NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2000 Time: 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm

VENUE: Grand Court Chinese Restaurant

SPEAKER/TOPIC: Patrick Kwan – Business Mission to China

Chaired by Past President Gordon Haylock

VOTE OF THANKS: John J INTRODUCED BY: Rob S

APOLOGIES OR GUESTS: Please advise Darrell Gaukroger on 6452 3302 by midday of meeting. Also advise if you want an Australian Meal as against chinese meal.

Non-apology & non-attendance means you pay for the meal.

Apology, Non-attendance & no make-up means you pay \$2

SERGEANTS FAX-A-FINE: Send to John Clarke on 6452 4004

ROSTER FOR APRIL: Attendance: Tony DeT & Geoff B Property: Jim H

Be Early. If not at meeting arrange for substitute. At another venue arrange to bring necessary property.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK BY: Tom B

Next Week: Alyson H-J

Once a human mind takes on a new idea, it never goes back to its original dimension.

LAST WEEKS MEETING:

Rotary members from Melbourne, family and exchange students enjoyed a meal and fellowship with Cooma members on their way to Canberra on the Rotary Ride for Health Research (now in its 14th year) to attend Rotary District 9810 conference. \$200 donation from Cooma. Local speaker Matt O'Rourke told of his experiences overseas while representing Australia in junior cross-country skiing races. Matt said he has gained wonderful experience competing against the world best, on two occasions had beaten his coach!! Thanked Rotary support. NEWS:

Rotary Club of Bega: is organising a dinner, April 29th for Prostate Cancer Research. Alyson H-J has booked a table. Please see her re bookings. \$10,000 needs to be raised.

Board: has approved for the building of a trailer to house Rotary BBQ's.

Fosseys: will be transferring to Target Country shortly, and the Club has agreed to provide a BBQ for the opening. They supply the goods, we do the BBQ and a donation is made to the Club.

Timor Bike Appeal: 135 bikes ready to be shipped from Sydney by Catholic organisation.

News from Luisa: in Germany with other students from South America. She attended a Rotary exchange briefing – at the end everyone had learnt the cha-cha and tango!!! Another time, they were walking along a beach and it started to snow!!

Board Meeting: 19th April both current and incoming Boards (after meeting).

FÜTURE PROGRAMS:

April 19: Trevor Bowden (District 9710 Reconciliation Committee) and Ivan Chiping (Reconciliation).

April 26: Phil Brotherton – NSW Ambulance Service

May 3: Peter Mitchell – Local Herb Industry

ROTARY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Week: 25 members out of 40 = 62.5% Visiting Rotarians: Donald Thomas (Ginnanderra), 52 Victorian Rotarians, Exchange Students and family on the Australian Rotary Health Foundation from District 9810. Guests: Andre, Matthew O'Rourke & Peter Cochran (Club) Apologies: Clarke; Constance, Epstein; Hackney; Hatfield; Haylock; Legalle; Locker; Pauletto; Prendergast; Shirvington; Laub Leave of Absence: Slater We Also Missed: Dunne; Lukovic The Special Olympics, 1999 ROTARY INFORMATION:

In North Carolina, USA, attracted more than 7000 athletes with disabilities from 150 countries, and was staffed by Rotarians. The Special Olympics Oath states:- "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt". (The Rotarian, January p 50).