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April - Maternal and Child Health Month

Corowa Rowing Club

21 members and guests enjoyed the lavish hospitality of the Corowa Rowing Club. The sight of a tastefully decorated and set up meal table greeted the members on arrival, and the smiling faces of Cassie Hughes in the kitchen and Stacey Whitechurch at the bar made us all feel very welcome. Other members of the Rowing Club on hand to make the evening proceed smoothly were Stacey Price, Leanne Pearsall, Stuart Pearsall and Rowing Club President Robert (Scotch) O'Halloran.



Clockwise: members socialising; Stuart and Stacey on the bar; Graham and Paul; the three wise men Bill, Gary and Norm; Crystal Bateman and Scotch O'Halloran.

A generous serving of delicious vege curry (beef or chicken) and rice followed by sticky date pudding and platters of fruit and small cakes provided us with more than we could possibly eat. Gary introduced President Scotch, thanking him and the Rowing Club for their hospitality.

**2017-18
President**
Gary Poidevin OAM

District Governor
Bernie Bott

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International
President**
Ian H.S., Riseley

Program & Roster

Corowa RSL Club

Thursday APR 12

**Rutherglen
Rotary Club
return visit @
Corowa RSL**

Chairman
Ray T

Treasurer
David T

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Robyn R

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Norman O

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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

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

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.

Scotchy spoke to the Club at the conclusion of the meal with an outline of his vision for the future of the Rowing Club.

- The shed is open for use all year round, as the gym section can be used rain or shine.
- The club instigated a Learn to Row program this year, with 14 new rowers joining and 2 of these becoming champion rowers.
- The Club involves members aging from 8 years to 85 years, and they have been involved in many rowing regattas this year. They are very proud of several of their rowers who placed well in Australian National Championships.
- Members of the Rowing Club are involved in CHS Wednesday afternoon sporting program, with several members coming down to assist with training the 14 students currently electing rowing as their sport.

In the future, Scotchy would like to

- lengthen the kitchen and install a dish washer.
- He would like the bar to be moved closer to the roller door so it can be a mobile servery on social nights to those outside on the grass.
- The gym area needs new carpet and the addition of a door with key card entry would give security.
- The installation of a closed circuit TV and security system and also a sound system which can be utilised in the gym and outside would both be assets.

The Rowing Club is very family oriented, and insists on the involvement of parents. They have a strong committee who works hard, along with the sponsors, to get the best equipment for the rowers to use in competitions – to give them the best chance for success. Scotchy said that the Club “want to look after the kids, as kids are the future”.



On behalf of the Club, Rtn Gail commended the Corowa Rowing Club on their work involving the young people of the town and thanked them for their involvement with our youth exchange students over the years. President Gary was very pleased to present the CRC with a donation from the Rotary Club.

Chelsea Boyer

Chelsea, accompanied by her mum Kylie, gave a talk to the Club about her background, her dancing and the exciting prospects in front of her. Currently studying in Year 12 at Galen, Chelsea has been dancing since the age of 2.

However, she really 'got serious' about her dancing at age 10, when she found it to be a refuge from the bullying she had been receiving at school, plus a source of friendships. In fact she regards her dancing school as her second family and her dancing teacher as her second 'Mum'. Dancing allowed her to “open up as a person and flower as an individual” she said.

Chelsea became interested in musical theatre and attended Patrick Studios in Prahan to dance both with a group and in solo competitions. She also became involved with Jason Coleman's Ministry of Dance, Melbourne. In 2017 Chelsea and her family went to see the UDO (United Dance Organisation)

Melbourne Street Dance competition. Unbeknown to Chelsea, her mum Kylie had entered her into the competition!! This involved three stages of dancing, with eliminations happening at each stage, and the result was that Chelsea gained third place and the right to represent Australia in the World Street Dance Championships 2018 to be held in Glasgow in August 2018.

Chelsea is currently not only training hard but fund raising. Conscious she is the only one of the competitors from rural Australia to be selected to compete, her message is if you work hard you can achieve your dreams. After Present Gary presented her with a cheque, Chelsea thanked the Rotary Club for their support and is very happy to return after the competition to continue her story.



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?

Exchange Student Vera

1. Vera brought her friend Crystal Bateman along this evening. Both Vera and Crystal had been to a rugby training session before they came.
2. This Saturday 7th April Vera leaves to go on Safari for three weeks and she is very excited at the prospect.
3. Vera intends to make her debut in June.
4. Vera competed in the Corowa HS athletics carnival this week and of course she excelled in her special disciplines. She is leaving CHS with a couple of records that future track and field athletes will find a challenge to beat!! While the shotput record was about 6.5 m, our Vera threw 11m. The discus was the same story, with Vera throwing a massive 32.23 m, which was over double the previous record. According to Frankie Goodall, Vera 'ran like lightening', and she came first in the triple jump event.

Well done Vera!

Rotary Information and Rotary Youth programs

1. Rtn Meredith announced that our next inbound exchange student will be Benoit Turmeau from Courtillers. His home village is south west of Paris and is near Nantes and Tours, en route towards Brest on the coast. It has a population of 1,000 people and parts of the village date from the 11th C, including the church. Aged 17 last March, Benoit likes every kind of sport, but mostly athletics and football.
2. Although we have several host families lined up, Gary asked if any other members would like to host. Rtn Gail mentioned her son Nigel is very keen to host, especially over the summer holidays when he can take Benoit camping, fishing and boating.
3. We are advertising at the High School for any outbound applicants for 2019 and also for any students interested in attending the National Science Forum
4. Rtn John has received letters from 5 students applying for the Fred Taylor Memorial Scholarship. The make up of the interview panel was discussed. Helen Raynoldson is willing to be the independant member, with Rtns Paul and Stephen willing to be involved. Rtn Gail is also willing to participate if required.

Attendance and Special Celebrations

Present this evening were 17 Rotarians, Exchange student Vera with her friend Crystal Bateman and Hon Rotarians Janet and Robert.

Robert announced that 46 years ago on Easter Saturday – which happened to be 1st April – he married the lovely Janet.

♥♥♥♥♥♥ *Congratulations!* ♥♥♥♥♥♥

Announcements

1. Many thanks to all the Club members who worked over the busy Easter weekend at the many venues.
2. The raffle for the weekend made a profit of \$716.
3. The Billy Cart Championships on the Saturday were well attended. There were 30 stalls in the park on the Sunday and there were many visitors, making a sizeable total for the gate takings. The Easter egg hunt went well and \$401.50 was donated to the organisers of the Easter Egg celebration.
4. Because the B&S Ball next January falls on Australia Day, and many bands and entertainers are being booked already, Gary presented some singers and a supporting band as options for us to hire. ***Gail moved that Gary go ahead and book these entertainers. Passed unanimously.***
5. Board meeting will take place this Tuesday 10th April at Potts & Schnelle @ 5.45pm. As Sec Neil is away, Rtn Eric will stand in as secretary for the meeting

Coming Events and Club Meetings

TUES 10/04 – Board meeting – Potts & Schnelle @ 5.45 pm

THURS 12/04 - Rutherglen Rotary Club Exchange Visit

WED 18/04 – Meal and social night

WED 25/04 – ANZAC DAY - NO MEETING

WED 2/5 – Meal and Social Night

SUN 6/5 – Rotary Markets

TUES 8/5 – Board meeting

WED 9/5 – Meeting – Alister McGregor – Ambulance (TBC)

WED 16/5 – Meal and Social Night

WED 23/5 – Meeting – Barbara Hinch – Beaded animals for Africa (TBC)

WED 30/5 – Meal and Social Night

SUN 3/6 – Rotary Markets

WED 6/6 – Meal and Social Night

TUES 12/6 – Board Meeting

WED 13/6 – Meeting – Lyn Fredericks – Coopering (TBC)

WED 20/6 – Meal and Social Night

WED 27/6 – Meeting – Vera Toppara – A Year in Australia

SUN 1/7 – Rotary Markets

WED 4/7 – Meal and Social Night

TUES 10/7 – Board Meeting

THUR 12/7 - CHANGEOVER

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

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE REPLY DETAILS HAVE CHANGED

The deadline for replies continues to be 11 am on Thursday

Meeting Date	WED Apr 18	WED Apr 25	WED May 2
Venue	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	Meal and social night	ANZAC DAY	Meal and Social Night
Chairman	Stephen A	NO MEETING	Bill B
Treasurer	Ray T		Stephen A
Rotary Grace	David T		Ray T
Loyal Toast	Eric S		David T
International Toast	Robyn R		Eric S
Rotary Information	Norman O		Robyn R
Sergeants Help	Paul Miegel		Norman O

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

Rib Ticklers

Harry's Mobile Phone Lesson

After a very busy day, a commuter settled down in her seat and closed her eyes as the train departed the station for the trip home.

As the train rolled out of the station, the guy sitting next to her pulled out his mobile phone and started talking in a loud voice: "Hi sweetheart it's Harry, I'm on the train – yes, I know it's the six thirty and not the four thirty but I had a long meeting – no, honey, not with that floozie from the accounts office, with the boss. No sweetheart, you're the only one in my life – yes, I'm sure, cross my heart'...

Fifteen minutes later, he was still talking loudly. The young woman sitting next to him, who was obviously angered by his continuous diatribe, yelled at the top of her voice: "Harry, turn that stupid phone off and come back to bed!"

Harry doesn't use his mobile phone in public any longer.

Wine Packs



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Email orders to admin@corowarotary.org.au

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Delivery Address: _____

City Town: _____

State: _____ **Post Code:** _____

Contact Number: _____

Special Delivery Instructions: _____

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Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
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Total			

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