



# IMAGINE ROTARY

## CLUB ASSEMBLY



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#### Program and Roster:

#### Combined meeting

Corowa and  
Rutherglen

#### Venue:

**GOLF CLUB**

**Wednesday 7th  
MARCH**

**Chairman  
Graham B**

**Treasurer**

**Rotary Grace  
Alan W**

**Loyal Toast  
Ray T**

**International Toast  
David T**

**Rotary Information  
Howard S**

**Sergeant's Help  
Deb R**

**This week's meeting was a Club Assembly lead by President Stephen.**

#### Meals

- Various members indicated their dissatisfaction with the meals – the proposed increase in price; value for money, lack of choice and (tonight) the 'entrée' size of the mains.
- Other members mentioned that we do have the advantage of a private room, table service and a lockable cupboard for our equipment.
- With the advent of the new chef, the meals have improved and the Royal is trying to cater to our requests.
- The question was raised regarding a possible alternate venue. The Royal is charging \$20, the RSL would be charging \$24 per head. We would then have to add on the usual \$5 to cover President's wine and raffles; money to pay for guest speaker and other Club funded guests (eg exchange student); and money to be donated to Foundation in each member's name (EREY)
- Another member made the comment that the question of the meals and cost is an issue with which we continually wrestle.
- President Stephen commented that the rise in meal costs will be absorbed by the Club this financial year but will definitely go up after Changeover. He will talk to the owners and work on some issues.
- Rotarians who do not tender their apology to Deb will definitely be invoiced for their meals.
- Prospective members still get their first meal free.
- A guest speaker has no charge for a meal, but any extra people accompanying the speaker should be paying for their own meal.

#### Bursaries

Graham announced that he had been in contact with each of the local schools to ascertain the enrolment numbers – as requested by the Board re the End of Year Bursaries. He was pleased to report the following enrolment numbers: Corowa PS-185, Corowa Sth PS-41, Lowesdale-9, St Marys-152, Howlong-184, Corowa HS-320

#### Bulletin

With Bill's absence for six months, Graham felt it was unfair that the publication of the Bulletin should fall to Deb and Stephen, both of whom have full time jobs and have other positions in the Club.

#### Mens Shed raffle

- Some members indicated their disappointment that the Mens Shed was refused permission to hold a raffle at our Federation Market. It was felt that we were seen not to be supportive of another community group which works to fill a need for others in the town.
- Some members wondered if the raffle on certain market days could be allocated to other group(s)
- It was pointed out that all proceeds of the raffles during the year go to putting on the Federation weekend. The raffles usually raise roughly \$5000 pa, which goes towards paying for the bands and the festival. As a Rotary Club we can put up a motion to pick two or three months a year to open the raffle to another organisation, but it diminishes our opportunity to raise money for the festival.

### **Federation Council and Service Groups**

Following the recent meeting of the service clubs and Federation Council to enable a better working relationship, the hope was expressed that the Club would keep supporting this move to enable more festivals and events happening in the town. This meeting was attended by Rtns Bill B, Gary and Paul and, in another capacity as chair, Rtn Steve Kent.

### **Fellowship**

Mel would like the opportunity to sit near different members.

AON Insurance Documentation

Incoming President Bill was requesting a meeting on Sunday of various members re consulting on the assets register for the 2023-24 insurance survey documents.

Wetlands

- Following the flooding and the recent rains, the weed growth at the Wetlands has been prolific. The tracks are overgrown and there could be a possible fire hazard.

- Vandalism at the Wetlands – specifically removal of boards from the boardwalk to the bird hide – is disappointing to see.

- Members felt the need for slashing the weed growth and the vandalism should be raised with Council. Some thought we should set up a meeting with the Council to ask can we set up a roster to mow the paths at the wetland ourselves.

### **IGA Community Chest**

Gary is to accept a cheque from the IGA Community Chest for \$1200 on Thursday 2-03-2023. He is going to mention to the organisers that this money will go towards our annual work at the Wetlands – ie be used in the community.

### **Corporate Membership**

Rosemary was pleased to announce that all the paperwork for the Corporate Membership of the Pharmasave Pharmacy was now completed, and we can move towards ordering badges and induction into the Club.

Electronic Payment for meals

A member wondered if we could use electronic payments for meals. Ray recommended we look into Tyro – a more inexpensive system - which could be used at the markets also.

### **KVE coming up**

### **Missing original Presidential Collar**

- The history of the missing Presidential collar was outlined to the members. Past Rotarian Gail has admitted she took the old collar for repair in 2005. She washed it, but the ribbon fell apart and she was left with the original collar bars, which she has subsequently mislaid. Despite the best efforts of the Board via letters and personal approaches, the collar bars remain missing. To replace the bars and frame a revamped collar would cost well in excess of \$1500

- There followed some discussion of the storage of such physical assets, including the original Hon-our Board, which was very badly water-damaged, and all the banners presented by other Clubs.

- On the suggestion of Rtn Howard, it was decided that the Club should move on. We do not need to replace the memorabilia at such significant cost to the Club. The names of the past Presidents are all recorded on the Club website – along with other Club memorabilia - and any member can have access to this facility as they wish.

## **UP COMING EVENTS:**

**Markets** – 5<sup>th</sup> March: Thanks to all the Rotarians who helped and attended the Markets.

**Race Gates** – 11<sup>th</sup> March

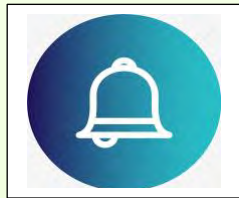
Early – Race Tickets: Rosemary and Robyn Late – Deb and Helen

Race Books: Norm

Horse Gates: Mel and Elanor

Roving Rotarian: Neil - Emergency: Howard

# NOTICES:



## International Toast – Rotary Clubs in Turkey and Syria:

due to the earthquake in February our hearts go out to the Rotary Clubs of Turkey and Syria. The Rotary response was immediate and as usual, on the ground within 24 hours. Shelterbox has also been involved.

## Rotary Information – None

## Anniversaries or birthdays this week – None

Family of Rotary – Rot. Margaret bumped info Lesley Francis and she is doing well.

Youth Exchange – Andrej is back from his adventure and should be moving houses soon.

Lift the Lid walk: The walk in Yarrawonga went well and was successful.

Bill Bott: Club members should try and complete the working with students component online at my rotary training.



## 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  
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.

## 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?

**What did  
one hat say to  
the other?**

You stay here.  
I'll go on ahead.

**Why did the  
invisible man turn  
down the job offer?**

He couldn't see  
himself doing it.

**How did the  
barber win  
the race?**

He knew  
a shortcut.

**What do you  
call a bear with  
no teeth?**

A gummy bear.

**A termite  
walks into the bar  
and asks,**

**“Is the bar  
tender here?”**

**WHY DIDN'T  
THE TEDDY  
BEAR WANT  
DESSERT?**

Because he was stuffed.

The other day, my wife  
asked me to pass her  
lipstick but I accidentally  
passed her a glue stick.

She still isn't talking to me.

FRANZ/DIES - WWW.FUN.ME

I TOLD MY WIFE SHE WAS DRAWING  
HER EYEBROWS TOO HIGH.

SHE LOOKED SURPRISED.

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# Rotary Club of Corowa:

## Website:

<http://corowarotary.jimdo.com>

We are also on FACEBOOK!

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



## Raffle:

Presidents Muscat: - Steve Kent



Cut the Cards: - Graham Brown.



Meeting Date	WED MARCH 15th	WED MARCH 22nd	WED MARCH 29th
Venue	Royal Hotel	Golf Club	Royal Hotel
Program	DGN Steve O'Connell	Fellowship Night	Greg Griffiths
Chairman	Bill B	Ian B	Graeme C
Treasurer	Sally B	Bill B	Ian B
Rotary Grace	Elanor B	Sally B	Bill B
Loyal Toast	Alan W	Elanor B	Sally B
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The Rotary Club of Corowa meets every **WEDNESDAY**  
at **The Royal Hotel: 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start**

President 2022-2023: Rotarian Stephen Apps  
 Secretary: Rotarian Margaret Brown  
 Treasurer: Rotarian Paul Miegel  
 Vice President: Rotarian Deborah Rowe  
 President Elect 2023-24: Rotarian Bill Bott  
**P.O. Box 153 Corowa, NSW, 2646.**  
 Bulletin Editor: Rotarian Bill Pentney



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Please remember to notify **Deb Rowe** if you **CANNOT** attend our weekly meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.  
If you are arranging a guest speaker, please advise Deb of the number of people attending and if they need a screen of projector.

**Deb can be contacted by:**

Phone or text: 0413 122 884 or email: [seeshell84@hotmail.com](mailto:seeshell84@hotmail.com)


**YOU WILL BE INVOICED FOR A MEAL  
IF YOU FAIL TO NOTIFY IF NOT ATTEENDING.**

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**MARCH DESIGNATION IS**

**WATER  
AND SANITATION  
MONTH**

*"Clean water..... is a basic need for human beings. When people, especially children, have access to clean water, they live healthier and more productive lives."*

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TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

