



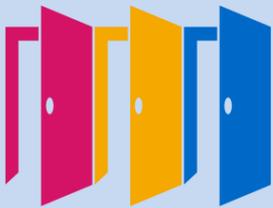
The ROTARY CLUB of COROWA



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Service Above Self

82 Years of Service



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Program and Roster:

Royal Hotel

Wed 10th March

Guest Speaker

Max

Chairman

Ian Brooks

Treasurer

Graeme C

Rotary Grace

Neil

Loyal Toast

Wally

International Toast

Lis

Rotary Information

Rosie (away)

Sergeants Help

Robyn

International Toast: Rotary Club of San Sebastian, Spain meet at their original location, the elegant Hotel Londres, which has looked out over the La Concha beachfront promenade for more than a century. The members get together weekly to discuss their ongoing projects — except in August, that is, when they take a break because so many people in Spain, as in the rest of Europe, are vacationing. They have a monthly social event as well, an opportunity, Alava says, to celebrate their accomplishments. Three years ago, they created a strategic plan with ideas for projects that were important to their mission and involved an element of community outreach. These include several projects to benefit children with cancer and their families; raising funds for a companion dog for a child with severe autism; and working to help people living in poverty. The club now has 23 members, and public perception of the organization is taking a noticeable turn. "People thought of Rotarians as rebels," he says. "Now I think that is changing."



Guest Speaker: Fiona Marshall



Fiona Marshall lives and work with husband Craig at Redbank 20km north of Mulwala where Craig's family have farmed for 3 generations, with their children being the fourth generation. They have 3 children - Daniel 23, Meghan 21 and Sam 18 and have two full time employees Andrew and James who are part of our family as well as part of our business. Together we farm a number of properties spread between Savernake and the Merton rd where we are neighbours to Rose and Robbie. Fiona did not grow up in a farming family. Her father is an engineer who worked in the oil industry. His work took us to Bahrain in the Middle East and The United States so we were far removed from Agriculture in Australia, in fact coming to visit in 1996 shortly after they married was the first time her Father had ever visited a farm. Fiona attended St Martin's in the Pines boarding school in Ballarat travelling back to Bahrain in the holidays before completing a Bachelor of Applied Biology at RMIT. Fiona's first job was with the Department of Agriculture working in Plant Genetic Research before she attained her Graduate Diploma in Education and began my teaching career. Fiona's Agricultural education began when she married Craig in 1996. Craig has been a very patient teacher over the years and together they are still learning! Over the 25 years (next week) they have been farming together and have experienced drought, flood, severe hail damage, frost, the breakdown of rust resistance in a number of crop varieties, a mouse plague, Heliothis damage in canola, the end of the single desk for the export of grain, huge fluctuations in grain prices and input costs, herbicide resistance in weeds, the introduction of genetically manipulated crops and enormous changes in the size and technological complexity of farm machinery. On a daily basis they deal with other producers, agronomists, accountants, agents, sales people, insurance companies, lawyers, grain traders, employees, contractors and Government Departments. All of these events and interactions are learning opportunities which have contributed to a deep knowledge of Agriculture and Agribusiness in the Riverina. Coming to agriculture from outside the industry has given Fiona insight into, and appreciation of, the complexity and diversity of the industry and the people who work in it. Along with being the primary administrator in our farming business she also is serving as the Deputy Chair of the newly elected inaugural board of the Riverine plains Farming Systems group based in Mulwala and has recently completed a term on the Southern Panel of the GRDC - Grains Research and Development Corporation. These roles both compliment her work on the farm but they also allow Fiona to use the skills she's gathered both within and outside their farm business over the last 30 years. Women have always been critical to the success of agriculture and agricultural communities but when asked to think of a farmer how many of you would picture a woman? According to ABARES, The Australian Bureau of Agricultural Resource Economics, 32 percent of workers in agriculture are women, but this number is likely to be higher with many women not rightly recognised for their contribution to the industry. It was not until 1994 that women were legally allowed to call themselves a farmer!! Until then women on the land were defined as "unproductive silent partners", "domestics", "helpmates", "home duties" or even, God forbid, "farmers wives"! They were invisible. The last 27 years have seen the visibility of women in Agriculture increase at every level and it is heartening to see Fiona Simpson serving the industry as president of the National Farmers Federation. There have been many amazing women in the history of agriculture in this area since Elizabeth Hume in the 1840s. They have excelled in all aspects of the industry both within their own businesses and communities and contributing to the success of Australian Agriculture as a whole. I have been lucky to benefit from the mentorship of a number of these amazing women. Farming women tend to be community builders and supporters and ABARES statistics bear this out with rural women being 15 percent more likely to volunteer than their urban counterparts. It is a well known adage that the work ethic and generosity of women on the land is legendary. Fiona wants everyone to know that Agriculture is an exciting, viable, equal opportunity career choice with huge variety, and, for those interested in tertiary studies, more jobs than graduates. Fiona's take away message for all of you is to talk to your young people, and particularly your girls, about the fantastic, diverse career opportunities they have on their doorstep in this beautiful area with its rich agricultural history and strong rural communities.



Corowa Races Sat 6th March
 11am Horse Gate- Ian Brooks & Neil
 11.30 am Front Gate- Robyn, Deb, Sandie & Barrie

Sunday 7th March Corowa Rotary Market

BBQ pick up Neil

Early Shift- Neil, Barrie, David Potts, Jeff Nixon, Ian Kerr, Deb & Kerrie

BBQ cooks- David Potts & Paul Miegel

Late shift- David Talbot, Robyn, Rosie, Cooper, Margaret, Graham B & Stephen(maybe)



Stuff you didn't know you didn't know!

Men can read smaller print than women can; women can hear better.

Coca-Cola was originally green.

It is impossible to lick Your elbow.

The State with the highest percentage of people who walk to work: Alaska

The percentage of Africa that is wilderness: 28%

(now get this...)

The percentage of North America that is wilderness: 38%

The cost of raising a medium-size dog to the age of eleven: \$ 16,400

The average number of people airborne over the U.S. in any given hour: 61,000

Intelligent people have more zinc and copper in their hair.

The first novel ever written on a typewriter, Tom Sawyer.

The San Francisco Cable cars are the only mobile National Monuments.

Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:

Spades - King David

Hearts - Charlemagne

Clubs -Alexander, the Great

Diamonds - Julius Caesar

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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 for
Serve 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.**

Norm O'Flaherty Irish tribute

Irish Boxy

Boxty is a traditional Irish dish made of potatoes. An old Irish rhyme goes: 'Boxty on the griddle, boxty on the pan; if you can't make boxty, you'll never get a man'.

Ingredients

Original recipe yields 6 servings

1 ½ cups grated raw potatoes

1 cup all-purpose flour

1 cup leftover mashed potatoes

1 egg

1 tablespoon skim milk

salt and pepper to taste

¼ cup olive oil



Directions

Step 1

Toss the grated potatoes with flour in a large bowl. Stir in mashed potatoes until combined. In a separate bowl, whisk together the egg and skim milk; mix into the potatoes. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Step 2

Heat the olive oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Drop in the potato mixture, forming patties about 2 inches in diameter. Fry on both sides until golden brown, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Drain on a paper towel-lined plate. Serve warm.

Raffle

Presidents Muscat: Wally Cann



Cut the cards:

Robert Dickins (going for hat trick next week)



Meeting Date	Wed 17th Mar	Wed 24th Mar	Wed 31st Mar	Wed 7 th April
Venue	Bush Furniture	Royal Hotel	Royal Hotel	Royal Hotel
Program	Bush Furniture	Lis	tba	tba
Chairman	Alan Wilson	Bill Bott	David Talbot	Jeff Nixon
Treasurer	Ian Brooks	Alan Wilson	Bill Bott	David Talbot
Rotary Grace	Graeme C	Ian Brooks	Alan Wilson	Bill Bott
Loyal Toast	Neil	Graeme C	Ian Brooks	Alan Wilson
International Toast	Wally	Neil	Graeme C	Ian Brooks
Rotary Information	Lis	Wally	Neil	Graeme C
Sergeants Help	Rosie	Lis	Wally	Neil

Rotary Club of Corowa: Website:

<http://www.corowarotary.org.au>

We are also on FACEBOOK!

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



And on a lighter side hahahaha



Graham Brown who identifies himself as a "keen gardener"

Struggling to get your wife's attention?

Just sit down and look comfortable.



Pottsy aka "Scooter Boy"



Ian Brooks working @ Beechworth Tannery back in the day



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

attending and if they need the screen and projector.

Neil can be contacted by:

Phone or text on **0400 481 496** or email davis98@bigpond.net.au

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE REPLY DETAILS HAVE CHANGED



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

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