

## DUTY ROSTER – MARCH/APRIL

### **Attendance:**

**MAY:** Darrell Gaukroger & Marco Revelant

**JUNE:** Julie Johnston & Dugald Mitchell

### **Meeting Preparation/Property**

**MAY:** Jim Hatfield & Pamela Mansfield Eastway

**JUNE:** Patrick Kwan & Wolfgang Laub

**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.

**PLEASE NOTE  
CHANGES**

### **Markets –**

**MAY 20th:** Maryanne Burgess, Kevin Dunne BBQ, Dugald Mitchell, Tony Slater (C'Van)

**JUNE 17th:** Graham French (BBQ), Les Sutcliffe (C'van), Darrell Gaukroger, Colin Mould

**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.

## **NEXT MEETING: Cooma Thai Restaurant**

**WEDNESDAY 9th MAY, 2007**

**Guest Speaker: Bill Fogerty**

**Topic: Battlefield Tours & Adaminaby Museum**

**Intro: Colin Mould Thanks: Alan Hall**

Apologies to Darrell by 10 am PLEASE - Phone 6452 3302

**PLEASE RESPOND DIRECTLY TO DARRELL ON 6452 3302**

### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK -- Peter Davis**

If you are not living on the edge, you are taking up too much space.

NEXT WEEK: Richard Lawson

Bulletin by John & Des

## **WEEKLY NEWSLETTER**

of the

## **Rotary Club of Cooma**

*"Rotary – Gateway to the Snowies"*



9th May, 2007

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## **GUEST SPEAKER - JIM ARROLD**



LAST WEEKS MEETING the guest speaker was Jim Arrol, OAM, who spoke on "Cooma in the good old days" Jim was born in Cooma in 1924 (makes him a year younger than his introducer, Rob Simms) and can be regarded as a local as his mother's family, the Goodwins, settled in Jerrangle in 1841 and his father here in 1849 He was one of 9 children.

The biggest industry in that time was sheep & cattle farming.

His father was a drover, with a team of 8/9, and would be away 8/9 months droving stock from Cooma to the Riverina & Gippsland. There were 2 schools in Cooma the Brigadeene Convent, which was also a boarding school, and the Public School, which Jim went to and got his Leaving certificate, before joining the Services. He gave us a good overview of his schooling, in particular their vegetable gardens that supplied vegies to the Hospital, and experimental crop growing behind the hospital, where farmers bought in their draught horses to plough their plots, they sewed, hand watered and harvested these crops by scythes. They also had an orchard. The school was also included in the National Fitness campaign from Sydney that saw 3 instructors sent here to run it and included volley ball, other games and dancing, he later saw the same dancing program displayed in Sydney. There was also a Police Citizens Boys club in the old Gaol. that Jim attended 3

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## GUEST SPEAKER CONTINUED

nights a week, even though he had to have a cold shower before he went home. In those times the town had 5/6 general stores, several hotels and a liquor store, a 9 hole golf course, and a supreme Polo team that won the Dudley cup, hence Polo Flat got its name, and Banjo Patersons poem on the Geebung Polo Club in 1892 Street lights were installed, 1912 Water reticulation, 1922 Electricity, 1936 Sewerage 1937 ambulances. Jim said that these assets were helpful in getting the Snowy Scheme here and saw the population increase from 2,200 to about 8,000. But Jim said he always remembers three words by one of his teachers

"If you want to be successful in life and business you need  
**ASPIRATION, DEDICATION AND CONFIDENCE"**

NEWS District Assembly was a great success thanks to the preparation by Kevin Dunne, and all who assisted on the weekend, many thanks, there were over 200 attended,

KEMABOLO WATER PROJECT Peter Davis advised Western Creek Rotary club have donated another \$750 to this project.

EXCHANGE STUDENT Hanna leaves this week on her 3 week trekaway.

RED SHIELD APPEAL Dave Holgate needs volunteers to collect on 20/21 /05.07 If you are able to help please see Dave H and let him know.

### What are a woman's 4 favorite animals?

A Mink in the wardrobe, a Jaguar in the garage, a Tiger in the bed and an Ass to pay for them all. Contributed.

### ATTENDANCE 2nd May

37 + 6 makeups = 43 members out of 54 = 79.6%

GUESTS: Hanna Jim Arrol (Club),

APOLOGIES: Monica A, David B, Ashley C, Robbyn C, Jim H, Kym L, Colin & Cheryl M, Sarah W, Sabine S. Liz A.

LEAVE Marianne B. Graham F. Julie Johnston, Tony Slater. Claire N, Kapilla N.

MAKE UPS MAKEUPS: David B, Ashley C, Robbyn C, Colin & Cheryl M, Sabine S. (District Assembly).



## CONGRATULATIONS

Friday 11th – Maree & Kevin Dunne – Wedding Anniversary

Tuesday 15th May – Joo-siew & Patrick Kwan – Wedding Anniversary

Tuesday 15th May – Narelle & Peter Davis – Wedding Anniversary

Thursday 17th – Tony Strong Birthday

Saturday 19th – Alyson Hulley-Jeffries Birthday

*The Club extends best wishes to you all on your Special Day*



*John Mooney thanks our guest speaker and presents him with a Rotary pen and Certificate*

### How observant can you be?

*Give this PLENTY of thought, and don't cheat!*

*I could not figure it out at all until seeing the answer.*

*See If You Can Figure Out What These Words Have In Common*

Banana ..... Dresser      Grammar      Potato

Revive ..... Assess      Uneven

*Are You Peeking Or Have You Already Given Up? Give It Another Try.... You'll kick yourself when you discover the answer which is on another page.*

*Go back and look at them again; think hard.*

*Hope You Didn't Cheat. This Is Cool. Answer is on another page!*



# District Assembly 2007

## Cooma May 2007



Our talented booking receptionists were female charmers, Cheryll and Robbyn

"Want directions? I can tell you where to go" says our signman, Dave and "assistant".



Our Directors of proceedings and parking in their distinctive jackets which were a highlight of the weekend. Making it very easy for the visitors to recognise officials.

Left: Members of our hardworking team who planned the weekend so successfully



Kevin Dunne announces the proceedings on Saturday

Right: Bernie introduces the programme and welcomes the incoming Directors



Above: President John Gill welcomes the Rotarians to Cooma  
Below: The assembled Rotarians as the Assembly commences





# Pictures from the Assembly 2007 in cooma



Left:  
More sedately by the Dunne's  
and the Holgates.

Below:  
The Mercer's in Fine Style

Above: The official table.

Right:  
A group of the revellers  
enjoying the night.



A new member?



# Assembly Night Entertainment 2007



Dancing the night away



Hannah plays Chopan



General view of the diners at the Multi  
Function Centre on Saturday night



Darrell and a bunch of the guys hamming it up



Thank heavens it is all over!!!



DGE Bernie introduces the entertainment

## ASSEMBLY COOMA STYLE 2007



The members of Lions who ably looked after the liquid refreshments



Let's Celebrate the party's over!!



Hanna in her you beaut jacket at the MFC.



MC for the night Darrell who entertained the group