

Just lay the glasses down in front of me. I can drink them!!

Is this what Marco is really saying? Or is it just the expression? Picture by courtesy of the Channel 9 News Team at the combined Services Club Dinner.

SURPRISE, SURPRISE THE FIRST QUESTION of our guest speaker was from Rotarian Geoff Bowland!!!! (It also happened at the Rotary District Conference where Geoff came first!)

A fellow bought a new Mercedes and was out on an interstate road for a nice evening drive. The top was down, the breeze was blowing through his hair and he decided to open her up. As the needle jumped up to 80mph he suddenly saw a flashing red and blue light behind him. "There ain't no way they can catch a Mercedes," he thought to himself and opened her up further. The needle hit 90, 100, 110 and finally 120 with the lights still behind him.

"What in hell am I doing?" he thought and pulled over. The cop came up to him, took his license without a word and examined it and the car. "I've had a tough shift and this is my last pull over. I don't feel like more paperwork so if you can give me an excuse for your driving that I haven't heard before you can go!"

"Last week my wife ran off with a cop," the man said, "and I was afraid you were trying to give her back!"

"Have a nice night", said the officer.

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of the

# **Rotary Club of Cooma**

"Rotary Gateway to the Snowies"



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# NEWSREADER SPEAKS

Last weeks meeting was the annual combined Services Club dinner, hosted by Lions this year at the Ex Services Club. There were 113 in attendance of which 50 were Rotarians or their guests. The Guest Speaker was Peter Leonard, a 60 year old news reader with WIN TV /Canberra. He gave us an insight into the news presentation and background action.

He said male news readers are retained as they age, but female presenters must be younger and attractive. He gave us on overview on the preparation of the newsreader, with virtually hidden earphones, mikes, Auto Cues and scripts for the reader & the lighting. Also for items to make the 6pm news they have to be recorded before 2pm, after that it is too late. He identified how politicians ensure their releases met this criteria, gave examples of Bob Carr, the Prime Minister and Peter Costello who uses slogans to get his message across. He then commented on how John Howard prepares for TV presentation with special glasses, hair cut and eyebrow trims, as well as seen walking to get the fitness message across. On televised Parliament Question time he said to look at the Politicians behind the leader, well presented persons who look good on TV. He commented on how TV also likes to show attractive people in their presentations and gave the example of seeing The Corby & Leslie girls regularly on TV but not the unattractive drug mules who are in the same area and similar charges. Peter did say that unfortunately WIN TV in Canberra presents more Canberra news items than the Monaro Goulburn areas who are part of their coverage. Peter said it was a privilege to present the news to our homes.

#### **Duty Roster – NOVEMBER/DECEMBER**

Attendance:

NOVEMBER: Shirley Gallagher & Alan Hall DECEMBER: Julie Johnson, Wolfgang Laub

Meeting Preparation/Property

NOVEMBER: Patrick Kwan & Sabine Laub DECEMBER: Richard Lawson & Dave Libauer

Be early, if not at a meeting arrange a substitute. If meeting held at another venue arrange to bring property.

Markets –

**NOVEMBER 20th.** Robbyn Crooks, John Jacoby (C'van) Dave Holgate (BBQ), Heather Jacoby, Brian Jeffries

**DECEMBER 18th**. Robbyn Crooks, Les Sutcliffe, (C"van), Tony Strong (BBQ), Julie Johnson, Margaret Echarri

NOTE: Members rostered on and not able to attend are to make arrangements with another member to take their place. Those nominated to tow the caravan or chuck wagon are to meet Robbyn at the Rotary shed no later than 8am. Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.

### **BIRTHDAY GREETINGS & CONGRATULATIONS**

The following will celebrate the anniversary of an important event over the next week This is twice to remind them of their big day.

We wish them all the best for a happy day!

Tuesday 1st November – David Epstein

Monday 7th November – Jan Sutcliffe

Tuesday 8th November – Ashley Constance

### WESTON CREEK PRESENTATION

Rotarians from Weston Creek in Canberra attended our Annual Service Club Dinner and presented a cheque toward the Kemabolo water project to Peter Davis. The cheque for \$750 was a great gesture from their Club and greatly appreciated by Peter and the club in general. Many thanks Weston Creek.

**HARTLEY CHALLENGE BIKE RIDE** from Canberra to Charlottes Pass is again to be run on 25-16-27th November. Should you wish to participate, see Dave Holgate for further info or entry into the ride.

**PAKISTANI EARTHQUAKE APPEAL** attracted alot of attention with the auction run by Darrell with the coins donated to the Club. The auction raised \$750 for the appeal.

PERSONALISED COOMA ROTARY CLUB APRONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE. These can be personalised with your Christian name on the bib. Available in both standard or cobbler style. Price only \$20. Order through John G.

### **NEXT MEETING:**

### WEDNESDAY 9th November, 2005

*Venue: Cooma Thai Restaurant (Old BankCafe)* Apologies to Darrell Please – Phone 6452 3302

## **Outbound GYE Students**

will give a short presentation

together with Ashley C and John M on Counselling

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK by Des T

Always drink champagne after a battle, in victory you deserve it , in defeat you need it

Next week: Shirley G

### **ATTENDANCE**

34 + 6 makeups = 40 out of 46 = 86.9% (Almost Port)

VSITING ROTARIANS: John Green, Anne Lomax, David Edwards & Ken Riordon (Weston Creek) Mick Newling (DG Elect, (Yass),

GUESTS: Maree (Kevin D), Irene (Steve S), Jan (Les S), John Mooney, Christina (Wolfgang), Colin Mould (Cheryl C-M), Bill & Nola Moore (Darrell), Alison

(Dave H), Nola Newling & Freja (Club)

MAKEUPS: Heather & John J x 2 (NZ) Ed x 2 (DG's Conference)

### GYE EXCHANGE WEEKEND COOMA 26 & 27 November

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the GYE Weekend. This is the same weekend as the Motorfest, so we will be needing more hands to the wheel than usual. The Club arranges the morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea on the Saturday and Sunday. WE NEED SIX WILLING BBQers/bottle washers each day.

Volunteers so far are Gordon Haylock, John & Heather Jacoby, Steve & Irene Shirvington & John Gill. Call Steve and tell him what time you are available.

### **HOME HOSTS WANTED 25th NOVEMBER**

We need members to home host GYE Students on the night of November 25. Volunteers to date are: Sutcliffes, Dunnes & Shirvingtons.

Robbyn Crooks announced the Motor Fest to be held on 26th November. Cooma Rotary would be joining with the other service clubs assisting with the catering. Members who have volunteered please remember your rostered times ROTARY WHISKY CAKES FOR CHRISTMAS. Cakes and Plum Puddings are now able to be ordered. For further detail see Robbyn C and take your money.