

# ROTARY CLUB OF COROWA



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## WEEKLY BULLETIN

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We were saddened to learn of the passing of Rotarian Jack Tonge last Monday. Jack had a long association with Rotary Clubs in Melbourne and in the last few years in our club. Our condolences go to Joy and family for the loss of a husband, a father and a true gentleman. Sadly missed but not forgotten - rest in peace, Jack.

### Last Meeting. Club Assembly

**International Toast** – proposed by Graeme C. The Rotary Club of Marambio Base, the first club of Antarctica, District 4890. It is the first of only two Rotary Club in the Antarctic continent, and was founded on May 13, 1997 by the then President of Rotary International, Luis Vicente Giay.

The Club currently consists of members of the permanent contingent of the Marambio base of the Argentine Air Force.

They live all year under the harsh climate prevailing in the area to provide support for various missions and international scientific collaboration with other Argentine Antarctic bases and also for bases of other countries. When travelling near the South Pole consider dropping in, the club meets on Wednesday evenings.

### Announcements.

- 2 day Mental Health First Aid Training Course at the Civic Centre on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May. Participants will learn the signs and symptoms of common mental health problems. The course is free. Phone 02 63638420 to register.
- Rotary Club of Yea and the Macular Degeneration Foundation. Charts for eye tests handed out.
- Numbers taken for the bus trip to a highly secret destination.
- Annual reports to be in to Paul a.s.a.p. or even quicker.
- Combined Board meeting to be held on 12<sup>th</sup> June.

### Attendance.

76%. The birthday person was absent so no singing.

### Points from assembly.

1. Our wine in nearly ready for sale.
2. Howard handed out information on 2013 conference.
3. Council will clean the Rotunda roof in spring.
4. Programmes – should they be continued in the same way next year.
5. Should we set up a conference committee to try to get more people to attend conference.
6. Youth exchange. We have 1 applicant for outbound exchange. No incoming student for the coming year.
7. Next year emphasis will be placed on social activities, membership and fund raising. Ideas are needed from members.

### Coming up.

- Race gates 9<sup>th</sup> June
- BBQ in Safeway car park 16<sup>th</sup> June

### Raffles.

1. David T. (again)
2. Axel – King of diamonds

**\*\* BUS TRIP THIS WEDNESDAY \*\***

	30/5/2012	7/6/2012	14/6/2012
Programme	<b>Secret bus trip</b>	TBA	Margaret Wilmot Gallery 294
Chairman	<b>BUS</b>	Gail	Margaret
Treasurer	<b>LEAVES</b>	Arthur	Gail
Rotary grace	<b>RSL</b>	Chris	Arthur
Loyal Toast	<b>CAR</b>	Neil	Chris
Intl. Toast	<b>PARK</b>	Trish	Neil
Rotary Info.	<b>6 PM</b>	Wal	Trish
Sergeants help		Graeme C.	Wal

Tommie told little Johnny that most adults are hiding at least one dark secret making it very easy to blackmail them by saying, "I know the whole truth."

Little Johnny went home to give it a try. He looked his mother in the eye and said, "I know the whole truth." She quickly gave him \$20 and said, "Just don't tell your father." Undaunted, Little Johnny tried it on his big sister. She gave him every cent she had and begged him not to tell their parents. Little Johnny couldn't wait for his dad to get home.

As he greeted his father, Little Johnny said, "I know the whole truth." His father promptly handed him \$40 and said, "Whatever you do, don't tell your mother."

Little Johnny was liking this game, so on his way home from school the next day, he saw the mailman coming up the front walk. Little Johnny said, "I know the whole truth." The mailman immediately dropped his mail bag, opened his arms and said, "Then come and give your daddy a great big hug!"

A Highway Patrolman waited outside a popular local bar, hoping for a bust. At closing time, as everyone come out he spotted his potential quarry.

The man was so obviously inebriated that he could barely walk. He stumbled around the parking lot for a few minutes, looking for his car. After trying his keys on five other cars, he finally found his own vehicle.

He sat in the car a good ten minutes, as the other patrons left. He turned his light on, then off, wipers on, then off. He started to pull forward into the grass, then stopped. Finally, when he was the last car, he pulled out onto the road and started to drive away.

The patrolman, waiting for this, turned on his lights and pulled the man over. He administered the breathalyser test, and to his great surprise, the man blew a 0.00.

The patrolman was dumbfounded. "This equipment must be broken!" exclaimed the patrolman. "I doubt it," said the man, "Tonight I am the designated decoy!!!"

A group from Chicago spent a weekend gambling in Las Vegas. One of the men on that trip won \$100,000. He didn't want anyone to know about it, so he decided not to return with the others, but took a later plane home -- arriving back 3 a.m. He immediately went out to the backyard of his house, dug a hole and planted the money in it. The following morning he walked outside and found only an empty hole. He noticed footsteps leading from the hole to the house next door, which was owned by a deaf-mute. On the same street lived a professor who understood sign language and was a friend of the deaf man. Grabbing his pistol, the enraged man went to awaken the professor and dragged him to the deaf man's house.

"You tell this guy that if he doesn't give me back my \$100,000 I'm going to kill him!" he screamed at the professor. The professor conveyed the message to his friend, and his friend replied in sign language, "I hid it in my backyard, underneath the cherry tree."

The professor turned to the man with the gun and said, "He's not going to tell you. He said he'd rather die first."