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**Organiser of the Rotary Spring Cycle Ride of Canberra.  
 Held annually in September.**



# THE RAVEN

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WODEN

**Meetings: 6.00 for 6.15 pm Wednesdays, Federal Golf Club, Gowrie Drive, Red Hill**

## Fit and Forty!

Yesterday, 40 years ago, our Club came into existence with the signing of our Charter. Much water has flowed under the bridge since, as a glance through the pages of our weekly bulletins, *The Raven* confirms.

Copies of all these bulletins can be found in the National Library of Australia. Annual Reports and occasional publications have been bound into the *Ravens* for each year.

This year, to mark this 40th anniversary, our Club History Committee, comprising PP Keith Avent, Ken Goard, and PP Des Pain, has produced an excellent occasional publication which they have called "Fit and Forty!". This supplements three previous ones produced for the 20th, 25th and 35th anniversaries. It concentrates particularly on the past

5 years during which the Club has had to adjust to many changes internationally, nationally and locally. To defy or ignore the changing operating environment of Rotary will inevitably lead to the demise of any club.

Copies have been distributed to all members. We feel sure you will enjoy browsing through the pages of this publication and that your support for and faith in Rotary will be further strengthened.

We warmly thank the committee for a task very well done.

And now to the next ten years. Much needs to be done by our Club if we are to continue to contribute to the ideals of Rotary service locally, nationally & internationally.



## The back page

This bulletin's name reflects the ancient Scandinavian God Woden or Odin – the supreme God and Alfadur (All-Father). He drew wisdom from the well of the Giant Mimir. He had two ravens called Hugin and Munin (Thought and Memory) who flew forth every day and returned at night to tell him what they had seen, so contributing to his wisdom.

The land bought in 1837 by classical scholar Dr James Murray was named 'Woden'. From 1962 onwards Woden Town was built on that land.



## Attendance last week

**Club Guest & Speaker:** Nil  
**Visiting Rotarian:** Jim Moriarty, Rotary Club of Tamworth  
**Members present:** 21  
**Makeups:** 1  
**Percentage:** 67.74193548%

## APOLOGIES

**BY 3 PM TUESDAY**  
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## DINNER ROSTER

	THIS WEEK - 30 May	NEXT WEEK – 3 June
<b>Program</b>	40th birthday celebration	Mark Blume Charter of Bill of Rights
<b>Introduction</b>	President Shukry	Peter Evans
<b>Appreciation</b>	TBA	Ian Excell
<b>Fellowship</b>	Des Henderson-Kelly Bob Harvie	Gary Scott Jeff Ibbotson
<b>Raven Recorder</b>	Ros Osbourne	Ken Goard
<b>Birthdays</b>	Gary Scott 29/5	Lyn Svanosio 6/6
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Lukas & Natalie Strohmayer 25/5	Nil

## Dates for your diary

**3 to 10 June – Club fund-raising at Libraries**  
 (see inside for details)

- Sunday 14 June – District Changeover**
- Saturday 19 September – Greenhills W. Bee**
- Sunday 27 Sept. – Rotary Spring Cycle Ride**
- 23-25 October – District Conference in Cooma**
- Saturday 21 November – Greenhills W. Bee**
- 26-28 February – Royal Canberra Show**

## TONIGHT

**SATURDAY, 6.30 for 7pm**  
**40th anniversary of the founding of the club**  
**Welcome to our many friends, supporters, and past members.**

**May is Planning Month**

## Raising Club funds at libraries – can you volunteer?

Last week Ros Osbourne reported on the Club's initial involvement in this significant fund raising initiative to top up Club funds. Ros, Norma Donaldson, Jill Cromer, Pixie Gray, Alec Philip (twice) and John Gray (twice) had "earned" approximately \$ 630 in two half day sessions at the Erindale Library. Basically the ACT Library Service is upgrading the labelling of its books with micro-chips over the next few weeks and wants community groups such as Rotary clubs to assist them. Community groups are paid an hourly rate.

The activity is simple and easy to pick up. All the work is conducted inside in a warm environment. Volunteers work in half-day sessions either during the week or at weekends.

**Volunteers are now being sought for the Tuggeranong Library from Wednesday 3 June to Wednesday 10 June. Weekdays can be anytime between 8.30am and 5.30pm (except for Monday, which can be to 7pm). Weekends are between 9am and 4pm Saturday, and 10am and 5pm Sunday.**

All members are urged to consider involvement. While some of our members are working that week at Kintore you could be contributing to the large amount of funds needed for this project.

**IF YOU CAN HELP, PLEASE ADVISE ROS OSBOURNE URGENTLY (within the next 24 hours) AND ADVISE FOR WHICH PERIODS YOU ARE AVAILABLE. NORMALLY ONE WORKS A FOUR-HOUR SHIFT .**

## News from last week's assembly

**Sick Bay:** Eric Taylor is unwell and Judy Skelton is slowly recovering. The Club wishes both members a speedy return to good health.

**Rotary Western Desert Project, Kintore:** David Fox reported that he had briefed Canberra Burley Griffin Club on the Kintore project and that the Wagga Wagga Rotary Club had indicated their interest in sending some members to one of the planned working parties (possibly the June/July visits). Shukry Sahhar reported that two young architects were also interested in joining in with the 8/10 people going up in June/July. He also noted that the Club needed a Leader for that working party. Shukry brought the Club up to date on the electrical, air conditioning, windows, fencing and shed details. All aspects are progressing well.

**Proposed Art Auction:** Ros Osbourne reported that she was carefully managing, with Lukas Strohmayer, the proposed art auction in Vienna, Austria. The idea is to facilitate art from the Western Desert region to be sent to Vienna for an auction, all proceeds are to go back to the original artists. There is to be no cost to the Club and all activities are to be handled by the legal authorities associated with the artists. All works will be fully insured.

**Future Parking Activities:** Gary Scott reported that parking activities in 2007/08 + 2008/2009 years had raised a total of \$47, 620 of which the Club had earned \$24,016 after allocations to other Clubs and general expenses associated with the parking. Of the Club's share some \$10,891 came from Show parking and \$21,925 (to date) from Thoroughbred

## Our thanks to Ros Osbourne who is organising tonight's dinner and to Judy Skelton and Christine Bell for the table decorations

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Gary Scott

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Robin Cromer

Park activities etc. Members strongly supported this activity as the Clubs major fund raising activity and authorized Gary Scott to negotiate another three year contract with the Show Society, hopefully at a higher rate of return to the Club. Shukry Sahhar reported that the ACT Scouts are keen to assist with the Show Parking in 2010.

**Rotary Spring Cycle Ride:** John Widdup called for a volunteer to liaise with the Gungahlin Club who are in charge of publicity – Gary Scott offered to fill the position. It was agreed that the cycle ride should now be called the "Rotary Spring Cycle Ride"

**Police clearances:** Bernadette Cappello again stressed the need to get the paper-work in for member's police checks. Partners of Rotarians should also get a police check, particularly if they are considering home hosting Rotary Adventure in Citizenship delegates.



**Copper Bowls:** Des Pain outlined the history of the "Copper Bowls" that were originally used to collect 1 and 2 Cent coins (no longer in circulation). Two bowls were lost in the 1980s and last week Des very generously gifted a new bowl. In the early days the money was used to support Rotary Foundation.



**Fashion Parade:** Ros Osbourne, with the help of several well dressed Club members, modeled the latest Rotary jackets & handed around an order list for interested members. Most jackets were around \$50 each. Let's advertise ourselves in the community!