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: 34 out of 50 = 68%

GUESTS: The interact team - Alex Wiles, Claire Learoyd, Emma Gerrand, Nick Tugwell, Zac Zylatra, Jarrod Sopnieeski (Club), Lyne (Graham H), Jeanette (John C), Anne

Denning, Georgie (Ashley C), Allison (David H). APOLOGIES: Kevin D, John M, Tony S, Steve S.

LEAVE: Monica A, Julie J, Kym L, Cheryl and Colin M, Margaret E.

WE ALSO MISSED: Lis A and Joe V.

MAKEUPS: Nil

Duty Roster April and May

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Tom Bellgard	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	April - Alan Hall and David Holgate May - David Byrne and Margaret Hassall
Property	Introduction	Markets
April - Ken Prendergast and Richard Lawson	Margaret Hassall	April - Lou M, Dave L, Elisabeth A, Robbyn C, Geoff B, Alyson H-J, PA
May - Robbyn Crooks and Peter Allenspach	Vote of Thanks Katrin Hackney	May - Marco R, Chris A, Ken Dane, Elaine M, 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 David Holgate 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 SOMEONE WHO CAN, or advise David Holgate before the event. Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.

The contact number for making apologies and for notification of guests for dinner meetings will be to Kim Adams. Phone 6452 1488 prior to 4 PM on Tuesday afternoons. You may also email Kim; kadams@coomalaw.com.au



Weekly Bulletin



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Interact - Graham Hope & John Clark

ohn Clarke, who is part of the District Interact Committee. gave us some information on Interact. Interact started in 1962, for young people between the ages of 14-18 vears, there are now over 250.000 members in 120 countries with 1,100 clubs. The Interact goals are: developing leadership skills and personal integrity;



John Clarke

demonstrating helpfulness and respect for others; understanding the value of individual responsibility and hard work; and advancing international understanding and goodwill. John sent Interact packages to all our local high schools, but the only school that responded was Snowy Mountains Christian School through Graham Hope who piloted the charter for this successful Interact Club. This would not have been possible without Graham's enthusiasm and dedication. Graham Hope said "Never underestimate the potential of young people and their leadership skills." We then had an address by Claire Learoyd, the President of the Interact Club, who said "thought is the most positive tool we have available to us, we don't think enough, if



Graham Hope

we invest in thought together, we work towards a solution, which would be a better outcome. Emma Gerrand. Secretary of the Interact Club, spoke on the Australian Media which is widely accessible to and relates to all ages, via television, radio, and newspapers and has a great impact on Australian society, but with their lack of facts many unnecessary

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Items of special interest:-

- April Rotary Magazine Month
- May Planning Month
- Iune Fellowship Month
- July Literacy Month
- August Membership **Extension Month**
- September Youth **Activities Month**
- October Vocation Service Month
- November Rotary Foundation Month

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Interact cont.



Introduced by Jim

pains and hurts is impacted. Emma then quoted item 19 of Human Rights, which she said the media is within it's rights to express what they believe, but these are not always correct. Mentioned the outbreak of swine flue, which the media exaggerated from a petty cold to an pandemic similar to the black plague, which drove fear into peoples' minds, whereas if they had spoken to a doctor or trained professional they could have happily told us there were no major dangers, it was just a mild flu. Emma said the media not only manipulates the truth, but make up facts before an investigation by real au-

thorities takes place. Referring to the racial tension between India and Australia due to the death of many Indian people in Melbourne. Without hearing the facts or knowing the full story, labeled each as a racial attack, with terrorist threats against Aussies; and athletes fearful of competing in the 2010 Commonwealth Games to be held in India. But then investigations released the truth, that these killings were not caused by racial

hatred or by Australians but carried out by fellow Indians. Emma said the worst was exaggeration and manipulation of body images. Failing to see the perfect women in magazines are air brushed and surgery enhanced.

Through these lies many girls turn to anorexia, bulimia and even suicide. While the media has the ability to cause major damage, it also has the ability to make the world a better place by ensuring they are telling the truth. Integrity, honesty and truth in every story would change the world for the better.



Thought of the Week - Claire Neumeyer

Tact is the knack of making a point without making an enemy.

Member Happenings

Wedding Anniversaries Dave and Trish Libauer - 20 Apr

Birthdays Des Trute - 15 Apr Geoff Bowland - 17 Apr

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





Gallery





News

SIR WILLIAM HUDSON NURSING HOME FETE The wine auction raised \$751.00 thanks to all those members who donated bottles of wine.

OPEN HOUSE AND GARDEN Gemstone display, paintings and photography, bric a brack stall, demonstrations and music. Claire N's home at 10 Kaufline Close, on Sunday 11 April 2010 from 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Entry is \$10 per person and \$2 for children to raise funds for Polio Eradication.

PORT FOR ALL At the close of the meeting thanks to Des T's maths, President Pamela shouted everyone a Port or two.

> Next week's program: Jill Murdoch Woman of the Year

Following week: Club Assembly

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