

The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: Last meeting (Not reported)

GUESTS: (From Memory) Alison (Dave H) Nattapan (Club), Bruce (Steve S) Mavis W. Maree, (Kevin D), Jan (Les S) & the Woodhouse offspring.

APOLOGIES: (Not reported)

LEAVE Monica A, Peter D. (Not reported)

MEETINGS:

We meet every Wednesday

6 for 6:30pm at

Dodds Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma



Weekly Bulletin



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Duty Roster September & October

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Next Week-Marco R	Claire Neumeyer & Margaret Echarri	September-Colin Mould & Sarah Woodhouse October- Coll Adams & Prasan Sharp

Property	Introduction	Markets
September-Kapila N. & Richard L.	Dugald Mitchell	October-Dave H. BBQ, Ashley C. C'van, Kapila N, Julie J, John Gill PA
October- Chris Adams & Ashley Constance	Vote of Thanks Darrell G.	November-Tony S. BBQ, David B. C'van, Elaine M. Kym L. John Gill 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.

Guest Speaker Nattapan Tansira

Guest speaker: Nattapan Tansira talked about his family, his town and Songkhai Province located 1500 km from Bangkok. In past times Nattapan's home province was a meeting place for traders for sale items and exchange of produce etc. It has abundant tourist attractions, many historical and ancient architectural buildings. He spoke of the bullfighting with two bulls trained to fight each other in place as opposed to the traditional Spanish bullfights we are familiar with. They even had doves in singing contests. Nattapan described traditional Thai festivals which include throwing of rose scented water over each other, great for the unsuspecting in the warm conditions, however being so warm the water soon dried he said. Nattapan used PowerPoint to show slides depicting the various attractive scenery and ancient buildings in his home province. Les Sutcliffe thanked Nattapan for his talk and included some of the humorous happenings as host family and Nattapan get to know each other.



Nattapan's address

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Items of special interest:-

- September-Youth activities month
- October -Vocational service month
- November-Rotary Foundation month
- December-Family month
- January-Rotary awareness month

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Don't Forget next week is

BREDBO

Katrin kicks back!!



It wasn't just the aroma of our hosts excellent dinner that was pervading the air on meeting night. Katrin is shown in **fully relaxed** mode listening intently to Nattapan's discourse and viewing the slide show.

Let's see what the Sergeant can make out of this in his next session.



Kapila tells all

My full name is Raghu Kapila Nanayakkara but I dropped using Raghu in Kindergarten after a nasty boy made a nick name out of that. I was born and bred in Colombo, which is the capital of Sri Lanka. My father was an Ayurvedic Physician and my mother was a house wife. I have one elder sister and one elder brother who lives in Australia and a younger sister living in New Zealand. I was the last to migrate from my family. I was married to Sandya on an arranged marriage in 1982 and have a son Budhima and daughter Dulani. Sandya now works at Cooma North Pre-School after completing her Diploma in Children Services. Budhima is at ANU in his third year and he was the captain and the dux in 2004 at Monaro High. Dulani is now in year 10 at Monaro High. After migrating to Australia in mid 1990, I joined Snowy Hydro and since then working as an Electrical Engineer. I am presently working in Strategic Engineering group. While working for Snowy in 1994 I completed a post graduate diploma in Engineering. I am a very keen cricket follower and like to listen to SL Sinhalese semi-classical music for relaxation. I used to play badminton and indoor cricket. I now do a little bit of walking and cycling. Take every opportunity to meet my SL friends in Sydney and Canberra to have a good time after a couple of scotches.

Why I joined Rotary: I was really impressed by what Ed (Chenery) was doing in Rotary. For sometime I was thinking about how I can contribute back to the community and when Howard invited me to join I didn't hesitate.



Thought of the Week—by John Jacoby

Be kind to everybody because everybody has problems too

Member Happenings

Wedding Anniversaries

Friday, 22 September-Julie J & Alan M

Tuesday, 26 September-Alan & Catherine D.

Birthdays

Monday, 25 September-Darrell G
Tuesday, 10 October-Sabine S & Richard L.

Monday, 2 October-Helen F



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



Friendly Fellows



Sarah Does the Introductions

Les does the vote of thanks

A big day at Sunday's Rotary High Country Markets

News Snippets

SUNDAY'S MARKETS: Gross income \$2,473 less expenses of \$714 gave a bottom line of \$1,759. Well done to John and his world class team.

WHALE WATCHING: Numbers are required by FRIDAY for this great weekend. It is also the same weekend as our markets. Contact Cheryl for full details and costs.

ASHLEY CONSTANCE reports GYE students will visit Cooma 24th and 25th November, Ash will be seeking volunteers for home hosting for fourteen of the group later this month.

RURAL URBAN NIGHT: to be held in the Bredbo Hall next Wednesday 26th September. Dinner at 7.00 Fellowship at 6.30. Bus leaves Centennial Park at 6pm sharp. Dinner fee is \$20 catered for by the CWA ladies, guest speaker Bruce Bashford it will be a great night.

ROTARY POLO SHIRTS: John Gill is running another batch of those unique Cooma Rotary shirts for the PNG adventurers. Any member who doesn't yet have one then now's the time to give John a call and get your's at a bargain basement price.



Next week's guest speaker: Bruce Bashford

TOPIC: Rural Matters