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Corowa RSL Club
6.30 for 7.00pm

February 23, 2017

Fellowship Evening
**At Stanton &
Killeen**

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Annie Piggin – Friends of Sanger Street Inc

Local identity Annie Piggin has been passionately involved in trying to *‘make our place a more inviting place to be’*. Born and raised in Corowa, it concerned Annie to see a town with empty shops and lacking vitality. She felt concerned citizens could make a difference, and that not everything had to be left for the Council to initiate.



‘Our Place’ Mural, Corowa

‘Three years in the making, a colourful mural has been installed on the Woolworths Sanger Street wall in Corowa.’ (Annie Piggin)

The Friends of Sanger Street Inc was set up in October 2013. A letter had been written to the Free Press asking for interested people to meet at the Hub. About 40 interested people turned up, ready to be involved and start a group who could work towards bettering their community.

After some discussion, the group came up with a short list of 9 areas which were of concern. These included the empty shops, the blank wall on Woolworths, public toilets, community meeting places, community notice boards, parking for articulated vehicles and signage to indicate where these are located. One of the first achievements was the installation of interesting signage about local golf courses on the blank Garden of Roses shop windows.

The idea for a mural on the blank wall of Woolworths was to depict the Murray River as it flows through the Federation Shire.

There were many necessary steps taken along the path to achieving the mural. Permission from Woolworths and Council, presentation of the design, application for a grant from the Country Artist Support program, and lengthy negotiations between the solicitors for the owner of the building, Woolworths and the Council were all undertaken to achieve the final goal. Cleaning of cobwebs and footpaths and sausage sizzles to raise money were all part of the process.



The creation of the design was achieved through the work of local artists Chris Upton, Pam Fredericks and Briony Willett. Indigenous artist Eddie Harris (now living in Wilcannia) was involved in creating the straight boards with the children from 4 local schools. It was decided to depict only native flora and fauna (no people) in the design.



Advertisements for interested artists were placed and by March 2015 artist workshops were being held, and the paintings were created with the use of special weatherproof paint. The creation of the paintings involved 25 artists, 10 High School students and 59 primary school students.

On 25th August 2016 Focus Engineering mounted the artistic representation of the river - which was cut from oxidising steel - and the mounting of the paintings took place on 16th November 2016. The group who came to help mount the paintings was assisted by Rob Davis, Lyn Fredericks and Fred D'Agostin, but firstly the wall was cleaned by the Fire Brigade the day before!!

The opening of the 'Our Place' Mural finally took place on 2nd December 2016. **(Image credits: Annie Piggin)**

The Corowa Expo 2017

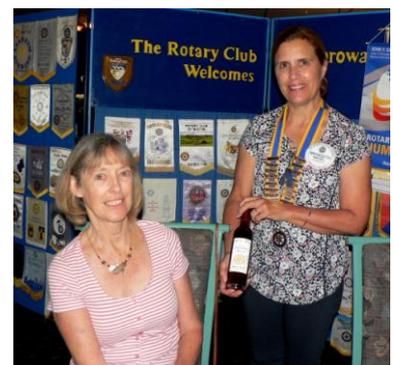
The Corowa Expo took place 18th to 25th January 2017. The original idea was to have various displays of 'our place' in the Odd Fellows Hall, but it was soon seen that much more space and more locations were required to showcase the many organisations involved in the Expo. There were displays by many groups in the Community including craft groups, churches, U3A, and the museum was open all week.

Community activities were organised, and people could play croquet, have brekkie with the birds, go frog detecting or listen to poetry. A concert involving three presenters - 'The Sanger Street Band, the 'Squid Doctors' (a group from Year 12) and 'Wine Women and Song' (organised by Carm Hogan of the Corowa Theatre Company) – was enjoyed..

Although numbers visiting the displays were a little disappointing, some groups gained new members.

Annie felt that the Friends of Sanger Street will probably join with an Events Committee being set up under the Business Chamber. This would still enable interested folk to be involved in community aspects. The Friends of Snager Street group had been greatly influenced by motivational speaker Jim Diers who plants ideas for communities. His idea is to **'start where the people are'**.

President Meredith thanked Annie for her interesting presentation and gave her a bottle of the President's muscat.



Congratulations

Our very quiet David is recently back from a trip to the Philippines. What he didn't mention is that he went to see his new little second grandchild – son of daughter Katie and her husband. The baby's name is Albert – 'Bertie' – and mother and baby are doing well. David's other little grandson is Fletcher – now 12 months old.

Congratulations Di and David



Reports and Announcements

Board Meeting - the minutes of last Tuesday evening's Board Meeting will be out soon. Arising from the Board's discussions are:

1. **Exchange hosts** – We need to know possible hosts for a 2018-2019 inbound if we are to advertise **NOW** for expressions of interest for a 2018 outbound. We also need to **confirm the hosts** for our 2017-2018 inbound (coming in exchange for Sarah who has just departed for France). Three members had previously indicated willingness to host.
2. **Member profiles** – could all members please check the accuracy of their profile on the website or on Meredith's hand out.
3. **National Boys Choir visit** – will take place on 25th September. There will be 42 choristers who will require billeting and 6 or 7 adults who will be in motel accommodation. **Neil moved** we should participate and members present confirmed the motion.
4. **The Rotary Shed** – Discussions have been taking place regarding extensions to the Rotary shed which would enable both the catering trailer and the cool room to be stored and easily accessed. Ideally both should be able to be towed straight out of the shed without man-handling them into towing position. While quotes are being sought, discussions with Peter Tait and Sandra Dunn are re the long term use of the shed and legal matters will be taking place.
5. **The Debate** – Corowa High School has reached the final round of the Ian Murphy Memorial Debating Competition, with the other finalist being Tallangatta Secondary College. After the initial timing of the debate (Friday afternoon at Conference) was altered, the final is now being held on Sunday 19th March at the Rotary Conference in Shepparton. Although our Club is very busy catering for the KVE on Saturday 18th, hopefully some members will be free to travel to Shepparton on the Sunday to support our students. It is a wonderful effort to reach the finals, and we wish the team every success in the finals.

Ride to Conference

Neil, Ray, Margaret and Graham are all very appreciative of the Club members' monetary support of the ride.

Should any member wish to donate directly to ARH, the details are:

BSB 112 879

ACCOUNT 065 433 595

NAME Australian Rotary Health

PLEASE TAG YOUR DONATION with 'D9790 RTC' and your 'NAME' There are two reasons for this:

1. Jenny Towe of ARH will receipt your donation – and all donations over \$2 are tax deductible. She needs to know where the donation has come from.
2. RTC would like to claim your donation as part of their funds raised, so need the tag for Jenny to allocate to our total.

Could you please tell Margaret of your donation or write on the sheet circulated at the dinner meeting. Margaret will then contact Jenny Towe to follow up the receipts.

Rotary Information

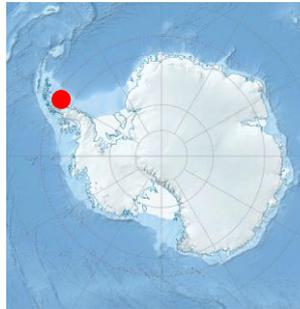
Several members of our Club attended the fund raising movie night organised by the Rotary Club of Albury North on Wed 15th February. Although arranged with only one week's notice, there were about 90 people in the theatre. They all enjoyed the movie 'Hidden Figures', which was an amazing story based on the lives of three Afro-American women who struggled to have their credentials and abilities recognised while working in the all white male dominated space program at NASA.

Given that \$14 of our tickets was to be donated towards Polio Plus, and each dollar raised matched 2:1 by the Bill Gates Foundation, the evening raised well over \$3500. Latest data on reported polio cases in the world as at 22/11/16 was Afghanistan – 12, Pakistan – 16 and Nigeria – 4.

It is interesting to note that Rotary Foundation has been announced as the world's Outstanding Foundation of 2016 (*ref Rotary Down Under Feb 2017 p7*).

International Toast

Graeme C proposed a toast to the Rotary Club Marambio Base in Antarctica. The Club was founded in 1997 by the then President of RI, Luis Vicente Giay.



The Club currently consists of members of the permanent contingent of the Marambio base in Antarctica of the Argentine Air Force. They live all year under the harsh climate prevailing in

the area to provide support for various missions and international scientific collaboration with other Argentine Antarctic bases and also for bases of other countries. It is a Spanish speaking Club of 9 members which meets Wednesday evenings.



Attendance

Our visitors this evening were guest speaker Annie Piggan, Honorary members Janet & Robert Dickins and Bill Bott and Neil's guest Eric Sadlowski.

With 15 members present, 4 apologies with 2 make-ups, we had an attendance of 85.71%.



As we can see, Gary is really looking forward to his forthcoming holiday overseas with Chris. After all his busy work for the Federation Festival, we hope he has a relaxing trip and fabulous time,



Winners are Grinners

Paul Mowlam won the muscat with number 14. **Meredith's** number was the second ball out of the barrel ... but, ALAS, she could only find the **Queen of Clubs**.



Fellowship Night at Stanton and Killeen

Next week's meeting will be at Stanton & Killeen – ref the poster.

Remember this night is a **Partners Night**.

We will have the pleasure of the company of 12 -14 visitors on this evening.



You are invited by the

Rotary
Club of Corowa



Fellowship Evening

Date: *Thursday 23rd February*
6.30 for 7.00 pm

Venue: *Stanton and Killeen Winery*
Murray Valley Highway, Rutherglen



The HOME of our PRESIDENT's MUSCAT

Our Host: *Wendy Killeen*

Catering: *Ricky D*

This is a recognition evening for:

- Our speakers
- Bursary students
- Exchange students and their parents
- Friends of Rotary (F.O.R.)
- Honorary members



Enjoy a relaxing evening among your appreciative Rotary friends as we sample a few wines with good food and learn from our host Wendy Killeen about wine production. Maybe also we could take a distant peek at our President's Muscat barrel, tucked in with the other casks.

Cost: *Members, F.O.R. & Honorary members the usual \$25 dinner fee please.*
Our speakers, bursary students, exchange students and their parents - free.

RSVP: *Graham Brown (02 6032 7345 / grmbrown@hotmail.com) by 16th February 2017*

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 phone or text on **0409 329 736**

leave message at **0260 329 736** or email raymondo1951@bigpond.com

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

Meeting Date	March 2	March 9	March 16
Venue	Corowa RSL	BBQ at the home of Don & Wendy Burrowes	Corowa RSL
Program	Citizen of the Year Lynn Fredericks	Social BBQ Partners / Honorary / FOR	Guy Street Store
Chairman	Paul Mowlam		Norman
Treasurer	Paul Miegel	Paul Mowlam	John
Rotary Grace	John	Salad A - L Dessert M - W	Paul Mowlam
Loyal Toast	Gail		Paul Miegel
International Toast	Neil		John
Rotary Information	Wally		Gail
Sergeants Help	Graeme C		Neil

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: _____

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Or phone Gail: 0412 442 838