

**BULLETIN – 35/2019/20**

**Meeting held 28th MARCH 2020**

Rotary Club of Coonabarabran

 Club No 17922 ***Chartered 13 May 1949***

RI President: Mark Maloney Governor D9650: Phil Hafey AG: Rod Browne

**Club President: Ian Bell**

**President Elect/VIce President: Mal Unicomb Immediate Past President: Jo Wilkin**

**Secretary: Lindsay Wilkin Treasurer: John Sawyer**

**Public Officer: Bob Guichelaar**

**Directors**

Club Service: Hugh Raadgever Membership: Mal Unicomb

Public Relations: Aileen Bell Youth Service: Jo Wilkin

Rotary Foundation: Bob Guichelaar International Service: Rob Noakes

Vocational Service: Simon Tighe Community Service: Rob Cox

**Rotary meets each Monday 6 for 6.30 – Coonabarabran Bowling Club.** Apologies and additional guests: Phone or Text by 9am Monday to Hugh Raadgever 0427 421 396.

**Partners are welcome to attend our meetings at any time.**

Changes to programs to accommodate requirements will be advised in advance of the changes.

The following program will be adhered to as much as possible:

**Week 1:** A Business Meeting with a speaker – good night for prospective members

**Week 2:** a Club Meeting – business only

**Week 3:** Vocational Meeting - speaker or visit - good night for prospective members

**Week 4:** A Breakfast Meeting – moving around town - good for prospective members

When we have **5 Mondays** **in a month** we will have **a family and guests’ night** – sometimes trivia, sometimes games, sometimes a Rotarian talking about a Rotary Project – bring your families and prospective members along.

*Following the Week 2 Meeting* there will be a **Board Meeting** and on the3rd Month there will be a **Club Assembly** for the 2nd meeting preceding the board meeting. **Next Club Assembly is 4th May 2020**.

**A Duty Roster** will be published **each month** with member duties for each week – **if a member cannot do the task allocated - then they should take responsibility for finding a replacement - getting someone to do their task.**

**IT IS NOT ESSENTIAL TO EAT AT ROTARY MEETINGS EACH WEEK, IF YOU CHOOSE TO DINE ELSEWHERE**

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS AN $8 MEETING FEE TO BE PAID for RF AND ARHF ETC**



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After some glitches and sorting of ways and means, your Board and Directors met for the first time by Zoom… Thank you Jo for arranging the IT side of the meeting. Jo had been on a Zoom meeting where a former YEP student, now a police officer in the USA had presented for a half hour from her workplace. A patrol car - so Jo knew it worked .. the District eClub in Tamworth meets successfully each week this way too. When requesting a dicision it became obvious we had some technical issues to address but on the whole there was agreement to proceed with Zoom meetings for the whole Club. We did discuss briefly the Changeover time but no final decision was made .. we await District correspondence on Assemblies etc.

So to maintain contact with members and as a Club **we will ALL meet on Monday 6th April .. ONLINE using ZOOM** a**t 7pm** .. so, in the comfort of your home, have your glass of wine ready for the toast. We will not have a guest speaker but will work on how we continue to meet and the frequency of meetings. Apolgies to Hugh will be the norm. Jo is available to assist members with ensuring they are able to get online.

Several decision were made that effects ALL MEMBERS ..the Board and Directors with apologies from Col Welsh and Simon Tighe

**Little Libraries** .. all complete and it was agreed that the Little Libraries installation should wait until we are in a position to gather.

**Contribution to Ian Whittle** of $500 from Oak Foundation has been made .. no further correspondence .

**Toilets in Bakery Park ..** Rob Cox is yet to meet with Roger Bailey re this.

**REPORTS:**

**Drought Report:** Payments were discussed including the allocation of $5000 each to CRT in Binnaway and Baradine and Coona Rural Supplies to offset farmers’ accounts. This leaves a balance of about $4700 for gatherings .. it was agreed that when this is over people will require time to gather.

**Finance** John in presenting his Finance Report spoke of the exchange rate and how it may affect the dues we pay each 6 months. Fortunately the Club’s finances are in a good position.

**Catering ..** all catering events have been cancelled .. The Equestrian Expo has been cancelled. So Trailer is to be mothballed except for some minor maintenance .. Rob is liaising with Grant Wood.

The agenda also included decisions on other agenda items..

* + - * How we meet and how we maintain the Club – frequency *- decision by whole club*?
      * A role for ALL members – *a suggestion to involve all members while in recess in line with profiles ...discussed and agreed to put members together and have them present a profile on their “buddy”*
      * Communicating with Members during the interim period –*how this should be done .. do we use emails etc. and frequency..to whole club decision.*
  + Communication to community - using the Times and/or Community Radio  - frequency ..

At the end of the meeting Jo highlighted why we should not meet face to face and just how virulent this strain of CoVid 19 is .. Jennifer Wilkin was in Westhaven and suffering a severe gastroenteritis, she was admitted to Dubbo Base and tested (when breathing issues arose) for CoVid 19, and found to be positive. **She had been in a safe and isolated environment at Westhaven** **so the message to ALL OF US IS .. PLEASE SOCIALLY ISOLATE AND ADHERE TO HYGEINE PRACTICES**. Good news is Jennifer is recovering but our thoughts are with Lindsay and his family.

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**Next meeting duties**

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| **Welcome to Rotary** | **Dinner Service** | **Profile/Buddy Reports** | **Intro G Speaker** | **Thank G Speaker** |
| **4 May Dinner Meeting .. Bd Meeting follows**  **Col** | **Procter & Hugh** | **Bob Guichelaar on Marie Knight** | **Lindsay** | **Mal** |

* *if you can’t do your duty for any reason, ask someone to fill in for you please so that the President is not left “holding the baby” on the night!!!*

**ROTARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

*Please note that* ***every night is a partners night*** *.. wives and partners are welcome to attend meetings as and when their interest is alerted.*

**Note**also*: April Race meeting - cancelled Equestrian Exp – cancelled, Rugby Carniovals - cancelled, Bunny Bazaar - postponed for 2020 because of Corona Virus.*

**6 April** **ZOOM** .. AGENDA WILL BE SENT OUT

**13 April** Easter Monday .. **NO MEETING**

**15 June** **Changeover**

***Ever the optimist .. Doing this roster in the hope that the isolation will end 1st May .. please******read***

*and if you can’t do your duty ask someone to fill in for you please .. swap if possible ask them to advise the President and Bulletin Editor*

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| **11 May .. Club Assembly & Short Bd Mting**  **Mal** | **Jo W & John S** | **Dave Maher on Ian McLean** | **NO GUESTS** |  |
| **18 May .. Vocational Meeting Russ** | **Laurie & Robert** | **Procter Morris on Jim Pearson** | **Rob Dean** | **Rob Cox** |
| **25 May .. Brekky Mting**  **Roger** | **Michael D & Rob Dean** | **Hugh Raadgever on John Sawyer Simon Tighe** | **Procter** | **?? John S** |
| **1 June .. Dinner Meeting Aileen** | **Bob G & Marie K** | **Simon Tighe on Mal Unicomb** | **Kevin** | **Jo W** |
| **8 June.. Dinner followed by Bd Meeting Kevin B** | **David M & Ian McLean** | **Col Welsh on Lindsay Wilkin** | **Hugh** | **Aileen** |

**New member profiles will be added in the Profile Buddy Column as and when they happen**