

**NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 19 DECEMBER 2001 Time: 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm**  
**VENUE: MARLBOROUGH MOTEL, 19 MONARO HIGHWAY, COOMA**  
**SPEAKER/TOPIC: Our Christmas Party**  
**Just Enjoy Yourself – Cost \$25 per head.**

**APOLOGIES OR GUESTS:** Please advise Darrell Gaukroger on 6452 3302 by midday of meeting.  
Non-apology & non-attendance means you pay for the meal. *MONDAY*  
Apology, Non-attendance & no make-up means you pay \$2

**SERGEANTS FAX-A-FINE:** Send to Graham French on 64526102

**DECEMBER ROSTER:** *Attendance:* Dave Holgate & Dave Libauer *Property:* Margaret Echarri  
If not at meeting arrange for substitute. At another venue arrange to bring necessary property.






**THOUGHT OF THE WEEK BY:** *Dave Holgate* *Next Week: Mark Revelant*

There is so much good in the worst of us, and so much bad in the best of us, that it ill behoves any of us to talk about the rest of us.

**LAST WEEKS MEETING:**

We had 3 guest speakers. Firstly Debbie Schubert from Burchalls Transport, which has secured the Council tender for collection/disposal of recyclable waste and has containers at Cooma Land fill and other landfill tips in the Shire, in which you can put your recyclable waste. The Cooma landfill is collected every 10 days & others every 14 days and transported to recycling centres. Debbie is responsible for educating and promoting the community in the Shire. There will be a container at the Shire office after Christmas for recyclable Christmas wrapping and cards to be dropped off. Barry Price is from Visy Recycling, who advised that 1.3 millions tons of plastic is recycled each year, and a new plastics recycling plant has recently been opened in Melbourne, which was shown on the video. Visy have got recycling plants in every state, and several overseas. They also send 50 ton of plastic film wrap to China annually for the making of plastic carry bags, like you get at Woollies, because they make them much cheaper than Australia can. One of the biggest problems with recycling is the cost of transport, hoping the Government can do something to assist – re-activate the state railway?? The third guest speaker was Les Sutcliffe, also a former employee of Visy, who gave an insight into his dealings with Visy, then he was supposed to move a vote of thanks, which he eventually did, and presented the certificates with a bit of prodding (Pres. Ask, please don't use former employees for a vote of thanks in the future).

**NEWS:**

-  **Alan Hall:** has been to Canberra and Brian Goldstraw thanked all those who gave goods for relief in Fiji, they have been loaded and are on the way.
- AUS/NZ Twin Exchange Program:** has not been resolved, but are looking at it and possible alternatives.
-  **Kamoto Scholarships:** there has been a meeting and two candidates have been accepted. These will be presented on Australia Day for broader community awareness.
-  **The Car Show BBQ at the Cooma Showground:** Rotary have received \$500 for their participation. Also the Hospital Fete in the Park, we have made a donation of \$500 to the Hospital being our Profits on the day.
-  **6/1/01:** BBQ at John & Heather Jacoby's to say welcome back to an old exchange student, Patricia, and also farewell to Tony DeTommaso. Please advise John or Heather if you are going and guests ASAP.
-  **Subs:** Members who pay their fees half-yearly THEY ARE NOW DUE. Please pay by mid January 2002.

**ROTARY INFORMATION:**

**Attendance Last Week:** 30 + 1make-up = 31 members out of 42 = 74% **Guests:** Debbie Schubert, Barry Price & Louise Bak (Club) **Apologies:** Col A; Geoff B; David B; Robyn C; Patrick K; Wolfgang L; Brain L; Ken P; Neville L; Mark R; Steve S; Richard W **Leave of Absence:** Phil B, make-ups (Des T) Hospital Fete

**ROTARY INFORMATION: Opening new doors for new members**

In Africa, the average Rotary Club has fewer than 24 members. The continent likely faces more obstacles to recruitment than does any other region - devastating poverty, was, the legacy of colonialism, the impact of AIDS and other diseases, and yet, Rotarians there are successfully expanding membership. The Rotarian. Oct p.10.

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