

The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 23 out of 49 = 52%

VISITING ROTARIANS: Nil

GUESTS: Alison (David H), Irene (Steve S), Fiona and Charlotte (Mark C).

APOLOGIES: Ashley C, Kevin D, Colin M, Jim H, Alyson H-J, Brian J, Patrick K, Les S, Matthew T, Des T, John V, Brenda C-B, Joe V, Marko R and John M.

LEAVE: Monica A and John Mercer.

WE ALSO MISSED: John C, Dugald M, Alan D.

MAKEUPS: Nil

Duty Roster January, February and March

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Tom Bellgard	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	January - Elaine Mooney and David Byrne February - Alan Hall and Mark Cooper

Property	Introduction	Markets
January - Tom Bellgard and Darrell Gaukroger	Elaine Mooney	February - David B, Tom B, John V, John M, Monica A, Alyson H-J - PA, Colin M - Coffee
February - Graham French and Patrick Kwan	Vote of Thanks Alan Hall	March - Lou M, Peter A, Robbyn C, Katrin H, David E, Alyson H-J - PA, Kevin D - Coffee

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 for making apologies and for notification of guests for dinner meetings is Darrell Gaukroger ph: 0407411422 or dqcooma@bigpond.net.au

MEETINGS:

We meet every Wednesday

6:00pm for 6:30pm at

Dodds Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma



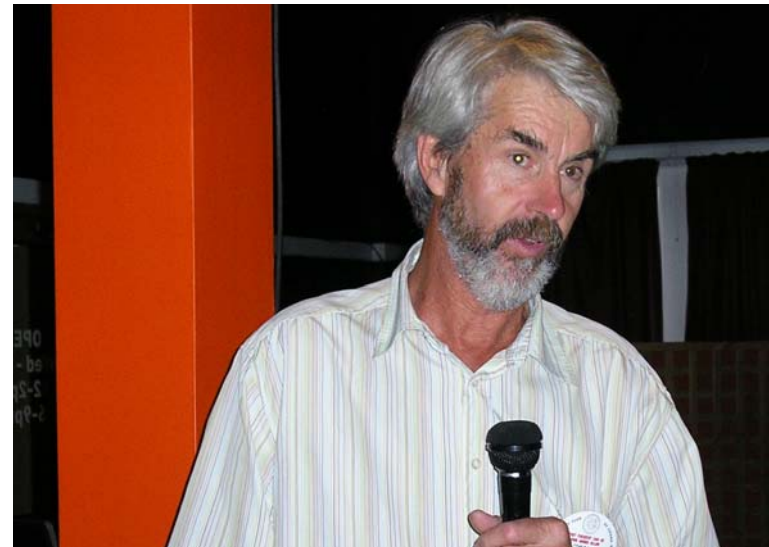
Weekly Bulletin



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East Timor Experience - Tony Slater

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Tony Slater spoke to the club on his recent visit as a volunteer to remote parts of East Timor. Working as part of a dentists group that has been operating since 2003, Tony travelled with his friend and sometime locum, Andy Moran. They visited villages that have never had dental services

although there had been five other visits to other parts of East Timor in 2010. Tony spoke of the difficulties encountered – the language barrier, the lack of trafficable roads, and the variety of facilities from basic to reasonably up to date. Tony also mentioned the nature of the people: even though most facilities such as schools and hospitals had been destroyed in a 'scorched earth' policy during the Indonesian occupation, the



Graham introduced

Items of special interest:-

- January - Rotary Awareness Month
- February-World Understanding Month
- March - Polio Eradication Month
- April - Rotary Magazine Month
- May - Planning Month
- June - Fellowship Month
- July - Literacy Month
- August - Membership Extension Month

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East Timor Experience cont.

people were happy and were not harbouring grudges against the Indonesians. The East Timorese and the priests and nuns stationed there are welcoming and hospitable. Tony and Andy would see 58 patients in one day; during the visit no extractions went wrong. Both Rotary and Lions have dentist teams in PNG, the amount of work to be done being enormous, both in dental work and also in dental hygiene. The time taken to travel from one centre to another, e.g. 170km in 8 hours, impacts on the volume of treatment that can be done.



Mark thanks Tony

PNG Update - Peter Davis



Here is a photo of three RC Orange North Rotarians tasting the fruits of a week's labour, near the start of the southern end of the Kokoda Track (yours truly, PP & ADG John Mackenzie, DGE Ian Simpson and local Lului of Magere Village). We built a concrete block dam above a waterfall, laid 850m of 32NB pipe and buried it to protect it from damage, on the edge of a crocodile infested swamp (well little crocodiles anyway), all for \$2,700. Regards to all the Cooma troops and good luck in PNG.

Thought of the Week - Margaret Hassall

If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.

Member Happenings



Anniversaries

Jim and Mary H - 5 Feb
Claire and Hans N - 7 Feb

Birthdays

Doug A - 8 Feb
Alan H - 9 Feb

Years of Service

Nil

Gallery



Charlotte with Fiona and Mark



Charlotte with Pres Chris

News

DON'T FORGET we have a meeting this Wednesday (Australia Day) as per our normal program.

AUSTRALIA DAY morning – breakfast at the car club. Don't forget the Australia Day market at Centennial Park.

FLOOD APEAL A dinner dance will be held as a fundraiser for the flood appeal on Friday 18 February. This is a combined effort from Rotary, Lions and the car club. An open meeting will be held on 20 February at the car club with regards to the flood appeal, Darrell to attend.

PNG EXCHANGE President Chris asked for any help regarding an exchange program to help a PNG girl as Rotary's program doesn't cover PNG.

CENTENNIAL PARK A meeting has been called by Council for 22 February regarding the development of Centennial Park.

SWEDEN EXCHANGE Charlotte Cooper has returned from her year long visit to Sweden and will speak at a later meeting.

Next week's program: Three Cooma Rotarians
"Why I am Proud to be an Australian"

Following week: Jim Hatfield
"Visitors' Centres I Have Visited"

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