

The Five O'Clock Wave



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“Younger Australians Helping Others Out”

**Meetings:
Tuesday 6.15
Wagga R.S.L Club**

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Quote of the Week

“There was no respect for youth when I was young, and now that I am old, there is no respect for age - I missed it coming and going.”

~J.B. Priestly.

February

Last Week.

Being the 5th Tuesday of the month it seemed like a good excuse for a social night and The Steakhouse in Fitzmaurice St was chosen for the venue. With around 10 people in attendance the night was a great success.



Lakeside Markets

Saturday the 28th was a fantastic day for the Markets with great weather and a brilliant view of Lake Albert. Once again the lamb burgers sold well but again there wasn't a huge crowd. The competition with the Lyons club was fierce but I think we may have just won in the end.

Joke of the week

Two guys are in a pub...
The first guy says,
"Did you know lions have sex 6 times a night?"

"Bugger," says his mate, "I just joined Rotary!"



Who am I (Let's see how well we know the other club members)

Years in rotary?

4

Occupation?

Official title - Legal Officer Grade 1-111 or Lawyer or Solicitor

Do you have any children or Pets?

One budgie called "Sarah" she is very active and can sing the ABC news theme. She has visited two members as a live in boarder with feathers flying.

If you were a piece of Stationary what would you be and why?

Post it note. Bright and cheery and only small

What was the first CD/TAPE/Record/MP3 album you purchased?

Can't remember first one bought but can remember first record i ever owned. I am old enough for it to have been a record given to me by my mum - Abbas arrival album.

Where were you born?

Katoomba ANZAC Memorial Hospital.

Why did you join Rotary?

Wanted to do something for the community and meet new people from all walks of life.

What is your Favourite type of food?

Can't beat a roast dinner with gravy

What was your most embarrassing moment?

Do you think I would repeat it here. Too many to recall

Name one thing other club members don't know about you!

My first ever job was working as a Christmas Casual at Kmart.

What do you collect? (coasters, stamps etc)

Sew on patches of places visited to put on my old sleeping bag

What is your Favourite holiday destination?

Any holiday destination is great in my books.

Can't wait to go to New York next year has been a long held dream.

What was your weirdest day at work?

When I worked at the Court House and a bloke came in and wanted to know if we knew about the latest united nations treaty as he was a UN Weapons inspector (based in Young!) and we



asked him for his credentials and he flashed us his passport and would accept us saying it was not his authorisation. We hear that he was taken to the Psych ward a couple of days later when he was trying to make believe shoot down planes in the middle of the night.

That's right! It's President Catherine Conroy

Facebook Update

For those of you who are into facebook check this out

<http://www.facebook.com/RotaryAroundAustralia?sk=wall>

Where's Murray

Murray is our globetrotting mascot and over Christmas break he went on an



exciting excursion with Julieanne Horsman to Thailand.

Where he had a run in with the local police.



Wiggled his porcelain toes in the sand at Phuket beach, and lazed by the pool at the Patong Merlin Hotel

Don't Forget

28 FEBRUARY 2011 – INTERCLUB VISIT TO LOCKHART ROTARY CLUB - Meal cost is \$20.00. We will be leaving Wagga Wagga by 5:50pm. They have lined up a great guest speaker, Owen Finegan – CEO of Snowy Hydro rescue service. Former Australian rugby player. Hope to arrange mini bus or car pool transport. More details shortly but mark it into your diary NOW

Dates to Remember

February 7th

Malcolm Dunnet - RAWCS Solomon Islands

February 14th

Business & Director's Meeting (Don't forget Valentine's day)

February 19th

Peace Awards

February 22nd

Meeting Night moved to Group 5 Movie night

February 25th

BBQ Lakeside Market Apex Park

February 28th

Visit to Lockhart Rotary club

March 2nd

Twilight Lagoon BBQ

March 4th

Bunnings BBQ

March 27th

Fred Loneragan, Mountains of the moon

23-25th March 2012

Rotary 9700 Conference Young

Rob Byrne - Ride to End Polio - Our Guest Speaker 24 Jan

www.goulburnpost.com.au/news/local/news/general/robs-cycle-of-life-against-polio/2419142.aspx's

cycle of life against polio BY MADELINE HAYMAN

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THANKS to the continuous generosity and dedication of Rotary International, polio cases all over the world have plummeted by more than 99 per cent over the last 25 years.

Early in 2011, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation contributed \$355 million in an effort to eliminate the remaining rates of polio, and have challenged Rotarians all over the world to raise another \$200m.

One dedicated Rotarian, Rob Byrne from Grafton has spent the last six months of his life cycling across eastern Australia visiting Rotary Clubs and raising awareness of polio.

When Mr Byrne arrived in Goulburn on Wednesday to visit the Rotary Club of Goulburn, he had cycled in excess of 4000 kilometres and visited 75 Rotary Clubs.

"A lot of the clubs are doing some really good fundraising for it," Mr Byrne said, adding that all together he has collected well over \$50,000 for the cause.

Starting from Grafton in northern NSW, Mr Byrne then cycled to Cairns in Far North Queensland. He is currently in the second leg of his journey which will take him from Grafton to Melbourne, Victoria.

"The reason why I'm doing this is because we're really close to getting rid of the disease worldwide. The key thing making the difference is funding," Mr Byrne said.

"I remember polio because I grew up around it. When I was at school almost every classroom had someone with polio and if we don't win the fight it will come back."

Working closely with such organisations as the World Health Organisation, Mr Byrne said that it was an achievable goal to eliminate polio worldwide by mid 2013.

"This is by far the biggest public health program ever undertaken," he said, adding that it was also Rotary International's biggest project, with \$1 billion being donated by Rotary over the last 25 years.

Mr Byrne described the ride so far as being "an absolute joy" and said that the support he had received to be spectacular.

To make a donation to the End Polio Now campaign visit www.rotary.org and click the 'End Polio Now' button at the bottom of the page