

Rotary Club of Warialda

Annual Report 2016 – 2017

37th Annual Changeover

26th June 2017

Program

Call to order by Chairman.....Peter Hancock

Rotary Grace and Toast to Australia....Ken Brookes

Apologies.....Ken Brookes

Introduction and Welcome to Visitors..Ken Brookes

DINNER

Toast to Rotary International.....Paul Jones

President's Report.....Jim Moore

Presentations and Donations.....Jim Moore

Introduction of New Board.....Jim Moore

Announcement of Streetscape Fund Art Raffle

National Anthem

Rotary Club of Warialda

2016 – 2017 Board

President.....Jim Moore
Secretary.....Phil Ledingham
Treasurer.....Ian McFarlane
Community Service Director.....Ken Brookes
Club Service Director.....Paul Jones
Youth Service Director.....Richard Clarke

2017 -2018 Board remains the same

Rotary Grace

O Lord, the giver of all good
We thank Thee for our daily food
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve Thee all our days

ROTARY CLUB OF WARIALDA INC Members June 2017

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| Martin Bell | | Newsagencies |
| Ken Brookes | | Agricultural Research |
| Kerry Cannon | Susan | Sculpture |
| Richard Clarke | Lyn | Education |
| Lyn Fragar | Richard | Public Health Administration |
| Peter Hancock | Jan | Education |
| John Hay | Frances | Sports Administration |
| Paul Jones | Anne | Grain Growing |
| Phil Ledingham | Yvonne | Beef Production |
| Ian McFarlane | Pattie | Pharmacies |
| Jim Moore | Chris | Agronomy |
| Brian Rolfe | Dianne | Furniture Removals |
| Bob Swain | Kate | Earthmoving |
| Charlie Woollett | Ann | Engineering |
| Colin Moodie | Diane | Friend of Rotary |
| Gary Osmond | Kay | Friend of Rotary |
| Mark Coulton MP | Robyn | Honorary |
| John Coulton | Kerry | Honorary |
| Lance Stevenson | Margaret | Honorary |
| Judy Smith | | Honorary |
| Robbie Burge | | Honorary |

DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS 2016 – 17

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| Naroo Hostel (towards lifter)..... | \$2000 |
| Captain Cook Playground Area..... | \$7000 |
| Includes \$3400 Rotary Foundation Grant | |
| Australian Rotary Health..... | \$1500 |
| Australian Rotary Health R.I. Partner's Project..... | \$500 |
| Shelter Box..... | \$1000 |
| Westpac Rescue Helicopter..... | \$2000 |
| Logan Taylor Appeal..... | \$650 |
| Inverell Public School Deaf Camp..... | \$500 |
| Rotary Foundation..... | \$1000 |
| Warialda High School..... | \$40 |
| Warialda Public School..... | \$40 |
| St Josephs School..... | \$40 |
| Gravesend Public School..... | \$40 |
| TOTAL | \$16310 |

ROTARY CLUB OF WARIALDA INC

Annual Financial Statement 01/07/2016 -- 30/06/2017

Opening balance 01/07/16 10349.89

INCOME

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| Sundry income | 5756.52 |
| Dinner fees | 8725.25 |
| Fines | 375.60 |
| Members subscriptions | 2750.00 |
| Barbecues | 1711.00 |
| Bowelscan | 870.00 |
| Golf Day 2017 | 7691.24 |
| Golf Day 2016 | 750.00 |
| Drum Muster | 1257.50 |
| Australia Day | 1630.00 |
| Donations | 1254.00 |
| Raffles | 239.10 |
| Honey Festival | 671.10 |
| SWEF account | 450.00 |

TOTAL DEPOSITS 34131.31

44481.20

PAYMENTS

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| Golf Day 2016 | 111.00 |
| Donations | 9150.00 |
| Dinner Fees | 7754.00 |
| R.I. Dues | 1487.23 |
| District Dues | 1608.00 |
| Rotary Down Under | 680.00 |
| Club Administration | 395.30 |
| Sundry outgo | 258.70 |
| Golf Day | 2423.11 |
| Barbecues | 1137.99 |
| Australia Day | 1281.29 |
| Donations | 7760.00 |
| Honey Festival | 600.00 |
| Rotary Youth | 320.00 |
| Bowelscan | 778.00 |
| Advertising | 104.50 |

TOTAL PAYMENTS 35849.12

CLOSING BALANCE 8632.08

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Another busy year has passed and a big thank you to our wives, partners, members and our sponsors throughout the year.

The joint golf and cards day is a major fund raiser for

Rotary, thanks to the efforts of Ray Lindsay, The Golf & Bowling Club, Chinese Restaurant and the Ladies who organised the card events. Other Rotary activities we involved-

Warialda Races

Warialda P & A Show gate

Warialda Rugby League Club

Captain Cook play ground area

Honey festival

Cunningham walk trail

Reedy Creek walk trail

Clean-up Australia Day

School Science Challenge Day (Inverell)

Battery collections

Warialda High School Mathematics Tutorials

DrumMuster

Give a Gwydir shop front

Warialda Streetscape Enhancement program

As a small active Club, we fundraise for the benefit of the Community and a great example of such a project was working in conjunction with the Regional Australia Bank, Gwydir Shire Council and Warialda Playgroup, raising \$25,000 for new play equipment at Captain Cook Park. You will also see in the Annual Report how funds were distributed throughout the year.

Australia Day Ambassador, Steve Widders a blind Indigenous man who spoke about the coming together, unity and acceptance of people and communities and what Australia Day should mean to all cultures one comment he did make, Warialda was the best Australia Day celebration that he had attended. He also commented, that his highlight was that he had

met Jim Payne personally, a Legendary person he had heard so much about in his early days. Steve was an inspiration to all Australians.

We have now changed our partners nights to a Sunday luncheon at various locations which has become a success with members and guests.

My sincere thanks goes to our Executive Members for their support, enthusiasm and Sponsors throughout the year.

COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

Warialda Rotary Club has had a varied and successful year in community service.

The Australia Day activities this year were again well attended and successful. Our Australia Day Ambassador this year was Steve Widders, an aboriginal elder from Armidale. Steve has had a long association with Rotary, aboriginal, and community organisations and gave a very enlightening and balanced Australia Day address.

Over the past year we have been working towards upgrading the equipment at the childrens playground at Captain Cook Park. Through a joint effort involving Rotary Foundation, Gwydir Shire Council, parents and the Rotary Club, plans are now bring finalised to spend around \$24000 on this project.

We thank Warialda Pharmacy for handling the sales of Rotary Bowelscan kits again this year. However, this will be the last year of mthe Rotary program as in the future it will be administered by the federal government.

We continue to conduct the Warialda and Coolatai DrumMuster compounds for Gwydir Shire Council. This places used farm chemical drums into recycling and provides a small steady income for the club.

The club took part in annual Clean Up Australia program. The effectiveness of this was somewhat reduced by the great bureaucracy that seems to be increasing in everything we do, by decreeing that it was too dangerous to clean up along the side of roads leading into town.

This year members of the club with RSA qualifications are manning the bar at local rugby league games. This helps the game in Warialda as well as providing a small income for us.

We have continued regular mowing and cleaning up activities on an extension of the walking track along Warialda Creek, as well as clearing and slashing a caravan free parking area on Warialda Creek adjacent to the Cunningham Rest area.

We again manned the Warialda Show gates for one day, and assisted the Warialda Jockey Club at their annual race meeting by supplying a barbeque lunch and also, selling bar tickets. Unfortunately the race meeting was cut short by a tragic race fall that resulted in the death of one jockey and injuries to two others.

My thanks go to Gwydir Shire Council, many community members and club members who have assisted in these activities.

Ken Brookes

CLUB SERVICE REPORT

This past year has been successful with our fund raising and fellowship.

The lack of new members is a concern, but does not only apply to Rotary.

I would like to express the value of the work that Ken Brookes does for Rotary as well for the Warialda community.

Changing our partners meeting to lunch time is a great improvement from the night meetings, as some now, prefer not to travel at night.

Our club was represented at the District Conference at Laurieton and the line up of keynote speakers was inspiring. Sarah Brown, the CEO of the western Desert Aboriginal Corporation, spoke of her passion for indigenous health and the sad need for dialysis machines. Dr Ray Hodgson shocked conference attendees with his work with women and children in Nepal with the high mortality rate of women during childbirth in developing countries. Squadron Leader Kristy Cross spoke as captain of the E7 Airborne early Warning and Control Aircraft and her experiences in the Middle East. Professor Ron Rapee reported on treatment programs that are used across the world, focusing on the prevention of anxiety and depression. Jim Frazier, a wildlife cinematographer, talked of his love of beasts and bugs. He invented the Frazier Lens System which revolutionized the working on documentaries with David Attenborough.

The following were guest speakers at our partners get-togethers:

Tim Montgomery spoke of his life as a rugby player overseas and his career in the Police Force.

Gemma Richardson talked of her remarkable existence with her health problems.

It was interesting to hear of the proposed Shire developments for Warialda from our Mayor, John Coulton.

Croppa Creek meeting with Moree, Moree-on-Gwydir and Goondiwindi clubs was enjoyable and had an interesting speaker. He is a retired police prosecutor.

Paul Jones



At our age
we shouldn't eat health foods.
We need all the preservatives
we can get!