

NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 14th NOVEMBER 2001 Time: 6.00 pm for 6.30 pm
VENUE: THE OLD BANK CAFÉ, 161 SHARP STREET, COOMA
SPEAKER/TOPIC: New Members: Robin Crooks & David Byrne - 10 minuter: "Who Am I"
INTRODUCED BY: Pres Ashley VOTE OF THANKS: Tony Slater

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 64526102

NOVEMBER ROSTER: Attendance: Allan Hall & Allan Dodd Property: Tony De Tommaso

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


THOUGHT OF THE WEEK BY: Daryl Gaukroger Next Week: Dugald Mitchell


We all have photographic memories, but some of us have run out of film.


LAST WEEKS MEETING:

Past District Governor Len Goodman, who among many other volunteer activities, is chairman of the Snowy Hydro South Care Helicopter Rescue Fund, gave the combined service clubs a talk of this scheme. The committee are responsible for raising funds and the profile of the operation which was launched in 1990. The Patron is Stuart Diver and the HELICOPTER is known as "The Angel of Mercy", is a Bell 412 twin jet machine, capable of carrying 4 stretchers or 14 personnel in addition to crew. Has Paramedics from Canberra Ambulance Service and Doctors from Canberra Hospital when required. Also has a water bucket for fire-fighting when required. Covers the area from Milton-Ulladulla down to Eden on the South Coast, along the Victorian Border, thence across to Wagga Wagga for a total population of 750,000. Supported by both NSW & ACT Governments, local Shires, Dairy Farmers and Service Clubs, but the major sponsor is the Snowy Scheme with 1,000,000 over 3 years, hence the name. Although Rotary has its emblem on the side for its financial contribution, Len did invite Lions to make a similar donation, as he has to previous Lions Personnel for recognition. He showed a video of the 98 Sydney to Hobart Race (didn't see Frenchy though) and rescues carried out. But a lot of airlifts are carried out from this area, particularly from the Snow fields, and some serious car accidents. Of particular importance is that this helicopter from Canberra can get to the scene in 30 to 45 minutes, THE GOLDEN HOUR – a critical time when medical help is required, where similar services from Sydney would take probably 3 hours. There is a local Friends of Snowy South Care Rep, Gay Epstein is the local Rep and can be contacted if you wish to gain more info or make a donation, which are now TAX DEDUCTIBLE. They are also looking at ways to reduce the need for helicopter rescues or transport, such as training for Snow Borders, who do account for a fair amount of injuries on the snow fields, to keep the Helicopter based in Canberra where it is more readily accessible for this area. The raffle and Sergeants fines resulted in a donation of \$350 to the Helicopter Service.

NEWS:

 **Service Clubs Kids Xmas Party:** again being organised by APEX on 2/12/01. At Ray McDonalds. Adults \$10, children \$15 (includes present from Toyworld). Numbers to Secretary Gordon by 23/11/01, including Names, Ages and Sex of children going (don't want any little boys getting a barbie doll).

 **Cooma Monaro Shire Council:** have extended an open invitation to all volunteers to attend a BBQ in Centennial Park starting at 11am on Saturday 1 December.

 **Next Market Day Sunday 18th November:** Team John Mercer, Dave Libauer, Allan Hall & Patrick Kwan.

ROTARY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Week: 34 members out of 42 = 81% **Visiting Rotarians:** Len Goodman (Canberra City); Gary Nairn (Queanbeyan W); Richard Lawson (Canberra) **Guests:** Too many to name 22 all up

Apologies: Tom B; Phill B; David B; John C; Jim H; Ken P; Neville L; Clarke N; Gordon H

At the combined service dinner there were 108 persons present including guests, 59 from Rotary; 43 from Lions and 6 from Apex.

ROTARY INFORMATION: Mile High Mentors

For more than half a century, a Rotary-sponsored program has helped teach Denver students how to make the right decisions. Denver businesswoman Anna Horvath has known 20 year old Anita Banuelos since she was a toddler. In 1993, when Banuelos was in seventh grade, Horvath had the opportunity to "officially" become her mentor, thanks to a community based Rotary-sponsored Youth Outreach Program called Denver Kids Inc. The Rotarian, Sept. p20.

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