

## The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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### MEETINGS:

We meet every Wednesday

6:00pm for 6:30pm at

Dodds Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma

THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 38 out of 54 = 70%

VISITING ROTARIANS: nil

GUESTS: Barbara Z., Col Pilkington (Club), Georgie and Ryan (Ashley C.), Alyson (David H.), Mark Cooper (Monica A.).

APOLOGIES: Monica A., David B., Claire N., Richard L., Wolfgang L.

SICK: David E. and Gordon H.

LEAVE: Sarah W., Elaine M., Darrel G., Sabine S.

WE ALSO MISSED: Peter A., Gail E., Kym L., Colin and Cheryl M.

**Good Rotarians always apologise if they can't attend a meeting**

Bad ones have to pay the dinner fee!!!!

## Duty Roster July and August

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Marco Revelant	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	<b>July</b> - Elisabeth Apps and Graham French <b>August</b> - Tony Slater and Kym Lloyd
Property	Introduction	Markets
<b>July</b> - Geoff Bowland and Chris Adams	Lis Apps	<b>July</b> - Dave H. Van, Tom B. BBQ, Monica A., Elisabeth A., Alyson H-J. PA, Rob S.
<b>August</b> - Tom Bellgard and Alan Dodd	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> Cheryl Mould	<b>August</b> - Alan H. Van, David B. BBQ, Geoff B., Brenda C-B., Alyson H-J. PA, Elaine M.

### 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 Sue (6452 5611 or [coomaccontact@exemail.com.au](mailto:coomaccontact@exemail.com.au)) 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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## Col Pilkington on Mentoring

Guest speaker was Col Pilkington who grew up in Sydney became a teacher for 24 years, in the city and country, in primary and secondary schools. Col taught at Monaro High for 11 years before he retired. Col saw the need for mentoring students at risk, whether it be family difficulties, death, separation, divorce, ill health, financial difficulties or learning disabilities. He heard of a mentoring program at a south coast



Col Pilkington

school where they were repairing bikes for disadvantaged children. Col met up with Chris Adams who was collecting bikes for children at Kemabolo - this is how the bike program in Cooma got off the ground. The school had interviews and four boys were selected to take part in repairing these bikes. Thanks to David Byrne, council facilities at Polo Flat were made available, as well as tools, oils and benches supplied. With the help of a few Rotarians, Lions and a Legacy volunteer to supervise and assist these students, they repair all the bikes stored out there until they are repaired then they go to Marco's for storage.



Chris A. did the introduction

This gives the students the feeling that they belong, they create something for someone else, which improves their self esteem, and they can feel part of the community. This program goes from 9am to 11am at the Council Depot, then they have a cuppa and last week some delicious pikelets thanks to Margaret Echarri.

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### Items of special interest:-

- July-Literacy Month
- August-Membership Month
- September-New generations Month
- October-Vocational Service Month
- November-Foundation Month
- December-Family Month
- January-Awareness Month

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## Col Pilkington cont.



Col was thanked by shorty Holgate

Phil then asks the students and supervisors, to tell the group what they have done, what they have achieved and learnt that day. After finishing at Polo Flat they go to Cooma Public School until 1:30pm to assist students there in a literature program.

This is an excellent program and it is great to see what these students have achieved. There are several other students that want to be involved, and also maybe a similar program could be considered for the girls.

## Sergeant Lou's 2009-2010 Debut



Lou's debut!

**S**ergeant Lou, brand new to the role in 2009-2010 survived his baptism of fire with ease. In fact, he became so carried away with the moment that he had to be "GONGED" off by President Pamela in order for the evenings proceedings to be continued. This however didn't impede in any way the fund raising nor the fun had, by those giving and in most cases, on the receiving end of the handsome and talented Sgt Moore's wrath.

## Thought of the Week—Julie Johnston

*Close friends make the music sound sweeter, the wine tasty and richer, and the laughter ring louder.*

## Member Happenings

### Wedding Anniversaries

None till September

### Birthdays

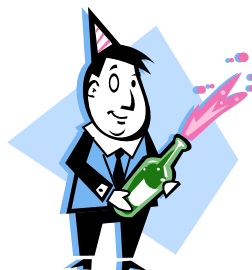
Dave L. - 7 Jul

Tony S. - 8 Jul

Christina Laub - 12 Jul

Heather Hall - 13 Jul

Monica A. - 17 Jul



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



## Gallery



Just some of the bikes collected by Chris A



Alyson HJ had things to say

## News

**INTERACT** District Governor Phil Mewett had the pleasure last Thursday of handing the Interact charter certificate to Jordan Wade, at Snowy Mountains Christian School, the 4th in the District. Several Rotarians were present to witness and support this great event.

**CAMP QUALITY** the club was again doing a BBQ for Camp Quality at Jindabyne on Thursday night, with the assistance of some members of the Snowy Mountains Christian School interact club. Great to see them so willing to get involved with our club.

**YOUTH EXCHANGE** Counsellor briefing session: 8<sup>th</sup> July, 5:00pm – Dodds Hotel. Come along and find out about the role and responsibilities of being a Youth Exchange Counsellor. This coming year, we need, a counsellor for our outbound student to Sweden, and 2 counsellors for the trial exchange with New Zealand. You don't have to be a Rotarian to be a counsellor – so tell your friends, any ex-exchange students or your partner, who might be interested in seeing themselves in Rotary!

**COMMUNITY SERVICE** Committee Director David H. is having a committee meeting at 5:00pm before next week's meeting.

**ANNUAL REPORT** for 2008/2009, if you weren't at the changeover or didn't get a copy, please give Jim Hatfield a call on 6452 5738.

**Next week's program:** Bronnie Taylor

Oncology on the Monaro

**Following week:** Sue Dunning

Progress on upgrading the Cooma swimming pool

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