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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

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

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SIGNS IN WAITING ROOMS

Anaesthesiologist –
“When you care enough to sleep with the very best.”

Podiatrist –
“Time wounds all heels.”

Optometrist –
“If you don’t see what you’re looking for, you’ve come to the right place.”

Veterinarian –
“Be back in 5 minutes. Sit! Stay!”

Gynaecologist –
“Dr Jones at your cervix.”

Attendance last week

Club Guests & Speakers: Eli Hopkins & Tom Sloan

Visiting Rotarian: Ron Marcus (Castle Hill)

Other Guests: Nil

Members present: 23

Makeups: 1

Percentage: 74.19 %

APOLOGIES

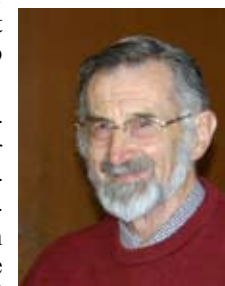
BY 3 PM TUESDAY
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DINNER ROSTER

	THIS WEEK - 19 August	NEXT WEEK – 26 August
Program	Kiebillou	Brett Bailey On being a landscape artist
Introduction	David Fox	Shukry Sahhar
Appreciation	Lukas Strohmayer	Des Pain
Fellowship	Bernadette Cappello	Christine Bell
	John Widdup	David Fox
Raven Recorder	Christine Bell	Bernadette Cappello
Birthdays	Piers Booth 19 August	Ros Osbourne and Rod Driver 28 August
Anniversaries	Phil & Louise Ibbotson 20 August	Bob & Helen Harvie 25 August, John & Julia Widdup 27 August

PARKING AT THOROUGHbred PARK

Friday 21 Aug. – Robin Cromer (Leader), John Gray, Keith Avent, and Neale Emanuel.



YOUR FELLOW MEMBER – Des Pain

Born 1926, the beginning of the Great Depression. Sad memories of swagmen seeking food. Fourth son in a family of seven children. Schooling at Barker College, Hornsby (Head prefect 1943). Sydney University to study for BE (Civil).

First job, stock water supplies in Western Queensland for stock walking from the Northern Territory to NSW. Following five years in Newcastle on urban water supply and sewerage and a year in England. Moved as Municipal Engineer to Cowra 1956, married Nell and joined Rotary. Then Shire Engineer, Wodonga, (President Rotary 62/63) finally joining the National Capital Development Commission in Canberra in 1965. (Joined Canberra-Woden Club 1969

– President 78/79). Appointed Chief Construction Manager (NCDC) 1973.

Following Tanzanian Government request of Australian Government for assistance in the transfer of their National Capital from Dar es Salaam (coastal) to Dodoma (centre of country), I drew the short straw, and worked in Dodoma for short intervals from 1976 to 1987, appointed variously UN Chief Technical Officer, Tanzanian Representative on a UN Review Committee and a member of an Australian Consultancy to Review the City’s Master Plan. In 1981, appointed Chief Engineer (NCDC).

Retired 1984, followed by consultancies in China and Tanzania. Four children and six grand children.

Dates for your diary

Parking – See rosters on page 4 for next parking day.

18-28 Aug. – Next working party to Kintore

5-12 Sept. – Adventure in Citizenship (RAIC)

Sun 27 Sept. – Rotary Spring Cycle Ride

16-19 Oct. – Club hosts Shanghai GSE team

23-25 Oct. – District Conference in Cooma

11 Nov. – Club AGM

26-28 Feb. – Canberra Show (parking)

TONIGHT

A PARTNERS’ NIGHT
We will be entertained by Keibilou.
What is Keibilou? See inside for further information.

August is Membership Extension Month

Last Week – Vietnam

Ian Excell opened the meeting calling for a toast to all who have been engaged in the Kintore Project.

Visiting Rotarian Ron Marcus from the Castle Hill Club, a Rotarian of 37 years, listed the activities of his Club – a Cycle Ride, Car Parking and Entry Collections for the local show, a Food and Wine Fair and Sausage Sizzles on request – a busy club!



Ajit Banerjee introduced the speakers – two A.N.U. Second Year students, Eli Hopkins and Tom Sloan – who have been on a study tour to Vietnam, Eli to look at youth and the effects of the past war, and Tom the flow of food and its origins. They spoke in turns with a background of projected photos.

The Vietnam War has left indelible marks on the countryside now utilised by the tourist industry. Places known to the West from wartime episodes have been preserved to become major places for the sale of souvenirs to travellers to an extent concealing the blight of war. Reproductions of Australian icons are prominent on the vendors' tables.

Otherwise the people are getting on with a normal life. As an example, the poor country peasants are making lamp shades from bamboo, selling on to the craft factories in the cities to turn them into showy lanterns for hotels and city homes. But although the locals were reluctant to speak of the war, the music of youth is full of references to those times.



There are other contrasts, again an example, riverside accommodation for the poor is being demolished, to be replaced with multi-story units and offices to catch business and tourists. A similar study group saw this project started a year ago but the financial crisis has frozen progress. Planning is in the hands of senior members of the controlling political party.

Australians are welcomed there despite our association with the U.S.A. in the conflict because of the large measure of support our Government has given from building bridges to planting gum trees.

Vietnam is living a new life, an independent nation after many years of occupation, encouraging the locals to become “tourist guides” for their own country.

Carlo Binutti responded appropriately having served for a time with our forces during the Vietnam War.

President Ros closed the meeting, reminding members of I.P. John Kenny's theme:

“The future of Rotary is in your hands”

Club News

Club Finances: The Board has reviewed our financial position and progress with the Rotary Western Desert Project to which we have a commitment for five years. The Club will wisely limit donations for other purposes for the time being. The Board is continuing to pursue sources of financial support and donations.

Rotary Western Desert Project: John Widdup and Anne-Marie Driver have now left as part of the next working party at Kintore.

RAIC: President Ros has expressed her thanks to Bruce, Bernadette, Neale and Gary, our representatives on the R.A.I.C Committee and to those who will host delegates – Ian and Val Excell, John and Anne Robson. Bruce Wyatt and Celeste, Gary Scott and Pat, and John and Julia Widdup. Offers of transport of delegates are required a.m. & p.m to and from the venues.

Club Survey: John Widdup commented on the results of the Club Survey conducted two weeks ago, indicating enthusiasm and criticism but generally being positive. Copies were distributed.

Forthcoming Events: Club Assembly on 26 August. Ideas – discussion groups, Chinese Dinner and film, Evening Meal at the Mental Health Foundation ACT Facility, “The Rainbow” at Canberra Technology Park, and Vocational Visit – the Yarralumla Brickworks (after daylight saving starts).

Rotary Spring Cycle Ride: John Widdup is distributing stocks of brochures. See him if you require more.

Club Vision Program Leaders: A plan for clubs to review their planning. A weekend is being held in September (12th & 13th) for a member interested in reporting back to the Board and accepting training as a facilitator - information distributed.

Partners' Night – What is Keibilou?

Keibilou is a small group which entertains people in Retirement Villages and Nursing homes . Our Honorary Member Irene has sung with them as a guest. They felt that the Club might like to know what they do.

Tonight they will present a short program of songs , music and jokes designed for audience participation . This is a partner's night.

They have recently approached the Club for some help with a sound system but their request is on hold because of the financial demands of Kintore .

Know your Rotary acronyms – HESS

Honeywell Engineering Summer School: The purpose of HESS is to give students a better understanding of engineering by attending a six day program gaining insights into a range of engineering disciplines. The program is for 80 students who have just completed Year 11 in ACT or NSW. Information can be found at [Honeywell Engineering Science School](#)

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