

NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 11TH JULY 2001 Time: 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm
VENUE: THE OLD BANK CAFÉ, 161 SHARP STREET, COOMA
SPEAKER/TOPIC: Katherine Thompson
Her Trip to China – Performing Arts
INTRODUCED BY: Patrick Kwan VOTE OF THANKS: Alan Dodd

APOLOGIES OR GUESTS: Please advise Darrell Gaukroger on 6452 3302 by midday of meeting.

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 Graham French on 64523508

JULY ROSTER: *Attendance:* Tony Slater & Brian Jeffries *Property:* Kevin Dunne

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

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK BY: Lou Moore

Next Week: John Clarke

You may be disappointed if you fail, but you will be doomed if you don't try.

LAST WEEKS MEETING:

Our recently returned Global Youth Exchange student, Louisa Pauletto spoke on her exchange in Germany. Her views on this country and its people had been based on SBS television programs. However, this trip broadened her horizon and gave her a first hand view of a foreign environment. She was in North West Germany, north of Hamburg - quite a change from summer in Cooma to winter in Germany. Her host families were excellent and she was quickly adopted into them. (Of particular note, an 83-year-old grandmother who assisted her to learn the local language, rode a horse everyday and out-walked her.) She made a couple of faux pas in early language translations, but on the whole found the German people very hard working, community and family orientated with a culture for good food, strong family association, and a liking for beer fests. A changed perspective to that seen on SBS, and everything very open, even the Prison camps, of which they are not very proud. School was very different, especially getting up at 5.30 am to go to school in the dark from 6.15 am to 1 pm and then coming home again in the dark. Students are encouraged to be very positive, responsible for their own behavior. (Learn German, French, Latin and English also). Whilst there she attended 5 Rotary meetings, there are no women in Rotary there and meetings are much more staid than that of our club. The exchange has given Louisa a changed and positive outlook, and I am sure she was an excellent ambassador for Australia, Cooma and Rotary and wetted her appetite for further travel.

NEWS:



Hendrika Hatfield has been successful in District Interviews and is our next outgoing GYE student to Canada.



Louise Bak our incoming exchange student from Belgium has been emailing her first host family, the French's, due in July/August, but not looking forward to skiing with Graham.



2002 Outgoing GSE Team to Venezuela – Applications now called for. A multi-focus team, from all walks of life, no special category, desirable is fluent in Spanish. Applications close on 1 August 2001.

ROTARY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Week: 27 members out of 38 = 73% **Guests:** Louisa Pauletto (who was so popular she encouraged another 20 guests to turn up) **Apologies:** Tom B; Geoff B; David E; Graham F; Jim H; Ken P; Neville L; Steve S **Leave of Absence:** Dugald M; Dr Bob (now out of hospital and recuperating with family in Sydney) **Make-ups:** Alan Hall (BBQ); Alison Hulley-Jeffries and Brian Jeffries (2)

ROTARY INFORMATION: WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE

Rotary Project Amigo putting the children first helping in small Villages in Mexico. Project Amigo offers Rotarians the chance to experience World Community Service "one-on-one" as Rotarians, we can't be satisfied with performing World Community service by merely writing a cheque.

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