# The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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We meet every Wednesday 6:00pm for 6:30pm at Dodds Hotel 94 Commissioner Street Cooma

#### **THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE**: 34 members out of 50 = 68%

VISITING ROTARIANS: John and Heather Jacoby (Mandurah WA), John Mercer (?) GUESTS: Kerrie Borger-wore (Geoff B.), Alison (Dave H.), Stephanie McDonald and Barbara Z. (Club)

APOLOGIES: Peter A., David B., Graham F., Brian J., Alan D., Robbyn C. and Julie J.

LEAVE: Ashley C., Katrin H., Alison H-J., Sabine S., Prasan S, Sarah W.

WE ALSO MISSED: Chris A. and Brenda C-B.

### Duty Roster April and May

Thought of the Week Next Week - Alan Hall	<b>Fellowship</b> Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	Attendance April - Alan Hall and Dave Holgate May - David Byrne and Rob Sims
Property	Introduction	Markets
<b>April -</b> David Epstein and John Vucic	David Epstein	<b>May</b> - Colin M. Van, John C. BBQ, Cheryl M., Robbyn C. Rob S., Alyson H-J. PA
<b>May</b> - Robbyn Crooks and Des Trute	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> Gail Eastaway	<b>June</b> - Lou M. Van, Chris A. BBQ, Katrin H., Tom B., Kevin D., Alyson H-J. 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 1159) 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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### Guest Speaker Cr Stephanie McDonald

#### S tephanie McDonald, one of the new councilors in our shire, was born and grew up on a farm in South Australia. Stephanie has two children, 18 and 5 years old. She acknowledged the Ngarigo People who are the traditional custodians of the land. She then asked the club members what they would like to happen for Cooma. Some responses were - more people, better indoor facilities, traffic lights, improved foot-

paths, more trees, pedestrian crossings, clean up Cooma Creek, a picture of the future. Stephanie's wild idea is sustainability and she mentioned the closure of the wool scouring plant at Goulburn, which would have an effect there. She spoke on localised industry. The hides from Monbeef going overseas for tanning and then purchased back, could we do that here. The idea is to build innovative capability which is full of challenge, but would bring direct benefits to our primary producers; providing educational, skills and work opportunities for people of all ages. Long term sustainable industry, growth and opportunities. Cooma produces natural fibres such as merino, alpaca, angora and rabbit, but what about using industrial hemp, which is an ideal rotation crop for lucerne and can be processed the same way as wool. During question time Lou



Moore informed us his Dorper sheep are imported from South Africa, these being meat sheep with very short wool not suitable for shearing, so the skins are used for making car seats. Steph said that at the April Council Meeting it was resolved to aspire to a 50%

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#### Items of special interest:-

- April-Magazine Month
- May-Planning Month
- June-Fellowship Month
- July-Literacy Month
- August-Membership Month
- September-New generations Month
- October-Vocational Service Month
- November-Foundation Month

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#### **Make Dreams Real**

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### Guest Speaker cont.

reduction in energy use and a 50% reliance on renewable energy by 2020. She spoke on the grid -connected Photo Voltaic System community bulk buying scheme with Pyramid Power from Pambula in which she is facilitating. Very important that Electricity is going to rise by 20% in July in her household system and the seminar at TAFE (see news).

# **Three Minuter**

Marco Revelant spoke on Cooma Little Theatre and the play that 'fault the curse of the actor' in which even the prompter got it wrong, but he said it was hilarious. They have also performed at the Canberra Theatre. I don't know why Marco didn't get the role of one of the ugly sisters in the production of Cinderella.



### Gallery



John and Heather looking good

Cooking up a storm Winners of the beauty contest

# Thought of the Week—Gail Eastaway

If they can put one man on the moon, why can't they put them all there.

# **Member Happenings**

#### Wedding Anniversaries David & Gay E. – 2 May Kevin & Maree D. - 11 May Patrick & Joo Siew K.– 15 May

Birthdays Bob E.& Hans N. - 1 May Jim & Mary H. - 2 May Alyson H-J. - 19 May



Gallery cont.



Mr. DAVID Holgate!

John & Marg in deep discussion

After Dave's 3rd introduction!

### News

MARKETS last Sunday there were 34 stalls and BBQ income came to \$2,935.85, estimated expenses were \$677.66, estimated profit is \$2,256.28. A very busy day for the 3 fellows on the BBQ and the 6 in the van. Many thanks to our friends Irene (Bruce) Shirvington, Caroline Worofka who both buttered bread non stop and Barbara Z who went shopping for extra supplies and took photos. Many thanks also to the girls on Piss Pots Anon stand selling Polish beer. Dave Holgate has cleaned the fridge up that much that John M didn't recognise it. We also have a new deep freezer.

SOLAR BULK BUY information sessions as mentioned by Steph are on Sunday 26 April at Cooma TAFE restaurant.

FIRE PROTECTION Invitation from University of the 3rd Age Discussion Group is taking place at 2:15pm on Monday 27 April 2009 at Dodd's Hotel function room. The guest speaker, Chris Reeks will be discussing how to protect your home and surrounds. The cost is \$2.00. For enquiries please contact Clair N. on 6452 3137.

### Next week's program: Karen Cash Motorbikes, Platypus, Lavender and other tourist animals

Following week: James Litchfield Agricultural Research on the Monaro at Coolringdon

> Bulletin Reporter — Des Trute Bulletin editor & production - Irene Shirvington

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