## The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 33 plus one makeup out of 53 members = 64%

**VISITING ROTARIANS**: nil

GUESTS: Alison (Dave H), Irene (Steve S), Bruce Hovey (Dugald M), Ryan & Georgie

**MEETINGS:** 

We meet every Wednesday

6 for 6:30pm at

**Dodds Hotel** 

94 Commissioner Street Cooma

(Ashley C), Heather Willis (Prasan S).

APOLOGIES: Geoff B, Gail E, Brian J, John M, John V.

LEAVE: Robbyn C, Peter D, Elaine M, Lou M, Sabine S, Sarah W, John M, Coll A.

MAKEUPS: Darrell G. (RI Convention)

## Duty Roster June & July

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Next Week-Alan Dodd	Claire Neumeyer & Margaret Echarri	<b>June-</b> Alan Dodd & Kevin Dunne <b>July</b> – Monica Alcock & Graham French
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Property Introduction Markets

**June-**Brian Jeffries & Pat- **July-** No roster yet

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July-Geoff Bowland & Chris Vote of Thanks August– No roster yet Adams

#### 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 Monday 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



# Weekly Bulletin



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## The Power of Giving

rasan Sharp and her topic "The Power if Giving" was brought about by reading an article in Time magazine showing photographs of emaciated Aids suffers in a Buddhist hospice on the outskirts of the town of Lopburra, in Thailand, the country of her birth. Prasan was so moved by what she saw



**Prasan Sharp** 

she flew to Thailand to see first hand the conditions and experience of those at the hospice. Previously the building was a temple, it was turned into a hospice in 1992 and became a place for Aids/HIV sufferers to spend their remaining time in some degree of comfort and respect. The time Prasan spent at the hospice she learnt that the sufferers were shunned not only by society but by friends and family. Prasan spent time feeding and comforting sufferers. She said in Thailand Aids has an awful stigma due to lack of education of the people. Prasan was so deeply moved she decided to do something and started fundraising and in 2006 raised \$3,260 which was donated to the hospice. One of the fund raising initiatives is by massage treatment.

On her first visit she was accompanied by a group of friends whose reactions were to keep away from sufferers for fear of contracting the disease. Prasan explained to them how the





David says thanks

#### **Issue**

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# Items of special interest:-

- June-Rotary Fellowship Month
- July-Literacy Month
- August-Membership
- September-Youth
   Activities Month
- October-Vocational Service Month
- November-Rotary
   Foundation Month

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## The Power of Giving cont.



disease is passed on, and on the second visit the same group were nursing children and interacting with adults. She said this demonstrated the need to educate people. On her recent trip to Thailand, Nattapan's mother, President of a Rotary Club in Thailand took her to remote villages where sufferers make flowers, bracelets and craft which are sold online by Rotary to help people suffering this disease. Her wish is to assist in educating healthy teenagers in Thailand as this is the key to combating the problem. Her personal philosophy is "to do something good, do it today, because there may not be a tomorrow". Prasan will continue her fundraising for this cause, the hat was passed around and members donated over \$250 which she will forward on.

### CHANGEOVER DINNER NEXT WEDNESDAY

Time: 6:30 for 7pm start

Venue: **Dodds Hotel**Cost: **\$25 per head**Partners: **Of course** 

Come and see President Cheryl pass the baton!

# Thought of the Week-by Margaret Echarri Enthusiasm is contagious!!

## Member Happenings

Wedding Anniversaries 27 June-Les & Jan S. 28 June-Dave & Alison H.

**Birthdays**29 June-Alan Mcphie
29 June-Alison Holgate



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

**Rotary Shares** 



## Club Policies and information

If you are not sure what the rules are for: Donations, Membership, Attendance and other items of club business then go to this link and you'll know it all!!! <a href="http://www.d9710.rotary.org.au/Cooma/index\_files/Page433.htm">http://www.d9710.rotary.org.au/Cooma/index\_files/Page433.htm</a>

# Next week's guest speaker: Changeover Dinner

**TOPIC:** Cheryl & John's excellent adventure!

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