

Rotary Club of Corowa



83 years of Service

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Program and Roster:

Royal Hotel

Fri 29th April

Program

Tumut Rotary

Chairman

Gary

Treasurer

Dave

Rotary Grace

Sally

Loyal Toast

Ian K

International Toast

Ray

Rotary Information

Howard

Seargents Help

Norm

International Toast- Club Heidelberg – Neckar

Club meets takes place every Wednesday at 7.30 pm. Our club bar is the “Weisser Bock” in Heidelberg.

“Panta Rhei” – everything flows:

- + Constantly renew yourself, face the changing conditions
- + Accept new challenges and shape them with creativity
- + Opening up to new members. Build, maintain and renew friendships
- + Reach out to those who need your help

These are our goals, the goals of the Rotary Club Heidelberg – Neckar.

“Panta Rhei” – everything flows:

Therefore, the river – the Neckar – is our symbol and we bear its name!

The Rotary Club Heidelberg – Neckar is the youngest Heidelberg Rotary Club. We chartered as a mixed club on 10/11/2006. We, the friends, shape this club, we help, we lend a hand and of course we like to celebrate together.



BBQ this Sunday 8am – 11am Cougars Ground

Bill Pentney getting bbq

Paul. Rosie. Deb & Bill

Markets 1st May Gary getting BBQ

Early shift – Neil, Stacey, David P & Gary

Late shift - Sal, Alan

Volunteers need please



Guest Speaker - Sam King

Sam got into Medal mounting by chance, in 2009 when Sam was in the army and received a medal he was given three days to have it mounted so he didn't have to do guard duty. Military do not organise the mounting of medals anymore



it is up to the individual to organise themselves. Sam was watching the ABC on day and saw a Mr John Craig Story about a POW of Singapore and when he saw that John's medals were looking tattered and ribbons torn he contacted the station to ask them to pass on his details to John. John took up the offer for Sam to restore his war medals to their former glory, and John got to wear his medals 3 more times in ANZAC parade before passing away.

Why do I do this? To honour comrades, former servicemen and women. In 1815 The Duke of Wellington pushed for all soldiers to be awarded service medals. In 1850 Queen Victoria ordered all soldiers be awarded for valour. In 1975 Australia had its own medal system begin. Sam does restoration, replicas, military/ civil badges. There are court mounted and swing mounted. Medals are made out of Silver, Gold, Platinum, Bronze, Pewter, Tin, Copper and modern badges today Copper-Nickel.

Victoria Cross – is the premier gallantry award in the world. Awarded for conspicuous gallantry of daring or pre-eminent act of Valour or sacrifice. Their actions must have changed the course of the battle. Instituted by Queen Victoria in 1856 the original VC's were struck from the bronze of 2 Chinese cannons captured from the Russians at Sebastopol. Post 1991 Australia has instituted its own Victoria Cross of which only 4 have been awarded. Pre 1991 96 Australian have been awarded the VC.

George Cross- King George the 6th instituted this award in 1940 for acts of the greatest heroism or most conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme danger. Rarer than the VC only 20 Australians have been awarded this medal. This medal was ceased to be issued in Australia in 1975. The GC was awarded to the entire Island of Malta on the 15th April 1942 and is on display in the war museum in St Elmos Fort Valletta. The flag of Malta was changed to bare the GC and was adopted in 1964 as the National Flag of Malta.

Memorial Plaque Death Penny- The first memorial plaques made bore Lord Kitcheners name as he was killed in June 1916 when the ship he was sailing to Russia was sunk west of the Orkney Islands, likely to an Allied mine. The reason multiple Plaques bare his name is because they used his name in the trial before manufacture stage.

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

.....
For Good Food,
For Good Fellowship
And the opportunity
for Serve 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.

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?

Memorial Plaque

The Memorial Plaque was issued after the First World War to the Next of Kin of all British and Empire Service Personnel who were killed as a result of the War.

The plaques were made of bronze and were popularly known as the "Dead Man's Penny" or "Death Penny" because of the similarity to the much smaller Penny coin.

A total of 450 tonnes of bronze was used to produce 1,355,000 plaques, which continued to be issued into the 1930's.

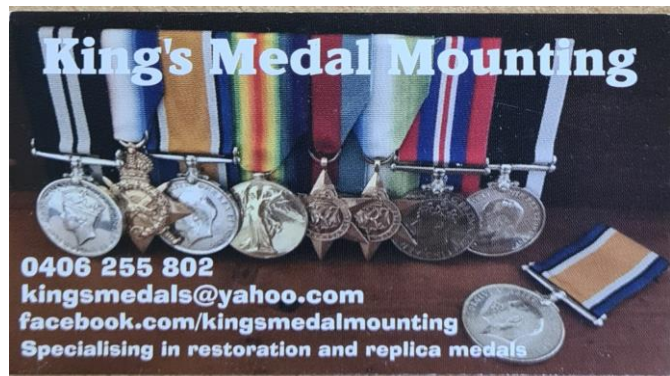
The plaque of 5" (or 120mm) cast in bronze was to be picked from submissions made in a public competition (similar to the Australian National Flag). Over 800 designs were submitted and the competition was won by a sculptor and medallist, Edward Carter Prestdn, using an alias "Paramus".

The design includes "Britannia" holding a trident and standing with a lion. The designer's initials, E.C.P, appear above the front paw of the lion. In her outstretched left hand Britannia holds an olive wreath above a rectangular tablet bearing the name of the Deceased, the name does not include their Rank as the sacrifice of one's life is regarded as the Ultimate and Equal regardless of Rank, i.e.; A Private Soldier and Major both die but the end state is the same for both and they made the ultimate sacrifice.

Two dolphins swim around Britannia, symbolising Britain's sea power and at the bottom a second lion is tearing apart the German Eagle. Around the edge in capital letters it reads "HE DIED FOR FREEDOM AND HONOUR", A total of 600 plaques were issued to the Next of Kin of women with "SHE" instead of "HE", these were issued last as; the tooling had to be modified.



Left to right - Memorial Plaque, 1914 Star- Mons STAR, 1914-15 Star commonly called the Gallipoli Star in Australia, 1914-18 War Medal, Merchant Marine Medal, Victory 1914-19 Medal(war ended in 1918? Not quite, allies still fought in Russia through 1919), ANZAC Medallion.





Bill Pentney 22 Apr 1956



Rotarians if you would like to pay for your Wednesday dinners online please pay into this account

Name: Rotary Club of Corowa
 BSB: 082 559
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 Your ref: Meal & Name

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Website:

<http://www.corowarotary.jimdo.com>

We are also on FACEBOOK!

<https://www.facebook.com>

Please remember to notify **Neil Davis** if you **CAN NOT** attend our weekly meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.

Neil can be contacted by:

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Deadline for replies is 11am Wed

Raffle Presidents Muscat: Norm



Cut the cards: Norm



Meeting Date	Wed 4 th May	Wed 11 th May	Wed 18 th May
Venue	Royal Hotel	Royal Hotel	James Squire
Program	Cpacks Cristy Jakka	Fellowship	Rutherglen Rotary
Chairman	Stephen Apps	Neil	Fellowship
Treasurer	Gary	Stephen	
Rotary Grace	David T	Gary	
Loyal Toast	Sally	David T	
International Toast	Ian K	Sally	
Rotary Information	Ray	Ian K	
Sergeants Help	Howard	Ray	

Deb's bright side of life

The Anzac Book: Humour during the horrors of war

It was put together in a dugout overlooking Anzac Cove during the final weeks of the Gallipoli campaign as Turkish bullets and heavier ordnance whistled overhead.

At least one soldier was killed while preparing his contribution for The Anzac Book, written and illustrated by Diggers as they sheltered under waterproof sheets or a roof of sandbags in the trenches.

Amid the horror and carnage of the Anzacs' eight months on Gallipoli, what emerged was the laconic and often brutal sense of humour that would become a hallmark of the Aussie character.



The Book of Anzac, edited by famous war correspondent C.E.W. Bean, can now be read online but, a century on; original hardcover volumes are becoming increasingly rare.

The Rotary Club Of Corowa meets every WEDNESDAY @ The Royal Hotel: 6.30pm for a 7pm start

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