

Duty Roster – MARCH/APRIL

Attendance:

MAY: John Clark, Cheryl Mould

JUNE: Peter Davis, Jim Hatfield

Meeting Preparation/Property

MAY: Elaine Mooney & Dugald Mitchell

JUNE: Dave Holgate & Julie Johnston

Fellowship: Margaret Echarri & Claire Neumeyer

Be early, if not at a meeting arrange a substitute. If meeting held at another venue arrange to bring property.

PLEASE NOTE
Change of Roster

Markets –

JUNE: Graham French (BBQ); Les Sutcliffe (C'Van); John Gill,

Plus two more volunteers.

JULY: Liz Apps, Col Adams (BBQ), Brian Jeffries, Alan Hall (C'van)

NOTE: Members rostered on and not able to attend are to make arrangements with another member to take their place. Those nominated to tow the caravan or chuck wagon are to be at the Rotary shed no later than 8am. ENSURE YOU GET THE KEY TO THE SHED FROM ROBBYN PRIOR TO THE EVENT SO THE EQUIPMENT CAN BE SET UP EARLY. If you are unable to tow the van or chuck wagon PLEASE ASK SOME ONE WHO CAN, or advise Robbyn before the event. Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Friday 2nd June – Susan Mitchell Birthday

Friday 2nd June –

Helen & Graham French Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to all from the Club Members

TUGGERANONG:

Members of the Tuggeranong Rotary Club spent a weekend in Cooma relaxing. Staying at the Royal Hotel, the small group enjoyed the hospitality and fresh air of the Cooma District. They dined at the Australian Hotel Bistro on Friday night.

ATTENDANCE

36 Members out of 52 = 70%

GUESTS: Ann Lehman & Freja (Club)

APOLOGIES: John C, Alan D, Margaret E, Jim H, Patrick K, Elaine M, The Moulds, Sabine S, Les S.

LEAVE: Alan H, Peter D, Alyson H-J & Brian J, Alan Hall.

WE ALSO MISSED: Liz A.

Des T & John G (Putting the *BULL* into *BULLETIN*)

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of the

Rotary Club of Cooma

“Rotary – Gateway to the Snowies”

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THOUGHT OF THE WEEK – John Jacoby.

“Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm”

Next Week: Alan Dodd

NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 31st May, 2006

Venue: Cooma Thai Restaurant

PROGRAMME: PRIDE OF WORK AWARDS

Partners' Night

Apologies & Guests to Darrell Please – Phone 6452 3302

Fellowship from 6 pm.

BEING AN EXCHANGE STUDENT IS SUCH HARD WORK...



It is more than somewhat obvious that the recent break from Cooma did little to change Freja's constant need of sleep. Having just returned from her exciting break away, we find her here on Steve's lounge, fast asleep.

SNIPPETS FROM THE BOARD

FOOD VAN UPGRADE

The Caravan was further discussed with the possibility of having “outside” labour completing the renovation due to the lack of manpower and time available to satisfactorily undertake this major work programme. The caravan represents a major proportion of the Clubs’ income and as such should be high on the priority list for maintenance and refurbishment.

Money has been set aside for this work and should be utilised to upgrade our investment in the ‘Van. Hence the Board’s discussion to make the unit more in keeping with the general health requirement.

SOUTHERN CROSS PATHWAY.

A request for assistance from Cooma Unlimited for the pathway from the Southern Cross Memorial to Lambie Gorge was received.

SKATE BOARD PARK:

Rotarian Dave Holgate gave a detailed report on the progress and requirement for the Skate Park. Dave and another Rotarian had inspected the Park and could see the large amount of work to be done to make the Park adequate for the growth and development of the “Boarders”. Dave has spoken with Council and has been well received with a fairly responsive programme having been outlined. Dave is looking for healthy volunteers to assist with the earthworks and getting the formwork ready for the concrete to be poured. This work will commence on Saturday 3rd June. Let Dave know you are coming and with what tools.

Let’s get our back into this one and support Dave who has also arranged for a large banner to be placed on the work site acknowledging the sponsors of the enhancement – Cooma Rotary, Council and Lodge Cooma.

ROTARY MARKETS:

There were 44 stalls last Sunday at the markets, which was a little down on previous occasions. The stalls returned \$740 giving \$370 to the Project and the Markets account. The BBQ returned \$962, Less expenses of \$640.35 giving a net return of \$321.65.

This was a pleasing result, and a great job well done fellows.

CAMP QUALITY:

Please do not forget that this club will be hosting the dinner at Jindabyne on Thursday 22.6.06 for the Camp Quality group. Ashley C has a team of volunteers to carry out this task. This has become an annual event and Ashley has been heavily involved each year in assisting these children on their annual stay.

Ann Lehmann, who has been in Cooma for 28 years, was the Guest Speaker on Wednesday. Married with 2 children, her son, Alex, was our club’s Global Youth Exchange student a couple of years ago. Ann was appointed co-ordinator of the Monaro Family Support when it commenced in Cooma in 1980 when funding was obtained. This was after group of volunteers had been running Home Makers Services in Cooma since 1978 because of their concerns about the lack of services for families in Cooma. Monaro Family Support’s Motto is ‘**FAMILY SUPPORT FOR GROWTH AND CHANGE**’, their aim is to assist families with dependent children in a wide range of ways. Some of these are ONE ON ONE SUPPORT where staff meet parents in office, home or even the park, to provide comfortable counseling and support. There is even a weekly playgroup for families to meet others in a supportive environment. They assist in SUPERVISED CONTACT VISITS for parents whose children have been placed in foster care, **PARENTING EDUCATION** across the Monaro SEPARATED DADS focusing on parenting, personal and legal issues. **MUMS AND DADS (MAD) GROUP FOR TEENAGE PARENTS** with regular meetings to allow them to receive information on parenting, health and safety issues **PARENTING ACROSS THE MONARO (PAM)** A group of parents who help the Community become child and parent friendly and have produced a Community Information Booklet available at Monaro Library **MONARO PRESCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING**, to assist with part fees for children who would otherwise miss on this Preschool training. **KOORI AFTER SCHOOL HOMEWORK PROGRAM (KASH)** in conjunction with Cooma Public School where a tutor assists indigenous children with homework **MONARO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMMITTEE** where volunteers provide a safe room and support for victims at Cooma Court House **MULTICULTURAL PROGRAM** to assist settlement of new arrivals and a Language Bank to assist those with poor English. Ann said this program could link with our Youth Exchange (For which she wants some assistance from Freja) Twin Cities and even the Rotary Cookbook, of which she had a copy. She said the future for Monaro Family Support is to work with large organisations, who get funding, to improve efficiency and create “one stop Shops” to provide social support for all families who need assistance in raising their children. Rotarians can assist by serving on the Management committee as have Jim Hatfield and Monica Alcock.



Far left:
Tony welcomes
Ann
Centre: Ann as
she addresses
the Club.
Left: Rob thanks
Ann for her talk.