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The ROTARY CLUB of COROWA

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Service Above Self

79 Years of Service

Combined Rotary Club Meeting & Peter Wright

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Program and Roster:

RSL CLUB

Wednesday 3rd APRIL

David Talbot

Chairman
Alan W

Treasurer
Ray T

Rotary Grace
Howard S

Loyal Toast
Deb R

International Toast
Benoit T

Rotary Information
Norm O'F

Sergeant's Help
Jeff N

This weeks meeting was a combined Rotary Club Meeting. These meeting have become biannual event between the Rotary Club of Corowa and Rotary Club of Rutherglen. This time our club hosted at the Chocolate and Whisky Factory. We also had a guest speaker: Peter Wright OAM, who spoke about his time in the SES and in Australia.

Peter was born in Glasgow in 65 years ago. He immigrated to Australia when he was 16 and was counted as a 10 pound Pom, hence his nickname: "Pete the Pom". He landed in Sydney and spent 2 weeks there till he accepted a job on Bill and Pat Quilhampton's farm. He stated that it was the best start he could have had, by being thrown in to the deep end of farming and being accepted by caring and loving people. He started playing footy for Coreen in 1972 before moving to Waygunyah in 1975. He lived and worked around Albury for a while before starting work at Fidelity Meats at the piggery construction and later at Fidelity Feeds at the feed mill. Peter then worked at Riverlea (and all the other feed mill names) until 2010 where he ended as the Operations Manager after 34 years.

In 1977 he married his lovely wife Raelene and later went on to have 2 wonderful sons, 2 special daughters in law and 4 beautiful grandchildren. Peter spoke fondly of his family and how important it has been in his life, especially Raelene, whom he could never have gotten as far in life without her support.

Peter joined the Corowa Rescue Squad in 1978 as a founding member and he has helped it grow into a very strong regional squad. He qualified as a diver in 1980 to help in the Rescue Squad and he has attended many river and weir scenes in his capacity as a diver. Whilst Peter spoke about the emotional and stressful toll the squad can take, he is very proud to be part of a group of people who save lives and is an essential part of the community. Peter has been a valuable part of our community for over 40 years. He has been involved with the "Cool Heads" Program, was elected to the Corowa Shire Council in 1990 for 5 years, was a founding member of the "Don't – Txt – and Drive" campaign and currently has his own consultancy business "Stockfeed Milling Services", which has taken him all around the world.

Peter's talk showcased how important it is to be apart of the community and to volunteer. Peter has had a very interesting life so far and this year he earned an OAM for his service to the community. Thank you for speaking to both our clubs and you are welcome back at anytime. (Next time bring your awesome wife!!)

Upcoming Events:

Wed 3rd April: David Talbot - RSL
Wed 10th April: Program and Venue TBC
Wed 17th April: Knitting Knockers – RSL
Wed 24th April: Program and Venue TBC

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Rotary Grace:

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 to Serve in Rotary,
We Give Thanks.
Amen.

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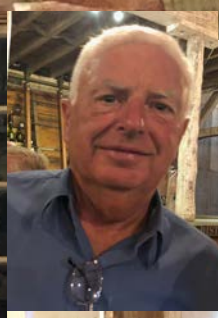
Today we are thankful for all we've received.
However we live, we firmly believe
All is a blessing that we must pass on
No matter our status or where we have gone. Kindness and generosity are what we impart
Showing the world what's in Rotary's heart.

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?

BENOIT
TURMEAU



From the President…

Sometimes within rotary it is possible to lose sight of a principal objective we have, which is to give service through our volunteering. Last weekend I participated in a very pleasant experience in being one of the four club members who travelled out to Oaklands to assist the Belvoir-Wodonga Rotary Club, who had taken on the task of manning the gate in support of the Oaklands Truck Show.

I believe that Neil Davis, Jeff Nixon and David Talbot would all agree with me that Saturday was thoroughly enjoyable and the opportunity to work with our fellow rotary members from another District Club, Belvoir-Wodonga was especially rewarding. My thanks to Neil, Jeff and David for giving their time to also support this major community event for the Oaklands Community.

Many of our members will remember with fondness the era; now sadly past; when we would man the gate at final times for the Coreen and District football League. The pleasure we got from those final gate manning adventures of years ago, was for the four of us revisited on Saturday at the Oaklands Truck Show.

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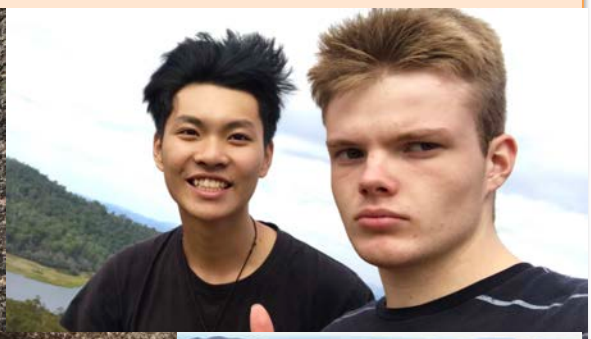
Announcements

International toast: None this week.
Rotary Information: None this week.

1: Benoit: Reminder our awesome **Exchange Student Benoit** is available to go with any Club member on any activity - please give him a ring: his **Mobile is 0490 026 515**.



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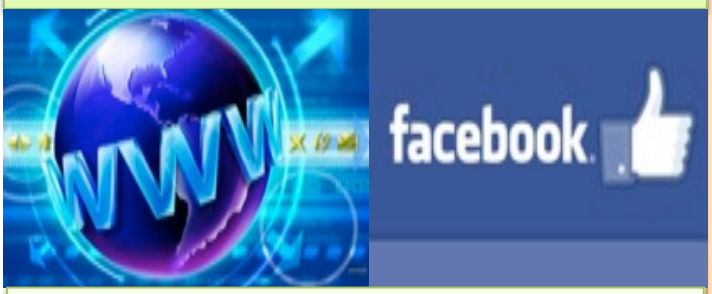
http://www.corowarotary.org.au

We are also on FACEBOOK!

https://www.facebook.com/corowarotary/



WINE PACKS

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$60

Order form on the Website:

www.corowarotary.org.au

Raffle:

Presidents Muscat:
Rot Jeff N and Sam D

Cut the Cards:
Bev B

Meeting Date	WED April 10th	WED April 17th	WED April 24th
Venue	TBC	RSL CLUB	RSL CLUB
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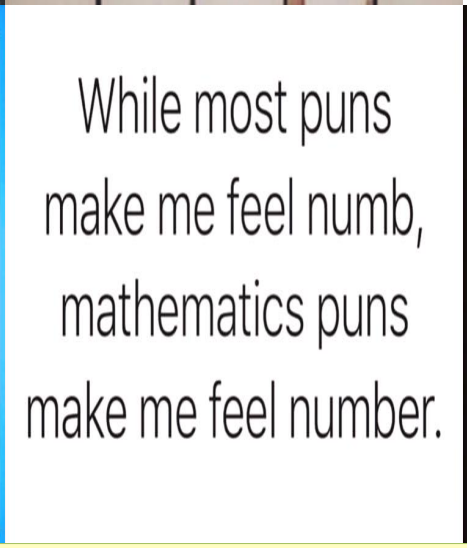
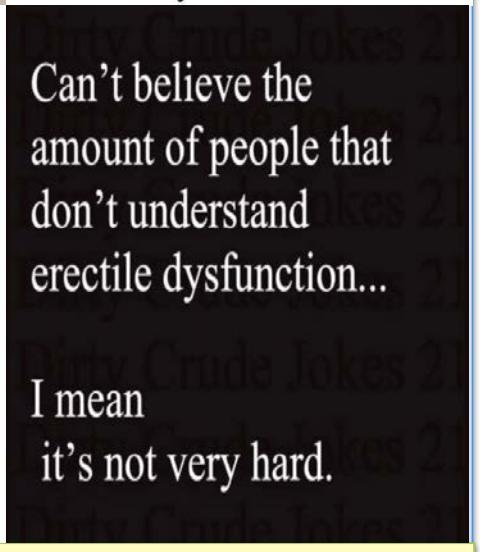
and on the lighter side... HAHAHA!!





Please remember to notify **Neil Davis** 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 Neil of the number of people attending and if they need the screen and projector.

Neil can be contacted by:
Phone or text on **0499 878 529** or email davis98@bigpond.net.au
The deadline for replies is 11 am on Wednesday

The Rotary Club Of Corowa meets every WEDNESDAY at the Corowa RSL Club: 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

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