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**Rotary**  
Club of Corowa



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## *February - Peace and Conflict Prevention /Resolution Month*

### **Ageing Well Community Survey**

**Gail Law and  
Deanne Drage**



Gail thanked everyone for the invitation to speak to the Club about this important issue. She is one of 13 newly appointed Ageing Well ambassadors who are charged with the job of surveying the

Community on this vital topic. This is so Federation Council can formulate an Ageing Well Strategy that will identify long term strategies and priority actions for Council over the next four years.

Gail introduced her able assistant – Deanne Drage – who is the Project Consultant. Deanne was busy taking notes as members spoke about the many and varied issues which were raised.

The key areas the survey addressed included

- Outdoor spaces and buildings
- Transportation
- Housing
- Social Participation
- Respect and Inclusion
- Civic Participation and Employment
- Community and Health Services

Ageing still includes being diverse, having human rights, having independence but with support if required.

There was much discussion of issues in the above areas, Gail's key questions were:

- What does ageing well look like?
- What is not so great about ageing?
- What supports does an ageing community have?
- What concerns do you have for the future?
- Do we need more public awareness of available facilities?
- Planning towards ageing and major trigger events leading to change.

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**February 15**

**Peter Lee –  
Domestic  
violence and  
emergency  
housing**

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### **Rotary Graces**

Oh Lord, the giver  
of all good,  
We thank you for  
our daily food.  
May Rotary friends  
and Rotary ways  
Help us to serve  
you all our days.  
Amen

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For good food,  
For good  
fellowship.  
And the  
opportunity for  
service in Rotary,  
We give thanks.  
Amen

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Today we are  
thankful for all  
we've received.  
However we live,  
we firmly believe  
All is a blessing  
that we must pass  
on  
No matter our  
status or where we  
have gone.  
Kindness and  
generosity are what  
we impart  
Showing the world  
what's in Rotary's  
heart.

Some members of the Club pointed out the need to:

- Make your future wishes known
- Complete wills and give power of attorney to family/friend
- Utilising an ageing package – if available
- Obtaining an 'end of life' package' to give advice on steps required to be taken after a family member passes away.

Members took the time to complete the Community Survey. After all the surveys in the wider community are completed, the Steering Committee aims to have a draft of the Strategy available for community comment by April 2018 or by Seniors Week in May.

Chairman Wally thanked Gail and Deanne for their presentation, and was happy to present a bottle of the President's muscat to each of them.



### **International Toast –**

Rtn Bill proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Sophia International, which meets on a Wednesday at the Sophia Hilton, Sophia, Bulgaria.

Bill went on to give us some Rotary Information based on Sophia International. He mentioned that while we find it easy in Australia to belong to a Club like Rotary, it is not the case in other countries.

1921 – discussions commenced re establishing a Rotary Club in Sophia

1933 – Rotary Club was founded

1940 – Nazis put pressure on the government to abolish the Rotary Club, stating that it harboured ethnic minorities such as Jews

1951 – moves took place to re-establish the Rotary Club, but the Communist Party argued against it

1988 – after the Communist Party lost power, there were moves again to re-establish the Rotary Club

1991 – The Rotary Club of Sophia International was established.

### **Attendance**

We enjoyed the company of Deane Drage (Federation Council Ageing Well Project Consultant), 18 Rotarians, Hon Rtms Robert and Janet and our exchange student Vera this evening making a total of 22 present. There were no birthdays this week.

### **Special Celebrations**

1. Rotarians Gail and John recently celebrated their 21<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary.
2. Rotarian Neil and his wife Wendy are also celebrating their wedding anniversary next week.

### **Announcements**

1. Norm is leading a session at the RLI training on February 25<sup>th</sup>. The sessions are for Groups 1 and 3, so if any Rotarian is interested in completing this certificate, Norm is more than happy to provide transport.

### Rotary 4 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?

2. John has set up a U tube link on our Rotary Club of Corowa website, so little clips can be added and viewed. He mentioned the password, which is very like our password for the website.
3. Next week some Club members will be catering for O'Connors at Rowers Park.
4. Bowel Scan will be happening again, and Rtn Graeme continues to be the coordinator.
5. Rtns Meredith and Gail accompanied Vera to the Debrief Weekend at Dookie this last weekend. Congratulations are extended to our Meredith on joining the Youth Exchange Committee. We are sure that with her continuing interest in Youth Exchange, her charm and her ability to tackle and complete projects efficiently, she will be an essential asset to the YE team!
6. CHS think so highly of our Vera's sporting ability that they are using her expertise in helping to train Year 7 students in shot put and discus.

## Corowa Wetlands

The wetland is going along well – the Men's Shed has finished putting in the benches and window sills, the signs have been installed and the pathway has been completed. Most of the plants that the school planted in July are also doing well!!



## Winners are Grinners

Rtn Stephen won the President's muscat this week with the number 42. However, Rtn Paul Mowlam drew 5 spades from the pack – no joy!!

## Coming Events and Club Meetings

Thurs 15/02 – Meeting

**Club Meeting** – Peter Lee – domestic violence and Emergency Housing

Thurs 22/02 – Meeting

**Club Meeting** – Returned exchange student Sarah Hughes – A Year in France

Thurs 01/03 – Meeting

**Club Assembly**

Sun 04/03 – Rotary Federation Markets

## Apologies and Programs

Please remember to notify the Sergeant at Arms, **Paul Miegel** if you **CAN NOT** attend our weekly meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.

If you are arranging a guest speaker, please advise Paul of the number of people attending and if they need the screen and projector.

Paul can be contacted by:

Phone or text on **0499 878 529** or email [miegelpm@bigpond.com](mailto:miegelpm@bigpond.com)

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE REPLY DETAILS HAVE CHANGED**

**The deadline for replies continues to be 11 am on Thursday**

Meeting Date	Feb 22	Mar 01	Mar 08
Venue	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	Returned Exchange Student Sarah Hughes	Assembly	TBA
Chairman	John L	Gary P	Paul Miegel
Treasurer	Gail L	John L	Meredith M
Rotary Grace	Wally C	Gail L	John L
Loyal Toast	Graeme C	Wally C	Gail L
International Toast	Graham B	Graeme C	Wally C
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Sergeants Help	Bill B	Ian B	Graham B

***Please arrange your own replacement if you are unable to fulfill your roster duty.***

## Rib Tickler

### A BOTTLE OF WINE

Sally was driving home from one of her business trips in Northern Arizona when she saw an elderly Navajo woman walking on the side of the road.

As the trip had been a long and quiet one, she stopped the car and asked the Navajo woman if she would like a ride.

With a silent nod of thanks, the woman got into the car.

Resuming the journey, Sally tried in vain to make a bit of small talk with the Navajo woman. The old woman just sat silently, looking intently at everything she saw, studying every little detail; until she noticed a brown bag on the seat next to Sally.

'What in bag?' asked the old woman?

Sally looked down at the brown bag and said, 'It's a bottle of wine, I got it for my husband.'

The Navajo woman was silent for another moment or two.

Then speaking with the quiet wisdom of an elder, she said:

'Good trade.....'

## Wine Packs



Fortified wine pack order form  
(within Australia only)

Email orders to [admin@corowarotary.org.au](mailto:admin@corowarotary.org.au)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Delivery Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City Town:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Post Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Special Delivery Instructions:** \_\_\_\_\_

	Price	Qty.	Total
Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
Postage & Handling (Traceable Post Pack)	\$10.00		
Total			

### METHOD OF PAYMENT

Cheques made payable to Rotary Club of Corowa  
Credit Card Payments, please complete this authority  
Card Type – (circle) VISA, MASTERCARD

**Card number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Exp.** \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

**Card Holder Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Card Holders Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION:** This wine has not been purchased for resale by a licensed person or their representative. I am over 18 years of age.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

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