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**The back page - Don't mess with the children - Episode 5**

The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a Catholic elementary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples. The nun posted a note on the apple tray:

'Take only ONE. God is watching.'

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note:

'Take all you want. God is watching the apples'.

**Last week's attendance**

**Guest speaker:** Club Assembly  
**Club guests:** Wolfgang-Lukas Strohmayer  
 (from the Austrian Embassy)  
**Other guests:** Nil  
**Make-ups:** Three  
**Members present:** 21 **Countable:** 19  
**Percentage:** 75.86%

**APOLOGIES**

**BY 3 PM TUESDAY**

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**DINNER ROSTER**

**This week - 16 July**

**Next week - 23 July**

Program	This week - 16 July	Next week - 23 July
	Dr Jannette Lindesay	Member talks
	Climate change - past, present & future	
<b>Introduction</b>	Val Bland	Peter Evans
<b>Appreciation</b>	Peter Evans	Norma Donaldson
<b>Fellowship</b>	Des Henderson-Kelly	Gary Scott
	Eric Taylor	Jeff Ibbotson
<b>Raven Recorder</b>	Norma Donaldson	Ken Goard
<b>Birthdays</b>	Peter Evans 14/7, Margaret Ellis 15/7	Norma Donaldson, Dorothy Macklin 22/7
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Eric & Rosemary Taylor 18/7	& John Widdup 26/7

**Media release: NT Dept. of Natural Resources, Environment & Arts**

**"Alice Springs Desert Park Creates Bush Tucker and Medicine Garden"**

A specialised garden created by the Alice Springs Desert Park (ASDP) that will provide bush tucker and bush medicine to chronic renal patients was officially launched today. ASDP Nursery Manager Tim Collins said they were extremely proud to be involved with the project as it supports and promotes Indigenous health and culture as well as the use of Central Australian plants.



"The garden was created for the *Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku* (WDNWPT), a local charity that supports renal patients from remote communities who have had to relocate to Alice Springs for lifelong dialysis treat-

ment," Mr Collins said. "The ASDP developed a plan to create a bush food and bush medicine garden so that resources are more readily available for the patients and visitors to use, as well as having a beautiful garden to improve the aesthetics of the house.

Manager of WDNWPT Sarah Brown said the organisation was extremely grateful to everyone involved in creating the garden and they were overwhelmed by how magnificent it looks. "When we first walked out into the garden it felt like 'Backyard Blitz' Desert Park style; the transformation was truly amazing and brought tears to our eyes," Ms Brown said.

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**Tonight**

**Dr Jannette Lindesay**

Associate Professor at the Fenner School, ANU, will speak on *Climate Change*, past, present and future.

**This will be a Partners night!**

**The picture in the garden above includes (left to right):**

Tim Collins (ASDP), Marina Alice (WDNWPT Carer), Norah Nelson (WDNWPT Patient) and Gary Dinham (ASDP).

**July is Planning Month**

## Bush Tucker and Medicine Garden (continued)

“It means a lot to WDNWPT to have received such tremendous support towards the project and that the garden will help our patients and their families.

“WDNWPT, whose name means ‘keeping all our families well’, was formed from the Western Desert Dialysis Appeal, which raised over \$1 million dollars in 2000 when Indigenous painters from the Western Desert painted pictures and auctioned them off at the Art Gallery of NSW.

“The aim of the Appeal was to support patients in town and set up dialysis out bush, with the money raised used to help WDNWPT buy a house in Alice Springs, which now has two dialysis machines and acts as a meeting place for patients and their families.” Ms Brown also thanked the Australian Government youth initiative Green Corps, Alice Springs Town Council and pharmaceutical company Amgen for their contributions towards the project.

By Karlie Goetze, 25 June 2008

## Rotary Western Desert Project - from David Fox

- The works associated with the “Blue” house re the plans etc. have been lodged with the appropriate Commonwealth Department in Canberra for their approval. Hopefully all will be OK.



to Alice Springs in the near future.

- Jenny Macklin, the Minister for Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs, will be briefed on the Kintore project at the Rotary Membership Conference in Canberra this weekend

- The hospital equipment collected by David Fox is being delivered

## Embassy Storeroom “clean-up”

Norma Donaldson (Vocation & Internal Leadership) encouraged Club members to help her clean up the Embassy basement Rotary storeroom before we leave the Embassy Motel.

In particular she requested that members indicate material that could be thrown out. When the issue of the Club’s banner collection was raised in the context of “disposable items” Des Henderson-Kelly gave a lengthy cov-

erage of the history of the banner collection and he offered to take any banners that were in the basement and add them to the already large collection he has at home. This generous offer was heartily supported by Club members.



## Club News

**Club Members:** Ian Excell is still in hospital but at last there are plans to finalize the final hip replacement. As a result Ian is much happier after over five weeks of treatment for an infection.

**New Club Meeting Venue:** Peter Evans reported that he is investigating several new venues for the Club to meet at after the Club is forced to leave the Embassy Motel due to redevelopment of the site. Peter will report back to the Club in the next few weeks.

**Rotary Scenic Cycle Tour of Canberra:** Robin Cromer has facilitated an excellent design and printing of the brochures & leaflets for the Rotary Scenic Cycle Tour of Canberra on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2008. Club members were appointed to distribute these in Canberra shopping & town centres.

**Club Outings:** Norma Donaldson (Vocation) asked Club members for ideas for future Club outings on Wednesday nights. Members suggested a trip to the zoo, a movie night (i.e. “The Band” at the Dendy), concerts, a pie-night (at David Fox’s place of employment), etc.

**Guest Speakers:** Neale Emanuel (acting Program organiser) asked for suggestions of high quality guest speakers for future Club meetings. Any suggestions direct to Neale.

**Raven Reporter**  
Gary Scott

## Change in Club Name

The possibility of a change of name for our Club has been discussed several times over the years, but no action taken. However, in recent times

were outlined. It was also noted that urban Canberra has changed greatly since the Club was formed nearly 40 years ago, and that it is quite common for Clubs to change their names; in this light the inclusion of “Canberra” in the Club name is unnecessary.

**The Club will vote on 30 July to:**

1. *Change the name of the Club*
2. *Call the Club “Woden Valley Rotary Club Incorporated”*

problems due to the Club being confused with others have become more frequent and serious. One effect has been that our service to the community has at times not been properly recognised or acknowledged. The Board decided to bring this issue before the Club for attention. In the discussions at last Wednesday’s Club Assembly, the problems

In line with the discussion last week, a Notice of Motion has been emailed to all members. If it is decided to make the change, it will not come into formal effect for some months, due to the need to obtain approvals from RI and from the ACT Registrar-General’s office.

On behalf of the Board:  
Keith Avent, Secretary

Robin and Jill Cromer wish to sincerely thank their Rotary friends for the beautiful flowers



we received on the death of Robin’s mother Betty, aged 96, last Wednesday.