

Duty Roster – JUNE / JULY

Attendance:

JULY: Tony Strong, Col Adams

AUGUST: Monica Alcock, Tom Bellgard

Meeting Preparation/Property

JULY: Geoff Bowland, Howard Brown

AUGUST: Marianne Burgess, John Clarke

Fellowship: Margaret Echarri & Claire Neumeyer,

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

PLEASE NOTE
Change of Roster

Markets –

JULY 16th: Col Adams (BBQ), Brian Jeffries, Alan Hall (C'van) +1 more!

AUGUST 20th: Tom Bellgard (BBQ), Howard Brown (C'Van), Cheryl Mould, John Clarke

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 be at the Rotary shed no later than 8am. ENSURE YOU GET THE KEY TO THE SHED FROM ROBBYN PRIOR TO THE EVENT SO THE EQUIPMENT CAN BE SET UP EARLY. If you are unable to tow the van or chuck wagon PLEASE ASK SOME ONE WHO CAN, or advise Robbyn before the event.

Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.



WHAT IS DAVE DOING REALLY – SLEEPING?

No, Dave would never do that, he is simply giving the new President a rev for his error of omission in forgetting the Skate Park report!!

ATTENDANCE

41 members plus 1 make up =42 out of 50 = 84%

GUESTS: Pam Mansfield-Eastinay (Geoff B) Yvonne (John M) Christina, Esther, Annita & Rafael Lefevre (Wolfgang) Dr Maggie Jamieson & Freja (Club)

APOLOGIES: Chris A, Howard B, Marianne B, David B, Peter D, Jim H, Julie J, Kippila N, Claire N.

LEAVE: Liz A,

MAKEUPS: Kevin D

Des T & John G (Putting the *BULL* into *BULLETIN*)

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

of the

Rotary Club of Cooma

“Rotary – Gateway to the Snowies”



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PAUL HARRIS PRESENTATION AT DISTRICT ASSEMBLY



The District Officers bestowed the honour of a Paul Harris Fellow on Yvonne Mercer for her efforts and dedication in assisting husband John during his year as the District Treasurer. This was a really great surprise to both John and Yvonne. After the presentation to Yvonne, John was awarded the distinctive award of Rotarian of the Year for the District 9710.

Pictured above after the awards are (left to right) Past President Kevin Dunne, Yvonne, husband John Mercer and President John Gill. .

FREJA BOWS OUT GRACEFULLY . .

The time has come, unfortunately says Freja, to return to her homeland, parents and friends in Denmark. Her counselor, Monica, presented Freja with a memento of her stay in Cooma. The gift, a CD with the pictorial moments of Freja's stay and activities in Cooma.



Freja then presented a banner from her sponsor Club to the Cooma Club. In response President John presented Freja with the Cooma club banner to present on her return to Denmark.

It was a sad occasion as Freja has been a very lively exchange student and has won the hearts of host parents as well as the Rotarians in the Club.



Freja seen here presenting the banner from her sponsor Club to President John.



Monica presents Freja with a CD of photos taken during her stay in Cooma

GUEST SPEAKER

The guest speaker was Dr Maggie Jamieson, Executive Director of Great Southern Area Health Services (GSAHS) a position she has held for 18 months. It covers an area from the south coast to Hillston in the Central West of NSW comprising 43 health services. She identified 3 main areas addressed Service Planning, Population and Health. The way forward being for Wagga Wagga Base Hospital to be developed as venue for specialist treatment, even though Queanbeyan hospital is being upgraded by 55 extra beds. She also commented on what she called aged care ghettos by developers praying on our aging population (Not our Sir William Hudson Memorial or Ullambie Hostels) Some of the changes she identified were that 10 years ago a hip replacement was 12 days in hospital now its 41/2 days, key hole surgery and video conferencing with a specialist, rather than personal visits. Dr Maggie did comment on our aging population going up in coastal areas, particularly the North Coast, which has pushed the coast of housing up, making it harder for younger people to settle there. The ageing population also has an effect on the services required. Also the aging staff, and commented on Batemans Bay where the average of nurses 57. She also said it was harder to get medical practitioners into the country'. The cost of a medical degree from Sydney University is about \$100,000 and takes a long time to pay off, where as a similar IT degree cost can be reconciled in about 3 years. In response to questions she said there is no truth in the rumor of a hospital for Jindabyne or extra beds for Cooma. We also use the medical services in ACT, being so close, but this is substantially costly due to the Cross Border Agreement. The Cooma population is expected to be stable over the next 5 years, not many of our fellow Rotarians considering to join Ed and Jan down the coast and increase the average of population down there.



Robbyn presented the Award of Appreciation to our guest speaker, Dr Maggie Jamieson

DISTRICT CHANGE OVER 2005 - 06



Members of the Cooma Rotary Club travelled to Yass on Sunday for the District Changeover and Induction of DG Mick Newling. Pictured here (from L to R) President John Gill, DG Mick Newling, Graham French and Past President Keviin Dunne



President John Gill with DG Mick Newling and Graham French at the Yass Changeover Luncheon on Sunday.



IMMIGRATION FOOTBRIDGE

This is a major project being undertaken to build a footbridge across Lake Burley Griffen in Canberra. It is planned that as many names as possible will be recorded historically on the structure which will become part of the history of Australia and Canberra..

If you or your family would like to have the family name engraved on this historic hand rail go to immigrationbridge.com.au or contact Dugald Mitchell for more information.

RESOLUTIONS SESSION AT CONFERENCE

Any club wishing to put forward a proposal for amendment to RI or District legislation must have the submission in the hands of the District Governor by 26/7/06. Details of any submission should go through the Board for ratification and recommendation

PRESIDENTIAL CITATIONS

20 District 9710 clubs, including our club, received this award this year

MAN'S BEST FRIEND



Most Rotarians know Darrell's dog, Biff. Unfortunately, Biff has passed away. His departure from this life was most sudden and happened while Darrell was overseas at the RI Conference. Biff was everywhere Darrell was.

They were almost inseparable. He would "drive" the powerful red ute with Darrell, go into the shops (if Darrell would let him). He was without doubt one of man's best friends. Darrell we will miss Biff too.



NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 12th July, 2006

PROGRAMME:

Planning: Through 2006 – 07

DIRECTORS

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK –Alyson Hulley-Jeffries

In a moment of doubt, silence is the most eloquent response

Next Week: KEVIN DUNNE



Invitation to

MORNING TEA
with

The Hon. JOHN HOWARD MP
Prime Minister of Australia

Members are invited to attend the Cooma Ex-Services Club to have Morning Tea with the Prime Minister, the Hon. John Howard, on Wednesday 19th July at 10.15.

It is essential that those persons interested advise within the next few days as the RSVP date is the 12th July.

Please advise Darrell as a matter of urgency as places are limited and names of all guests must be advised in writing to the organisers.

MEETING PICS AND JOTTINGS

**Rotary Club of Cooma's
New President
takes the Chair for his first meeting.**



Newly elected, John Gill chaired his first meeting as President on Wednesday night, with the aid of his Sargeant, Les Sutcliffe who made the night most enjoyable with his Sargeant's session. Les left little doubt in everyones mind that the fine session would bring in some added coin to the treasury.

Laws of the Universe

Law of the Workshop: Any tool, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner of the area.

Brown's Law: If the shoe fits, it's ugly.