect the members of the board every year at the international convention with each director serving for two years.

## Apologies

Please remember to notify the Sergeant at Arms, Ray Terrill if you can't attend our weekly meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.

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## Programs

Meeting Date	July 13	July 20	July 27
Venue	Corowa Whisky & Choc Factory Partners Night	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	Sarah Chandler Fred Taylor Award Recipient	Meeting Night	Daniel Corowa Golf Club Cinema
Chairman	Gary	Robyn	Eric
Treasurer	Norman	Norman	Robyn
Rotary Grace	John	Paul Mowlam	Norman
Loyal Toast	Gail	John	Paul Mowlam
International Toast	Graeme C	Gail	John
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*Please arrange your own replacement if you are unable to fulfill your roster duty.*

## Wine Packs



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Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
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