



# Rotary Club of Corowa

"Service before self - He profits most who serves Best"

Celebrating 75 Years of Serving the Community



## Weekly Bulletin

Dean Druce:

Corowa Chocolate & Whiskey Factory



This week's guest speaker was Dean Druce from the Corowa Chocolate & Whiskey Factory. Dean was a last minute speaker, due to our planned speaker being unable to make it.

Dean last spoke to us 3 years ago, when the Chocolate factory was in its infancy. Dean spoke about the progress and plans for the factories future.

Since the Factory opened it has gone from strength to strength. It has expanded from just chocolate sales to the coffee shop, restaurant, chocolate making and hopefully soon whiskey making. It has also seen a major influx of tourists to the area and the factory itself. Upward of nearly 50,000 people visit the factory during the year and this has had a flow on effect to the town and the local economy.

The Factory has just opened a large chocolate room in the old shed next to the chocolate sales and it is now in the process of making Rocky Road chocolates. Dean talked about these chocolates helping to drive the growth and expansion of the business by supplying them to large supermarket chains like Woolworths and Coles. He spoke about expanding the sales of chocolate to other food suppliers.

Dean also spoke about hoping to have the Whiskey making up and running soon. The Whiskey making represents a large investment by the Factory but it is hoped it will be a success and be a major draw card for the area. Dean is trying to attract a top Distiller to work for him. (fingers crossed he can do this) Thanks to Dean for speaking and for supplying us with some Rocky Road to try! (Dean you are welcome back anytime especially with gifts! hahaha)



Dean with Chairman for the night: David Talbot

### 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

### 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?





## Corowa Rotary Club

**Port ~ Muscat ~ Topaque**

**\$60 a pack**

Order form on the Website.

# BALDERDASH NIGHT

**Oddfellows Hall - Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm for 7:00pm start.**

BYO Drinks and Nibbles - Tickets are \$10 per head or \$90 for a table of 10

Bookings can be made at:

**Gail Goodall's Arcade Jewellers,**

50 Sanger St - 02 6033 1415 or [gail@gailgoodalljewellers.com.au](mailto:gail@gailgoodalljewellers.com.au)



### District Governor – 2013-2014:



**Philip Clancy** (Helen)  
Rotary Club of Southern Mitchell

### District Governor Visit:

**7<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013**

### District Website:

<http://www.rotary9790.org.au>

### DG's Newsletter:

<http://www.flipsnack.com/7DFE9AEC5A8/fdcsb3mp>

Reminder to pay your Subs:

**\$ ASAP \$**

See your Invoice for Details



### Rotary Club of Corowa:

**Website:**

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

We are also on FACEBOOK!



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	25/7/13	1/8/13	8/8/13
<b>Program</b>	<b>GOLF CLUB</b>	Cindy Laschet 1994 Inbound Exchange Student	James Willett Champion Shooter
<b>Chairman</b>	Howard Scheetz	Robyn Rhodes	Oliver Raschke
<b>Treasurer</b>	David Talbot	Howard Scheetz	Robyn Rhodes
<b>Rotary Grace</b>	Alan Wilson	David Talbot	Howard Scheetz
<b>Loyal Toast</b>	Stephen Apps	Alan Wilson	David Talbot
<b>International Toast</b>	Ian Brooks	Stephen Apps	Alan Wilson
<b>Rotary Information</b>	Graham Brown	Ian Brooks	Stephen Apps
<b>Sergeants Help</b>	Margaret Brown	Graham Brown	Ian Brooks

**Raffle:**  
**Presidents Muscat:**  
 Rotarian John Law  
**Cut the Cards:**  
 Rotarian Wally Cann



**and on the lighter side: GOLF 😊 Hahahaha!! 😊**

**GOLFER AT THE DENTIST.**

A man and his wife walked into a dentist's office. The man said to the dentist, "Doc, I'm in one heck of a hurry I have two buddies sitting out in my car waiting for us to go play golf, so forget about the anesthetic, I don't have time for the gums to get numb. I just want you to pull the tooth, and be done with it! We have a 10:00 AM tee time at the best golf course in town and it's 9:30 already... I don't have time to wait for the anesthetic to work!"

The dentist thought to himself, "My goodness, this is surely a very brave man asking to have his tooth pulled without using anything to kill the pain."

So the dentist asks him, "Which tooth is it sir?"

The man turned to his wife and said, "Open your mouth, Honey, and show him . . . "

**Tiger Woods & Stevie Wonder are in a bar...**

Tiger turns to Stevie and says, "How's the singing career going?"  
 Stevie replies, "Not too bad. How's the golf?"

😊😊 Hahahaha!! 😊😊

Woods replies, "Not too bad, I've had some problems with my swing, but I think I've got that right, now."

Stevie says, "I always find that when my swing goes wrong, I need to stop playing for a while and not think about it. Then, the next time I play, it seems to be all right."

Incredulous, Tiger says, "You play GOLF?"

Stevie says, "Yes, I've been playing for years."

Tiger says, "But -- you're blind! How can you play golf if you can't see?"

Stevie Wonder replies, "Well, I get my caddy to stand in the middle of the fairway and call to me. I listen for the sound of his voice and play the ball towards him. Then, when I get to where the ball lands, the caddy moves to the green or farther down the fairway and again I play the ball towards his voice."

But, "how do you putt?" asks Tiger.

"Well", says Stevie, "I get my caddy to lean down in front of the hole and call to me with his head on the ground and I just play the ball toward his voice."

Tiger asks, "What's your handicap?"

Stevie says, "Well, actually -- I'm a scratch golfer."

Woods, incredulous, says to Stevie, "We've got to play a round sometime."

Stevie replies, "Well, people don't take me seriously, so I only play for money, and never play for less than \$10,000 a hole. Is that a problem?"

Woods thinks about it and says, "I can afford that; OK, I'm game for that... \$10,000 a hole is fine with me. When would you like to play?"

Stevie Wonder says, "Pick a night."

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



President 2013-2014: Rotarian Ian Carrington  
 Secretary: Rotarian Noreen Miller  
 Treasurer: Rotarian John Law  
 Vice President: Rotarian Stephen Apps  
 President Elect 2013-14: Rotarian Gary Poidevin  
**P.O. Box 153 Corowa, NSW, 2646.**



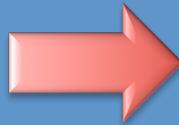
## Rotary Information

There was no Rotary information this week but I have included the information from the DG's Newsletter about the Rotary International Conference in Sydney next year (see below)



BUT for your information... It was brought to our attention during the meeting that one of our gorgeous Honorary Members has a secret admirer... as evident by this piece of graffiti found in Melbourne... I say good luck Pauline and it just goes to show that everyone does love you!!

(Thanks GARY P.)



## **FROM OUR SECRETARY NOREEN:**

We have received a poster from the Corowa Land Care Group in regard to there;

### **Tornado Turnaround.**

Tornado Turnaround is on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July** and is to help revegetate and clear the damage from the Mulwala/Yarrowonga Tornado in March.

The day starts at 9:45 am and a BBQ lunch is provided.

Where:

Corner of Kyffins Road and Spring Drive Mulwala. There are 2 sites:

**Site One:** Suitable for families and kids and will concentrate on Planting trees and shrubs.

**Site Two:** Volunteers who like a physical challenge and will focus on Stockpiling of vegetation and wire/debris removal.

If you can bring gloves, sturdy footwear, trowels, shovels, safety glasses, suitable clothing, pliers, watering cans, sunglasses and buckets it would be good. (Even a chainsaw if you want)

Register your interest at **Mulwala Library or Corowa Shire Civic Centre**  
or via email: [corowalandcare2@bigpond.com](mailto:corowalandcare2@bigpond.com)



## **\*\*Apologies are to be made to our Sergeant At Arms: Gail Law\*\***

Please ring her by **Wednesday Afternoon** on:

B/H: (02) 6033 1415

A/H: (02) 6033 2838

# ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SYDNEY

With the recent Lisbon Convention now concluded we can turn our thoughts to the 2014 RI Convention to be held in Sydney from 1st – 4th June. Bookings are now open but at the time of writing very little of the fine detail was available. There are some time critical issues that you might want to address sooner rather than later however.

- Registration can be done online at the RI website [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) and click on the Sydney 2014 link. The Early Bird registration fee is usually available until December so there is no great rush in that regard.
- What might change this timing is what blockbuster events will the Host Organizing Committee announce. For example if there is a major concert at the Opera House that would quickly fill. Therefore if you see something in the hospitality program that piques your interest, book now.
- The venue is Olympic Park at Homebush but I understand that most social events will occur in Sydney; e.g. the Opera House. Given this you need to consider your accommodation options very carefully.
- The HOC has arranged for free public transport during the convention period and this includes trains, buses and ferries. Trains will run non-stop from Central Station (no changes) and buses will run from the CBD hotels to Homebush. The NSW Government has duplicated much of the Sydney Olympics public transport arrangements allowing for speedy transfers.
- The usual block-booked hotels, arranged by RI, will be announced when the convention details are announced and this is where you will need your skates on. Don't expect cheap rates with 20,000 plus attendees jetting into Sydney. The popular hotels will quickly be booked out.
- Sydney has a huge number of quality apartment properties and these maybe an option for many of us, especially if you are happy to share a 2 BR (2 bathrooms) apartment effectively splitting the costs. I expect to have some sort of a deal with the city's largest apartment provider very soon.
- Finally there is the getting yourselves there bit. If driving check the car parking arrangements wherever you are staying; expect to pay at least \$30 per night. If flying look to book immediately and get a cheap fare locked in. Plan to arrive no later than Saturday and register on-site; check out the House of Friendship and be ready for the likely early start on Sunday for the Opening Plenary Session.

Sydney is well serviced by its train network and in choosing your hotel look for something that is within easy walking distance of a station that can get you to Central quickly and onto that direct train service. That way you have the potential to use either the train or the bus services. That would also be useful in getting you to evening events too.

Whilst I expect the Sydney HOC to be heavily promoting the event I will keep you and Clubs updated both in this Newsletter and on the D9790 website.

P.P. Peter Dunn

D9790 Sydney 2014 onto Conference Chairman

