

Dear Peter Thompson,

It is that time of year again, we are heading into the busy time for Service Activities and events (well we normally are). It always seems there is so much happening this time of year, for our club in particular we normally have the Gumi, or recently the Mighty Murrumbidgee River Duck Race, then we have the annual Fisherama, yet this year has been so quiet.

This year, we as the Club of South Wagga Apex, unfortunately are finding ourselves not so busy, predominately due to COVID. We have had to cancel the Gumi/Duck Race festival.

As you would be very familiar with; I assume all Service Clubs and Charities are in the same boat, due to the uncertainty surrounding COVID we have had to cancel events as the planning timeframe just simply was not there. This affects the community spirit and the bottom line of the clubs operational costs, limiting the club from giving from giving back to the community. It was with this in mind, that South Wagga Apex have decided to push on with this years Fisherama, as we feel the Community of Wagga need something, an event, to lift some spirits, encourage them outdoors, and to enjoy something with other likeminded people, and raise a couple of dollars for our club. The timeframe is much shorter than previous years, but we feel with our determination we can organise, promote, and hold the successful event that Wagga needs.

The Fisherama is normally not a very profitable event for our club, we make a few dollars, but the main drive of the event is simply encouraging the community to come together and enjoy one of our cities finest assets, the Wollundry Lagoon.

I am writing to you to request that Wagga City Council be so kind to support this event, by waiving the booking fee of \$100.

Waiving the fee will ensure that South Wagga Apex can continue the Fisherama as a viable community event, and assist South Wagga Apex to give back to the community throughout the next year, where we can.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Regards

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