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Program & Roster

**Corowa RSL Club
6.30 for 7.00pm**

January 19, 2017

**Federation Festival
Planning Session**

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Graeme C**

**Grace
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Welcome Back to Rotary

A very enjoyable evening as guests at the home of our President Meredith and Paul, It is so nice to have just a relaxed social night with lots of fellowship, fun and laughter to catch up after a busy Christmas and New Year. It was especially pleasing to see the partners of some of our members along with some life members, a couple of prospective members and one beautiful Granddaughter.



It was especially pleasing to have a new Friend of Rotary Inducted early in the evening and we all welcome Oliver Raschke back into the fold.

Oliver was a member for a few years, but the work pressures made things nigh on impossible for him to fulfil his obligations as a Rotarian. Oliver resigned from our club but feels he can assist us from time to time as a "Friend"

It was also good to see our outbound exchange student Will Robertson home from his adventures of a year in Germany.

I guess we all agree that Will certainly looks like a different guy to the Will that left us 12 months ago, he seemed so much more mature. But I suppose no one has noticed that more than his parents Jenni & Peter and his brother Thomas who also attended our dinner meeting.



Will's Final Report

Unfortunately, I did not receive Will's report until after I had sent out the last Bulletin, but better late than never.

Guten Tag,

Much has happened in my past month, and as i am writing this i am looking out to a thin sheet of snow and white outside. Also, my host mum is making Shepherd's Pie right at this moment, I had told her it is a dish we often have in Australian winter, but is a typical English meal.

This past month has been busy, with Christmas, NYE, a couple oldies leaving and preparing to leave myself.

So, December here in Deutschland is very cold and very festive. The difference between a Deutschland Christmas (Weihnachten) and an Aussie Christmas- From the first day of December I saw Christmas decorations everywhere. On the night of the 5th kids would put a clean shoe outside, and on that night St Nikolaus will come and fill the shoe, on the morning of the 6th (St Nikolaus Tage) kids would wake up to a shoe full of sweets and small gifts. Another very Deutsch thing for Christmas is the famous Weihnachtsmarkts (Christmas Markets).

I had visited many cities markets but Muenster was a well-known Market that I was often enjoying. The very typical Deutsche drink for Christmas is Gluehwein, Warm spiced red wine. Not being a fan of red wine i didn't really enjoy it but still had a mug or two to try Deutsch traditions. Another thing is the Christmas cookies here, and is something i will bring home and make next year. Christmas in Deutschland is the span of 3 days, 24th -

26th, and on the evening of the 24th (Christmas eve - Aus) they would hand out the presents under the Christmas tree. On the 25th and 26th I had visited my host-parents othter families for large meals, usually consist of potato, meat and rotkraut (similar to sauerkraut) and a dessert. It is also typically Deutsch (or European) to have advent calendar and candles. They light one candle at the start of each advent week and on the last week all 4 candles are lit. There is a lot that I could talk about for a Deutsche Christmas but a lot of it is something that you need to experience yourself.



New Years Eve (Silvester) was a very crazy and loud night. I spent my night in Dusseldorf (large city 1.5 hr from Ms), with about 30 other exchange students. Much of the night consist of dancing and fireworks going off everywhere. In Deutschland fireworks are legal to buy on the 30-31 and are legal in reserved areas of the city. The city had become a colourful and loud city, unfortunately I had difficulties with phone memory and lost my photos. But in the end, it was a great and sleepless night.

This past month has also been full of good byes and getting ready for home. I have said good bye to two of my Brazilian friends, and one is leaving now as I write this. It is a little tough to say good bye but I also know that they are excited to go home like I am. Getting ready for home is pretty much me going through my things and making 2 piles. to keep and not to keep. I also must go to my old city Telgte on

Thursday for a little farewell with my Deutsche friends

Also, this month my h-family took me too a soccer(fuotball) match. This was cool. We were in the fan club part, behind the goal, in with all of the diehard fans. Unfortunately, we didn't see my favourite team Borussia Dortmund BVB, but we saw Borussia Moenchengladbach. unfortunately, they had lost, 1-2. But when they got a goal everyone went absolutely crazy and it reminded me of footy back home. It was a great night and an experience that i had wanted to try all year.

This Year has been remarkable and amazing, I have made many friends and made myself a new home. Coming home in 5 days it excites me and I know I am ready to leave. I couldn't have asked for a better year and will never forget the memories i have made here.

Vielen Dank
Will

A Quote from Will's Facebook page-

"A person's wealth is not measured by how much money you have in the bank. It is measured by the number of places and people you know (and enjoy). I feel rich."



Save the Date.-

THE FEDERATION DINNER & TIM FISCHER ORATION

Celebrating the birth of Australian Federation.
Friday January 27, 2017
6:30pm arrival for 7:00pm start.
Oddfellows Hall, Sanger St Corowa.

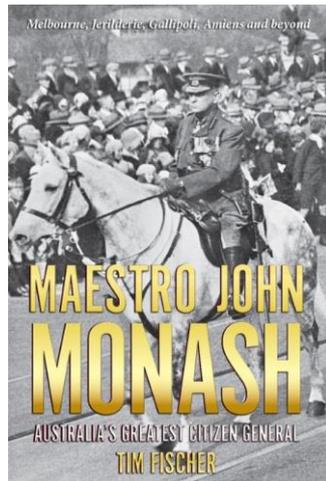
Cost \$70 per person, includes a beer, wine or soft drink for each guest on arrival, followed by a 3 course meal. Each table will have a complimentary bottle of Campbell's red and white wine, along with some beer. Further wine and beer will be available for purchase. Soft drink and water will be supplied free of charge.

Tickets can be purchased at Marshall Batteries, 10 Bow St, Corowa.
EFTPOS, Visa and MasterCard accepted.



GUEST SPEAKER: TIM FISCHER

Enquiries and phone bookings can be made by contacting -
Gary Poidevin 0427 229 783



We will be selling copies of Tim's book "Maestro John Monash" and Tim will be happy to sign them throughout the evening.

'Tim Fischer brings his army and political experience to the General Monash story with a flowing and digestible style.'
— Professor Roland Perry

Who was the most innovative general of World War One? For Tim Fischer, the answer has to be Australia's 'Maestro' John Monash, a man who, for all the recognition he received in his lifetime and after, has arguably not been given his proper due.

Rib Ticklers



In a relationship one person is always right and the other person is a male



Paddy & Mick worked together and were both laid off, so they went to the unemployment office.

When asked his occupation, Paddy answered, "Panty Stitcher. I sew da elastic onto ladies cotton panties and tongs".

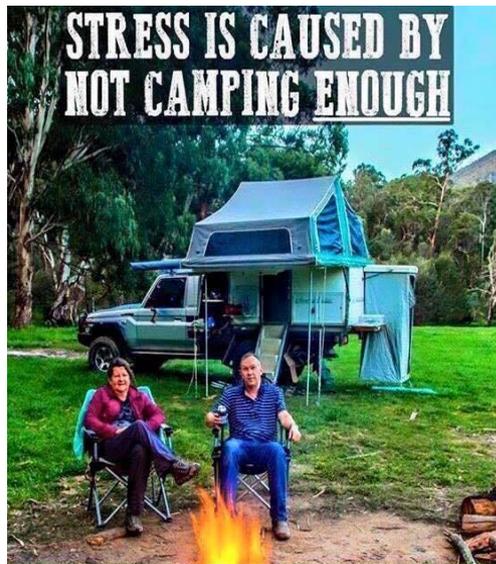
The clerk looked up panty stitcher on his computer and finding it classified as unskilled labour, he gave him \$80.00 a week unemployment pay.

Mick was next in, and when asked his occupation, replied, "Diesel Fitter". Since a diesel fitter was a skilled job, the clerk gave Mick \$160.00 a week.

When Paddy found out, he was furious. He stormed back into the Unemployment Office to find out why his friend and co-worker was collecting double his unemployment pay.

The clerk explained "Panty Stitchers are unskilled labourers, and Diesel Fitters are skilled labourers".

"What skill?" yelled Paddy. "I sew da elastic on da panties and tongs; Mick puts 'em over his head and says: "Yep, diesel fitter".



Gifting the Gift

A guy bought his wife a beautiful diamond ring for Christmas.

A friend of his said,
"I thought she wanted one of those pretty 4-wheel drive vehicles?"

"She did," he replied,
"But where in the world was I going to find ...a fake jeep!"



ROTARY: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Rotary President-elect Ian Riseley has announced his theme for the 2017-2018 year. Rotary: Making A Difference.

Apologies

Please remember to notify the Sergeant at Arms, Ray Terrill if you can't attend our weekly meetings or if you wish to bring any guests.

Ray can be contacted by

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Programs

Meeting Date	January 26	February 2	February 9
Venue	Australia Day	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	No Rotary	Federation Festival De-brief	Will
Chairman	Friday morning	Neil	Gail
Treasurer	Set up for	Wally	Neil
Rotary Grace	Federation Dinner	Graeme C	Wally
Loyal Toast	and	Don	Graeme C
International Toast	Friday Afternoon	Margaret	Don
Rotary Information	Set up for	Graham B	Margaret
Sergeants Help	Market	Ian	Graham B

Please arrange your own replacement if you are unable to fulfill your roster duty.

Wine Packs



Fortified wine pack order form
(within Australia only)

Email orders to admin@corowarotary.org.au

Name: _____

Delivery Address: _____

City Town: _____

State: _____ **Post Code:** _____

Contact Number: _____

Special Delivery Instructions: _____

	Price	Qty.	Total
Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
Postage & Handling (Traceable Post Pack)	\$10.00		
Total			

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Cheques made payable to Rotary Club of Corowa
Credit Card Payments, please complete this authority
Card Type – (circle) VISA, MASTERCARD

Card number _____ **Exp.** _____ / _____

Card Holder Name _____

Card Holders Signature _____

DECLARATION: This wine has not been purchased for resale by a licensed person or their representative. I am over 18 years of age.

Signed: _____

For further enquiries email: admin@corowarotary.org.au ;
Or phone Gail: 0412 442 838