



# Rotary Club of Corowa Weekly Bulletin



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**Chartered:**

**17 May 1939**

Meet Thursdays at  
Corowa RSL Club,  
6.30pm for 7.00pm

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Corowa NSW 2646

**President**

**Paul Mowlam**  
(Libby)

**2011 - 2012**

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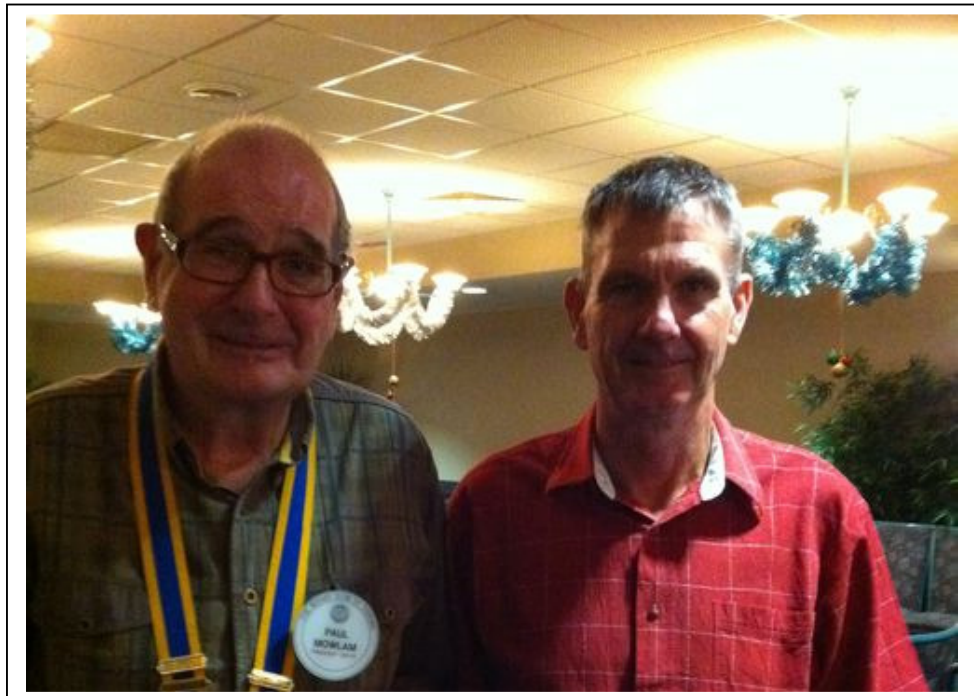
**David Anderson**  
Rotary Club of Yea

**The 4 Way Test**

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill & better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?



## LAST WEEK – JOHN BURSILL



President Paul Mowlam with John Bursill

**From the Meeting:**

Neil – handed out copies of the current version of our club By-Laws. These are currently under revision and Neil and David P are seeking input from members before drafting the new by-laws.

Margaret – Was at Dookie over the weekend for the final orientation of the group of outbound students from our District. Axel accompanied and due to the fact that he had no sleep at all for the weekend considers the event a huge success!

**The last meeting 15/9/11:**

**Guests:** John & Chris Bursill, Nigel Cremer, Oliver Raschke, Axel,

**Visiting Rotarians:**

AG Terry Simmonds, Ray Terrill, Phillip Nickson

**Birthdays:** None

**Attendance:** 75.5%, 6 apologies

**Raffle 1:** Chris Erickson

**Raffle 2:** John Bursill, 8 of Spades

**Local Clubs Nearby:**

**Rutherglen**

Meet Wednesday  
Vic Hotel, Main Street  
6.30pm for 7.00pm

**Yarrowonga/Mulwala**

Meet Monday  
Mulwala Services Club  
6.00pm for 6.30pm

**Albury:**

Meet Monday  
Commercial Albury Golf Club  
6.00pm for 6.30pm

**Wangaratta:**

Meet Monday  
Murdoch House  
6.00pm for 6.30pm

**Albury Hume:**

Meet Wednesday  
SS&A club  
12.45pm for 1.00pm

**Albury West:**

Meet Tuesday  
Albury Club  
6.00pm for 6.30pm

**Albury North:**

Meet Tuesday  
SS&A Club  
5.30pm for 6.00pm

**International Toast this week:**

Rotary Club of Bangkok.

Chartered on 17<sup>th</sup> September 1930 this club is located in the city hosting the 2012 International Convention in May next year.

The club has 97 members, their President is Chamnong Wataragase and they meet on Thursdays at the Grand Hyatt Erawan in Bangkok.

**Rotary Information this week:**

Craig drafted young Harry Overend to investigate and produce a range of facts about Rotary International which illustrate the vast international demographic of the organisation.

**REMEMBER TO NOTIFY YOUR APOLOGY TO CLUB SERGEANT DON BURROWES BY 8.00PM ON WEDNESDAYS – Ph 60 330423 or 0427 324033**

	Sunday 18/12/2011	Thurs 5/1/2012	Thurs 12/1/2012
<b>Program</b>	Xmas party at Jones Winery	BBQ at Lions Park	TBA
<b>Chairman</b>	N/A	N/A	Arthur F
<b>Treasurer</b>	N/A	N/A	Chris E
<b>Rotary Grace</b>	N/A	N/A	Neil
<b>Loyal Toast</b>	N/A	N/A	Trish
<b>International Toast</b>	N/A	N/A	Wally
<b>Rotary Information</b>	N/A	N/A	Graeme C
<b>Sergeants Help</b>	N/A	N/A	Graham B



**Rotary Graces**

*O Lord the giver of all  
good  
We thank you for our  
daily food  
May Rotary friends  
and Rotary ways  
us to serve you all our  
days  
Amen*

.....

For good food  
For good fellowship  
And the privilege to  
serve through Rotary  
We give thanks  
Amen

**Club Positions****Secretary**

Ian Carrington

**Treasurer**

John Law

**President Elect**

Stephen Apps

**Club/ Community  
Service**

Graeme Campbell

**International Service**

Gail Law

**Vocational Service**

Alan Wilson

**Public****Relations/Programs**

Graham Brown

**Membership**

Alan Wilson

**Rotary Foundation**

Gail Law

**New Generations**

Stephen Apps

**Sergeant at Arms**

Don Burrowes/Alan  
Wilson

**Dates to  
Remember:  
25<sup>th</sup> December –  
Xmas Day!**

Our guest speaker this week was John Bursill.

John participated in *La Bella Italia*, an international cycling challenge which also raises money for The Oncology Childrens Foundation .

The **Oncology Children's Foundation** (OCF), through the 200 Tomorrows program, is the official charity partner of Bike-Dreams in Australia and New Zealand. OCF funds research programs with the sole objective of finding cures for childhood cancers with the lowest survival rates. Its commitment to give all kids with cancer the opportunity to grow up and live their dreams is seeing us move more research to clinical trials faster. Bike-Dreams has raised A\$100,000 for OCF. Working together, cures are within our grasp. "**La Bella Italia**" is one of the OCF-charity challenges again 2012.

John raised \$1,750 for the OCF from his La Bella Italia tour.

The La Bella Italia is a 3,000km cycle tour through the Alps of Northern Italy Switzerland and France. John gave a pictorial tour of the challenge showing off some of the wonderful scenery of the Alps and famous points of interest seen on the Tour de France.

**AMAZING GRACE**

As a bagpiper, I play many gigs. Recently I was asked by a funeral director to play at a graveside service for a homeless man.

He had no family or friends, so the service was to be at a pauper's cemetery in the Corryong back country.

As I was not familiar with the backwoods, I got lost and, being a typical man, I didn't stop for directions. I finally arrived over an hour late and saw that the funeral bloke had evidently gone and the hearse was nowhere in sight. There were only the diggers and crew left and they were eating lunch. I felt badly and apologized to the men for being late.

I went to the side of the grave and looked down and the vault lid was already in place and earth covered most of it.

I didn't know what else to do, so I started to play. The workers put down their lunches and began to gather around.

I played out my heart and soul for this man with no family and friends.

I played like I've never played before for this poor, homeless man.

And as I played Amazing Grace, the workers began to weep. They wept, I wept, we all wept together.

When I finished I packed up my bagpipes and started for my car. Though my head hung low, my heart was full.

As I opened the door to my car, I heard one of the workers say,

"I have never seen nothin' like that before and I've been putting in these septic tanks for twenty years."