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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 39 out of 48 = 81.3%

VISITING ROTARIANS: IPDG Michael Peddler and Julia (Canberra South)

GUESTS: Alison (David H), Matthew Towning (Steve S), Carol (Tony S), Nelson Wal-

MEETINGS:

We meet every Wednesday

6:00pm for 6:30pm at

Dodds Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma

Robbyn C - Coffee

lace and Adrian Blake (Club).

APOLOGIES: John C, Robbyn C, Jim H, Brian J, John V. **LEAVE:** Kym L, Monica A, Brenda C-B, John Mercer.

SICK LEAVE: Margaret E

WE ALSO MISSED: Alan D and Graham H.

Duty Roster October and November

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| Thought of the Week | Fellowship | Attendance |
| Jim Hatfield | Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer | October - Ken Dane and Dave Libauer |
| Three Minuter | | November - Kevin Dunne |
| Claire Neumeyer | | and Geoff Bowland |
| Property | Introduction | Markets |
| October - John Clarke and Dugald Mitchell | Katrin Hackney | October - Kevin D, Claire N, Ashley C, Elaine M, Gra- ham H, Alyson H-J - PA, Lou M - Coffee |
| November - Margaret Hassall and David Holgate | Vote of Thanks Ashley Constance | November - Jim H, Peter A, Richard L, Neil B, Tony S, 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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Broadband in Cooma - Nelson Wallace & Adrian Blake

irst guest speaker was Nelson Wallace who gave us a report on his start in the workforce in 1952. His first vehicle was an Austin A40 ute with a canvas top, it didn't have a heater, an air conditioner, traffic signals, or radio, the only sound was the engine and road noise. Nelson's father would not be able to comprehend the world we live in today, computers, HD digital TV, mobile phones etc. Nelson gave us a report on his business and said with



Nelson Wallace

the possibility of a University campus in Cooma the need for a fast communication network has become more urgent. The main speaker was Adrian Blake, who when the gas pipeline was laid in Cooma saw the opportunity for optic fibre cable to be included for future use. There is daily news about broadband infrastructure and services. What is broadband? Basically a wide-band communications channel, but how wide? That depends upon its purpose. Today we talk about bundled services on broadband. So how wide should broadband be for bundled services? Broadband immediately brings to mind high speed Internet. THERE IS NO MONEY IN INTERNET SERVICE PRO-

VISION. The heyday of the ISP has gone. The only way to be profitable in the ISP business is by providing ancillary services. For the majority of consumers 128K bps Internet is sufficient. By majority we mean the number of consumers, not their dollar value, and we include households and business. A few specialised small businesses, together with medium and large businesses require large amounts of bandwidth but these are in the minority. Internet audio and video streaming pushes

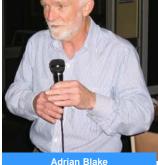
Items of special interest:-

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- October Vocation
 Service Month
- November Rotary
 Foundation Month
- December Family Month
- January Rotary
 Awareness Month
- February-World Understanding Month
- March Polio Eradication Month
- April Rotary Magazine Month
- May Planning Month

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Broadband in Cooma cont.



Neil did the introductions

the bandwidth requirement to 256 Kbps. The Internet like telephony is developing into a two-way communications medium. Asymmetrical channels will only suit the minority, the passive users. The Internet is also developing beyond being merely a communications channel and information source. Business and soon households will use the Internet and computers for much more of their daily life. User computer

applications too will be sourced via the Internet

instead of being installed on the users hard disk drive. Video consumes bandwidth, vast quantities of bandwidth. Most households have two or more televisions. Present systems require 6 Mbps of bandwidth, so that is at least 12 Mbps for each home. By 2005 High Definition Television (HDTV) will be readily available, but at a price, 15 Mbps bandwidth per channel.



Steve thanks Adrian and Nelson

Three Minuter - Geoff Bowland

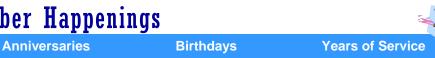
Geoff Bowland reported on something that had captured his imagination over many years. On his recent trip, Geoff had the opportunity. The buildings in Venice have stood on reclaimed marshland for hundreds of years and Geoff always wondered how the technology to make this happen was invented. It turns out that most of the processes we use today were applied then only in a more manual and labour intensive way.



Thought of the Week - Peter Allenspach

Be nice to your kids, they'll choose your nursing home.

Member Happenings



Marco & Mariorie R - 18 Oct Wolfgang & Christina L - 20 Oct Bob K - 13 Oct

John C - 12 Oct Marilyn G - 17 Oct Lou Moore - 20 Oct Kathy B - 22 Oct

David Byrne 17 Oct - 9 Yrs Claire Neumever 31 Oct - 9 Yrs Gallery



News

VICTORIAN BUSHFIRES The \$13,000 raised for relief will soon be forwarded and the Rotary Club of Alexandria in Victoria will supervise the money for a multi purpose school building. A presentation will be included in the local papers shortly.

COMPUTER DONATION Snowy Hydro's donation of 20 computers for the Kemabolo Project will also be reported in the local papers.

DISTRICT SIMPLIFIED GRANTS might be available shortly for some projects. PROGRESSIVE DINNER Robbyn C needs all participants to book in, this is a Club social activity.

COMMUNITY SERVICE MEMBERS David H has called a meeting for 5:00pm this Wednesday.

ROTARY WHISKEY CAKES. PLUM PUDDINGS AND BISCUITS will need to be ordered shortly, David H is looking for volunteers to take on this duty.

ROTARY FOUNDATION District Service Award for outstanding service in promoting The Rotary Foundation and its goal of world understanding and peace was presented to Steve Shirvington by IPDG Michael Peddler. Congratulations Steve.

> Next week's program: Dr Leah Moore "Geology on the Monaro"

> > Following week: Bill Frazer Royal Flying Doctor Service

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