

# The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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## MEETINGS:

We meet every Wednesday

6 for 6:30pm at

Dodds Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma



# Weekly Bulletin



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**THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:** 42 out of 53 MEMBERS = 79%

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** nil

**GUESTS:** Katie (Chris A), Justin Kok, Evan Hart & Michael (Lis A), Carol (Tony S) Roger Norton (John V), Helen (Frenchie), Nattapan (Club)

**APOLOGIES:**

**LEAVE:**

**MAKEUPS:**

**WE ALSO MISSED:**

## Duty Roster January & February

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Next Week— John Jacoby	Claire Neumeyer & Margaret Echarri	January-Geoff Bowland & Colin Mould February-John Clarke

Property	Introduction	Markets
January-Allan Hall & Kym Lloyd	Katrin Hackney	January-Lou M. BBQ, David E. C'van, Prasan S, Des T.
February-John Clarke	Vote of Thanks Heather Jacoby	February-Darrel G. BBQ, Colin M. C'van, Cheryl M. Tony Slater, Alyson HJ. PA

## SOME SIMPLE RULES ABOUT ROSTERS

**GENERAL:** Members rostered on and not able to attend are to make arrangements with another member to take their place.

**MARKETS:** 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 John Mooney 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 John Mooney before the event. Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.

**ATTENDANCE:** For normal meetings YOU must advise Darrell (6452 3302) by midday Wednesday if not attending or bringing a guest. If you don't apologise then you must pay the dinner fee. Special meetings may require your apology or guest advice earlier.

## John Mercer on Polo Flat Air Park

Last weeks guest speaker was Rotarian John Mercer, aided by Liz & Michael Apps, Justin Kok & Evan Hart the subject Polo Flat Recreation Airpark Project. John commenced with some history of Polo Flat named after the 1800's Banjo Paterson's poem; on Gebung Polo Club, 1920 Kingsford Smith landing on the site, 1950 SMA Hydro Electricity Authority airport and 1998 buying it to realize their dream. and have run the airport



John presents

for pilot training, including disabled led pilots, and of course the Wheelies with Wings of which we are well aware. Recreational Aircraft Centre was looking for an area to relocate as the privatization of the Canberra Airport, developments and proposed extension to an International Airport would not make it compatible with recreational and training planes. alternative sites were considered including Williamsdale, but Polo Flat was considered more suitable, due to its present infrastructure, it is an industrial development area, industry diversification and was already being used by the Apps as an operational airfield, and training school infrastructure, with local engineering and fabrication support, strategic position and nearby Cooma Township, community and council support. But the best aspect was the 3 plans to expand Polo Flat with Evan Hart, CEO of Budgie Air, informing the club



The new Rotary caravan landed outside Dodds hotel on Wednesday night and was open for inspection. Tours with the personal touch were led by Dave Holgate. Dave is seen here showing of the acquisition.

## Issue

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### Items of special interest:-

- January-Rotary awareness month
- February-World Understanding
- March-Polio eradication Month
- April-Rotary Magazine Month
- May-Planning Month

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## Air Park continued



Tony S thanks the Air Crew

that the company will be assembling theft Slovakian made Phantom and Shadow planes at Polo Flat, This will no doubt provide more employment ion the area, attract tourists and persons using the recreational airstrip. Michael Apps hopes to take delivery of his new Areo Phantom plane for the Easter Airshow. John Mercer said this is a 3rd great project for the BEC to be involved in since his time at the helm, the others being Monbeef and Cooma Call Centre.

## Katie's back

It was great to see Katie Adams back in Cooma. Katie journeyed for some 24 hours to arrive back in Sydney on Sunday night. Speaking fluent French and not showing any sign of jet-lag, Katie was the centre of pre-dinner attention with members expressing their delight to see her at the meeting. Katie spent much of her time relating stories on her year away on Rotary Global Youth Exchange to members. Keep your eyes open for advice of Katie's impending presentation on her year in France.



## Thought of the Week—by Steve Shirvington

*"An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind."*

## Member Happenings

### Wedding Anniversaries

5 February— Des & Judy Trute, Jim & Mary Hatfield  
14 February—Claire & Hans Neumeyer

### Birthdays

10 February—Gordon Haylock  
8 February—Doug Alcock, Michael Apps



The Club extends our best wishes to you all on your special day.



## Special awards presentation



Mayor Roger presents Community Service Awards to Rotary club members

Mayor Roger Norton attended the meeting and presented Certificates of Appreciation to Susan Mitchell (via Dugald), Heather and John Jacoby for their service to the Community, well done and well deserved.

## Special guest appearance



Members were excited to see that "**Colourful Club Identity**" Graham French returned looking fit and well at Wednesday night's meeting. Graham is seen at left with Des T. and Tom B. inspecting our new caravan.

Special thanks must go to John Mooney, Dave Holgate and Dave Libauer who journeyed to Junee last weekend to collect it. Members can make a trip to this weekend's Markets to see the van in full flight.

## News Snippets

**SOLAR POWER** for the Jindabyne Surf Lifesavers Club house. Last week Peter Davis started a volunteer program for this and the club members support was \$323.50.

## Next week's guest speaker: TBA

**TOPIC: Australia Day and the Timewalk's 20th**