

DUTY ROSTER – JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Attendance:

FEBRUARY: Dave Libauer & Lou Moore

MARCH: John Mercer & Katrin Hackney

Meeting Preparation/Property

FEBRUARY: Graham French & Robbyn Crooks

MARCH: *Tony Slater & Richard Warner*

Fellowship: Margaret Echarri & Claire Neumeyer, with power to add

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

Markets –

FEBRUARY: Ashley Constance BBQ; Sarah Woodhouse, David Epstein C'Van;
Patrick Kwan, (With power to add)

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.

**PLEASE NOTE
CHANGES**

NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 31st JANUARY, 2007

Guests speaker: Katrin Hackney

Topic: MY STORY

Introduction: Elaine Mooney – Thanks: Tony Slater

Apologies to Darrell by 10 am PLEASE - Phone 6452 3302

PLEASE RESPOND DIRECTLY TO DARRELL ON 6452 3302

ATTENDANCE 24th January

41 members out of 52 = 78.8%

GUESTS: Hanna & Emily McKenzie-Kay (Club), Carol (Tony S)
Dominic (John M),

APOLOGIES: Marianne Burgess, John Clark, Kappila N, Richard Warner.

LEAVE: Liz A, (Sick), Les Sutcliffe,

WE ALSO MISSED: Sarah Woodhouse.

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100 YEARS OLD AND GOING STRONG!!



Rotarian Claire Nuemeyer's aunt enjoyed her 100th birthday celebration and had the honour of having a star named after her, arranged through the Sydney Observatory.

An enjoyable luncheon was the highlight of the day with "This is Your Life" composed and read by Claire and 100 roses arriving from the Retirement Village Committee along with messages from the Queen, Governor General, Prime Minister Howard and members of Parliament. Three generations of family attended the luncheon plus Aunt's oldest friend who she has known for seventy years.

GUEST SPEAKER

Emily McKenzie-Kay who completed school at St. Pats, graduated as a primary school teacher, and after seeing Gemma Rice's Australian Story, decided she wanted to teach at Gemma's St. Jude's School, in Arushin Tanzanair. but first had to raise the \$15,000 to be volunteer there. But she done it and this school has 700 students kinder to year 5, aged 5 to 12(but more likely 2&1/2 to 17.) Parents really want their kids to get an an education so they can work to support the rest of the family, one student is only 6, but his father has a few wives and he has 18 brothers and sisters. Emily explained the student selection process, only 1 student per family, but checks have to be made as other children are placed with relatives to try and get them enrolled also. The overheads showed the students well dressed, and looked OK, their uniforms are supplied, and they are supplied with a meal at school, maize and rice meal, with meat once a week.

Emily started teaching art to year 5 students, but she had to get her own paper, paints and resources to do this. Eventually she got to teach music, her favorite, she taught traditional music, even had to make her own drums, from dead animal skins(which were a bit on the nose) Most of the children are named according to their religion, so a lot of names stated with God, but the children are directed by their parents and elders what to say and think, and have no opinions of their own. St Jude's school has many sponsors, including RAWCS and Rotary clubs, who have donated rooms and buildings. But one of her students Alfa JUNA has really captured Emily's heart. He had a fractured femur, was in hospital for 4 days before receiving treatment., then in traction (a bag of rocks attached to a screw) for 2&1/2 months, but the traction was to heavy and the bone didn't join, She had a shock when she visited the hospital, 2 patients to a bed, no sheets, blankets or pillows, and food must be provided and bought in daily by his family. So she had him transferred to a private hospital and treated by a specialist. She was visiting to keep his students studies up so he wouldn't be expelled. She is now trying to have him transported to Australia so he can be properly treated and walk again, which he apparently doesn't think he will ever do.

She also told us of another patient who has had his leg amputated three times each time higher up as the previous amputation was not a success. At the school she introduced a traditional Culture day which she is very proud to have done

She told us of her living conditions, one room flat, with a tap, bucket and shared toilet, but in Africa the women do all the washing, cooking and house work (not a bad idea fellows) She also informed us of her reception as a white person, in a black community, her treatment and their expectations. But hopes to return and carry on her work there.

Pictures on centre spread –

Reporter: Des Trute

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK By Heather J

He who thinks by the inch, and takes by the yard, deserves to be kicked by the boot.

NEXT WEEK John J

SKATEBOARD PARK

Dave Holgate told of assembling the sails at the skate park and having them fall down. After arranging for further technical advice the sails were duly erected and are now safe. The work has progressed well under Dave's direction and the Club is well pleased with the result to date. Congratulations Dave and thanks a million for all you have done.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

Will be held in Cooma on 5-6 May 2007. Please keep this week end free as we will need assistance from most members. Contact Kevin Dunne if you are able to offer assistance.

MEMBERSHIP

Sadly a lot of Rotarians think that "someone" else will invite "someone" to join their Rotry Club, and in a lot of Clubs that is what happens. It is left to two or three people to invite "someone" along to a club meeting. . . . Not everyone is going to invite "someone" to a meeting for many reasons. *(extract from the DG's newsletter)*

If you find it hard to invite "someone" why not ask Dugald or another member of the Membership Committee to follow up the lead you may have. I am only too certain that they would take the time to follow through any leads given. Why not try it?

Magic has often been thought of as the art of making dreams come true; the art of realising visions.

Yet before we can bring birth to the vision we have to see it

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Above: Emily as she addresses the assemble members at the Dinner Meeting on Wednesday evening.

Right: Rotarian Claire Neumeyer introduces the guests speaker in her normal eloquent manner



Above: Long time friend of the family, Peter Davis thanks our guest speaker, Emily, and also gave a small insight into Emily's family history.

HANNA ENJOYING SYDNEY

Hanna, presently in Sydney with the Kevin Dunne and his family enjoying the delights of Sydney.

When she returns will be with her next host family Sabine and David Scarlett in Berridale.

KATIE ADAMS ARRIVES IN FRANCE

Katie Adams, has sent emails to father Chris and Kim. Having arrived in France she was given a bit of a tour of Paris.

She has started school, but has to get up at 6.30AM to be at School from 7am to 5pm. There are 800 students in the class room all day (a bit bigger than Cooma) with plenty of tables .

THE BULLETIN

The Editors would appreciate any items of news that YOU deem worthy of printing in YOUR Bulletin. Items can be emailed or handwritten and handed in to either Des or John before the deadline of Thursday 5pm. Why not put pen to paper or email it to ccprint@acr.net.au.

"If you can imagine it you can create it. If you can dream it, you can become it"

– William Arthur Ward

I AM SURE ANYONE WITH KIDS WILL APPRECIATE THIS ONE:



PROPOSED MEMBERSHIP FLOW CHART

