NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY, 17 MARCH 1999 Assembly and Start Time: TUGGERANONG JOINT MEETING AT MICHELAGO

Coach leaving 6 pm outside Cooma China Town

APOLOGIES OR GUESTS: Please advise Darrell Gaukroger on 6452 3302 by midday of meeting. Remember – non-apology & non-attendance means you still pay for the meal.

FAX A FINE - MARK REVELANT - 6452 1815

ROSTER FOR MARCH: Attendance: Dave Holgate/Alan Hall Property: Bill Roach

Roster Duties: Please arrange for a member of each team to be there early or a substitute if not attending.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

Next Week: Ashley Constance

A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.

FUTURE PROGRAMS:

Markets BBQ - Team Col H, Alan H, Rob S, Darrell G 21/3

Trip through China 24/3

Dorothy the Dinosaur Show 27/3

Sir William Hudson Home Open Day - help needed 28/3

Life & Times of Michael Lukovic 31/3

NEWS AND HAPPENINGS:

District Newsletter: D G Max in his rounds of the clubs advises that he has seen a lot of copies of the District Newsletter left on the table after meetings have concluded and everyone has gone home (didn't happen at our club, as they were included in the RDU Bulletin, and if you left that there Sergeant Marko would fine you). So Clubs are only being sent about 10 to 12 copies for the Club Executive, which will also mean a bit of cost savings for District too. But we will be handing one to the Bulletin Editor who will include items in our bulletin.

Notes from February Newsletter: Cooma's attendance for December was 80% for the month, nearly a record???

RYPEN: is being held at Greenhills Canberra 14-16 May 1999, host Club is Yass Rotary Club and Clubs are encouraged to seek nominations now and to try and include as many boys as possible. The girls must have been outnumbering them in recent courses. Also Chairman Hugh Newman is looking for names of people (not necessarily Rotarians) who would make good presenters/facilitators. See Vocational Youth Director John Clark for more information/applications.

RYLA: also being held at Greenhills Centre from 15-22 May 1999. So if you know anyone between 19-25 who would benefit from this program contact - GUESS WHO - yes John Clark again for information and application forms.

Used Spectacles: The Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise has an urgent need for used spectacles for a project to assist the people of Flores Island Indonesia. So if you have a few pair, or even one pair lying around at home that are of no use to you anymore, bring them along and give them to Secretary Des and we will forward them to Canberra Sunrise to support their project (might even get a spare pair for President Gordon to use when he forgets his own???).

The Chambermaids: Carol Slater advised that The Chambermaids courtesy of the Snowy Monaro Arts Council will appear on Saturday 20 March at Platypus Lodge. Tickets are available from the Fabric Salon. The Chambermaids are a wind quintet with a difference & will be performing from Back to Berio.

Next Weeks Meeting: with Tuggeranong Club at Michelago. A coach leaves at 6 pm from outside Coorna China Town. The cost is \$25 per head & includes travel. Theme is St Patrick's Day, so wear something green & bring your partner. Book immediately or you'll miss out.

Canberra East Prostate Cancer Project Dinner: bookings are sought from Cooma for this dinner. A table of ten would be very helpful.

Cigana Mount Wear: A factory tour of Cigana Mountain Wear was conducted by David Cigana. The business started in Berridale as a true cottage industry & as it expanded it moved to the TWG building & then on to its current location at the Hain Centre. Currently there are 18 staff almost all of which are trained on the job. The market Cigana is targeting includes skiers, adventurers, & bushwalkers in Australia & New Zealand. Currently they are preparing to move into Germany & then use this foothold to expand further into Europe. The aim is to have their factory manufacturing for winter all year & the move into the Northern Hemisphere gives them this opportunity.

CLUB:

Birthdays: Lyn Nightingale 15/3 Attendance Last Week: 28 members out of 40 = 70% Rotary Extension ROTARY INFORMATION:

Seeking New Members - Just Ask! Many interested persons are just waiting to be asked. A Club in Yorkshire (UK) held a guest evening to attract new members; 15 invitees attended, of who 8 became members. (Rotary World, November p 3).