

# Rotary Club of Corowa

*“Service before self – he profits most who serves best”*



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## Strategic Planning Night

Our facilitator for the night, Chris Gillard, worked well with our group. All of our members were involved and very forthcoming with their thoughts and Chris certainly got a lot of information about our club projects, priorities and member ideas with his questions to us all.

Our comments and ideals were written down and Chris will bring them back to us to plan our future aims around.



It was a long night, much longer than our usual meetings, but I feel sure that a lot of good will come out of these discussions. There were many suggestions on the main topics, being Governance, Membership, Service Projects and Foundation.

There much talk of Budgets, Succession Planning, Friends of Rotary, Federation Festival Weekend, the BnS Ball, Markets and Grants that may be available to the club.

At then end of the evening Present John thanked Chris for his expertise and willingness to assist us in this role.



## Cultural Exchange Weekend.

Once again we went ahead with a Cultural Exchange weekend. This year it was in conjunction with the Corowa High School.

It was an action packed weekend, with 24 ladies from many different cultures, arriving on Thursday night and sent off to their billets for the night.



One of the interesting things was that these ladies were not keen to stay in a home where there was a dog, as in their culture dogs are for security and are usually quite aggressive, and so it is quite understandable that they fear of them.

On Friday morning they went up to the Corowa High School and spoke to the students' from years seven to eleven at different times throughout the day, sharing their stories and traditions to the very interested audience.

Students studying Food Tech in years 9/10 prepared lunch and coffee for our Refugee women.



Towards the end of the afternoon an Ethiopian coffee ceremony was held and presentations were made to the High School in appreciation of the experience that was had by all.

Friday night was just a night at home with the host families to relax and get to know one and other.



Saturday morning was spent looking around Corowa and participating in a little retail therapy before heading down to Bangerang Park for a BBQ where kangaroo sausages were served along with kangaroo steak and other BBQ foods and salads.



Saturday night we headed off to the Memorial Hall in Corowa for a feast of ethnic food that had to be seen to be seen to be believed.



We were entertained a fantastic local band the Squid Doctors. These young guys played music from the 80's, 90's and some of the current songs as well.



One of the benefits was learning to tie a scarf African style.

Sunday morning, after a quick look around the market our visitors headed back home to Sydney in their bus. I received a phone call Sunday evening to let me know that they had arrived home safe and sound.



This was another great initiative from Corowa Rotary Club and following is a quote from our visitors on the success of their visit to Corowa.

**“Our job is done here, planting a seed of multiculturalism and social inclusion. This was tops of all the cultural exchange programs we had had for the past 9 years because it involved sharing our stories to the young minds. Thank you Corowa Rotary Club, Corowa High School, STARTTS, Community Migrant Resource Centre, African Women Group and our hosts within the communities of both NSW and Victoria.”**

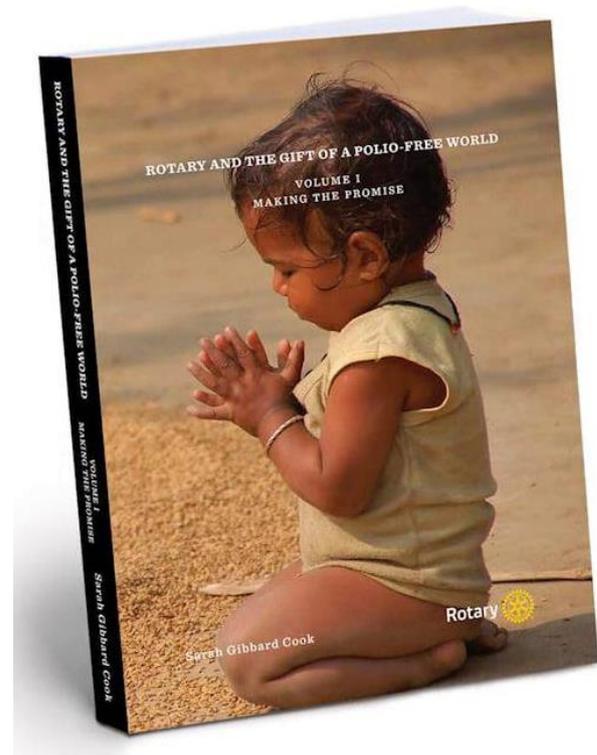


## **Rotary Down Under**

Rotary and the gift of a polio-free world

Making the Promise is the first of a three-volume history of PolioPlus and global polio eradication. Carrying the story into the early 1990s, it explores the roots of what would become the largest internationally coordinated public health effort in history; a gift to the children of the 21st century.

Volume 1: Making the Promise is available from the Rotary Shop for \$15. Order your copy today from [shop.rotary.org](http://shop.rotary.org).



## Rib Ticklers

A young jackaroo from the bush goes off to Queensland University, but halfway through the semester he has squandered all of his allowance and is in debt.

He calls home. 'Dad,' he says, 'you won't believe how modern education is developing... they actually have a program here in Brisbane that will teach our dog Ol' Blue how to talk.'

'That's amazing!' his Dad says. 'How do I get Ol' Blue in that program?'

'Just send him down here with \$5,000,' the young jackaroo says, 'and I'll get him in the course.' So his father sends the dog and \$5,000.

About two-thirds through the semester the money again runs out. The boy calls home.

'So how's Ol' Blue doing, son?' his father wants to know.

'Awesome! Dad, he's talking up a storm... But you just won't believe this. They've had such good results with talking, they've begun to teach the animals how to read' 'Read?' exclaims his father 'No kidding! How do we get Ol' Blue in that program?'

'Just send \$10,000. I'll get him in the class.'

The money promptly arrives. But our hero now has a problem.

At the end of the year, his father will find out the dog can neither talk nor read. So he shoots Ol' Blue.

When he arrives home at the end of the semester, his father is all excited. 'Where's Ol' Blue? I just can't wait to talk with him, and see him read something!'

'Dad,' the boy says, 'I have some bad news.'

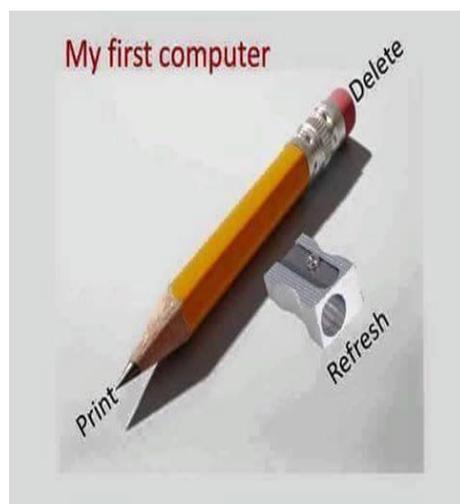
Yesterday morning, just before we left to drive home, Ol' Blue was lying on the couch reading the Financial Times, when suddenly he turned to me and asked, "Is your father still bonking that little redhead barmaid at the pub?'

Dad groans and whispers, 'I hope you shot that dog before he talks to your Mother!'

'I sure did, Dad!'

'That's my boy!' Father replies.

The young jackaroo went on to become a successful lawyer with Slater and Gordon.



## HOW TO CONFUSE A VEGETARIAN...



## MAY IS BOWELSCAN MONTH

Bowel cancer is Australia's #1 internal cancer, killing more than 4,000 men and women every year – but it's very curable if you catch it early. And that's what Rotary's \$15 Bowelscan test kit is designed to do: catch cancer before it catches you.

From 2016, the Bowelscan kit is even more convenient. There are no dietary restrictions whatsoever prior to using it, handling is easier, and you just post it back for free pathology testing. Soon after, you'll be notified of the result.

Recommended for everyone 40 and over, the kits are available from participating pharmacies between May 1 and May 31. Rotary runs Bowelscan in May every year, to help West Australians get into the habit of repeating the test annually

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### Apologies

If you do not put in an apology, you will be charged for the dinner, as the Club is charged for your dinner.

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### Programs

Meeting	May 12	May 19	May 26
Venue	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	Neville Smith Tractor Club	TBA	TBA
Chairman	O Raschke	H Scheetz	D Talbot
Treasurer	R Rhodes	O Raschke	H Scheetz
Rotary Grace	G Poidevin	R Rhodes	O Raschke
Loyal Toast	C Overend	G Poidevin	R Rhodes
International Toast	M O'Flaherty	C Overend	G Poidevin
Rotary Information	N O'Flaherty	M O'Flaherty	C Overend
Sergeants Help	J McLean	N O'Flaherty	M O'Flaherty

**Please Organize your own replacement if you are not available.**

## Rotary Wine Packs.



Fortified wine pack order form

(Within Australia only)

Email orders to [johnrlaw@dodo.com.au](mailto:johnrlaw@dodo.com.au)

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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	Price	Qty	Total
Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
Postage & Handling (Traceable Post Pack)	\$10.00		
<b>Total</b>			

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