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**Previous Issues of the Raven:**

<http://www.rotarnet.com.au/woden>

**Organiser of the Rotary Spring Cycle - Held annually in September**

**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. Land in what we now know as Canberra, purchased in 1837 by classical scholar Dr James Murray was named 'Woden'. From 1962 onwards Woden Town was built on that land.

**Last week's attendance**

**Guest speaker:** Alan Hall  
**Club Guests:** Marion Bateup  
**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil  
**Visitors:** John Robson & Marcus Donnelly  
**Members:** 16 **Makeups:** 4 **Countable:** 20  
**Percent:** 64.52 %

**APOLOGIES**

**BY 3 PM TUESDAY**

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**DINNER ROSTER**

**This week - 17 June**

**Next week - 24 June**

Program	John Gray - Reviewing Shanghai - Old and new	Cub Changeover
Introduction	Des Henderson-Kelly	Ian Excell
Appreciation	Christine Bell	Des Henderson-Kelly
Fellowship	Des Pain Alec philip	Eric Taylor Judy Skelton
Raven Recorder	Bernadette Capello	Jeff Ibbotson
Birthdays		
Anniversaries	John & Pixie Gray 13/6	



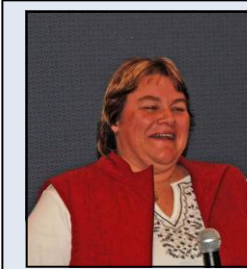
# THE RAVEN

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF WODEN

**Woden Rotary Club meets at the Federal Golf Club,  
 Gowrie Drive, Red Hill - 6.00 for 6.15 pm each Wednesday.**

**Indigenous health scholar**

Marion Bateup spoke about her training and future plans. She is now in the 3<sup>rd</sup> year of her nurses training course at the University of Canberra, and is also undertaking a counselling course. During her course, she had the opportunity to spend time at Winnunga Aboriginal Health Centre, as a clinical placement. Other placements have included time at Canberra Hospital, as well as other clinical settings.



**Marion Bateup**

After she completes her training and graduates at the end of this year, she will work at

Queanbeyan Hospital to complete her Graduate Program. Where she works after completion of the year at Queanbeyan Hospital will depend on the health of her husband. She would like to spend time working out west in an aboriginal health centre.

**Important notice** Lyn Svanosio is now the contact person for dinner bookings and apologies. Please DO NOT try to contact Norma as she will be away.

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**Dates for your diary**

**Saturday 19 Sept:** Greenhills Working bee  
**Sunday 27 Sept:** Rotary Spring Cycle  
**October 23-25:** District Conference, Cooma  
**Saturday 21 November:** Greenhills Work Bee  
**February 26-28 2010:** Royal Canberra Show

**Tonight**

**John Gray**  
**Reviewing Shanghai**  
**Old and new**

**June is Fellowship Month**

## Bill of Rights

Guest speaker Alan Hall was introduced by Ken Goard. His subject, like the speaker of last week was about the proposed Bill of Rights. At the present time, Australia does not have a Bill of Rights, but depends on common Law as interpreted by the courts. This is unlike most other countries, as for instance the USA, which has included citizen's rights in the constitution.

The present government wishes to introduce a Bill of Rights, and have created a committee, under the chairmanship of Frank Brennan, to consider options. Any proposal is subject to limitations that there should be no referendum to change the constitution, and the supremacy of parliament must be preserved.

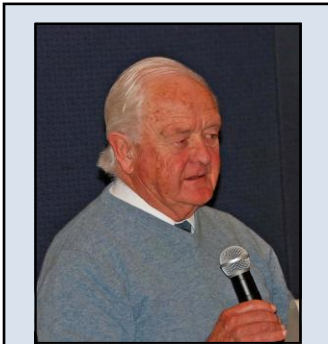
These limitations avoid both a failure to have the changes to the constitution passed at a referen-

dum, and allow parliament, if it so desires, to over-ride the Bill of Rights by legislation. The latter would not be possible if the Rights were embedded in the constitution, when they would have to be interpreted by the courts.

Whilst there is an opinion that citizens rights are preserved by the courts, reasons for the Bill of Rights include the increasing presidential style of rule by our Prime Ministers. In addition, many bills pass through parliament so rapidly, that full consideration is impossible. Also on occasions parliament has deliberately trampled on citizen's

rights, as occurred with recent laws applying to aboriginal welfare in the Northern Territory and the anti terrorism laws. Both the ACT and Victoria have enacted Bills of Rights.

After questions, Jeff Ibbotson gave the vote of thanks.



Alan Hall

Note change in Club web address <http://www.rotarnet.com.au/woden>

**Eric Taylor:** Secretary Keith Avent gave a report on Eric Taylor. Unfortunately Eric has had a recurrence of his cancer and his health has deteriorated over the past week. He has been admitted to Canberra Hospital. At the present time we have been asked to not visit Eric.

## Club news

**Kintore:** President Elect Ros Osbourne had flown to Alice Springs to investigate sending indigenous art work to Austria. While there she helped Helen Sahhar to purchase 5 trolley loads of supplies for the working parties now at Kintore. At this time Cliffe Hicks is also at Kintore with an assistant for a period of 3 weeks to install new electrical fittings and wiring.

**Rotary clothing:** The first order for clothing will be sent after the next meeting and another one will be sent in 6 weeks.

**Library Tagging:** This project has so far earned the club over \$2000.

**Raven Reporter:** Piers Booth  
**Photographs:** Robin Cromer

**Group Study Exchange:** The Board would like input from members to decide if the club should be involved in GSE. Do we wish to nominate leaders or members for the two teams? Do we wish to help host one or both teams from Arizona and Shanghai?

**District Changeover:** Will be this coming Sunday, bookings can be made through the District Website.

**District Conference:** Will be at Cooma, 23-25 October.



**Left:** Rex & Dylis Hunt, Helen Harvie & Jill Cromer  
**Right:** Marj Ashley & Don Whitbread



Seen at our 40th Birthday party



**Left:** Louise Ibbotson and Bert Thomson  
**Right:** Helen & Shukry Sahhar, Pat & Noel Cleland & Maureen Booth

