

The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 31 plus 3 makeups - 34 out of 44 = 77.2%
VISITING ROTARIANS: Dan Grant (Mudgee Sunrise), Peter Davis (Orange North)
GUESTS: Neil Robertson (Richard L), Craig Mitchell, Peter Ward (Dugald M), Jan (Les S), Veronique (Club).
APOLOGIES: Kevin D, Jim H, Julie J (late), Elaine M, Cheryl M, Matthew T (late), Joe V, John V, Alan D.
LEAVE: Monica A, John Mercer, David B, Claire N.
MAKEUPS: Kevin D (Exchange Duty), Matthew T, Joe V and Margaret H (Kemabolo work day).

Duty Roster March and April

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Pres Chris	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	March - Brian Jeffries and Joe Vescio April - Darrell Gaukroger and Rob Simms

Property	Introduction	Markets
March - Neil Brown and Tom Bellgard	N/A	March - Lou M, Peter A, Robbyn C, Katrin H, David E, Alyson H-J - PA, Kevin D - Coffee
April - Tony Slater and Marco Revelant	Vote of Thanks N/A	April - Darrell G, Mark C, Colin M, Elaine M, Matthew T, Alyson H-J - PA, Cheryl M - 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 dgcooma@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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General Sir John Monash - Richard Lawson

Issue: 2 March

Guest speaker was Rotarian Richard Lawson who spoke on the life of General Sir John Monash (1865 - 1931). Sir John was of Jewish and German parentage, attended primary school at Richmond Victoria and Jerilderie NSW; went on to Scotts College Melbourne; equal dux in French and German; commenced Arts and Engineering. Sir John had to abandon his courses in 1885 due to his mother's long illness and had to contribute to the family finances so worked on Princes Bridge over the Yarra River. Pasted his third year at Uni as a part-time student in 1887, but resolved to complete his degrees and in 1891 gained his Bachelor of Engineering, then a Masters in Engineering and a Bachelors in Arts and Law. He was a talented pianist, he enjoyed theatre, opera and girls. Married in 1891, had a daughter and a few affairs. He was involved in



Richard Lawson



Graham does the introduction

many building and law matters, was President of Victorian Engineering and was considered a pillar of the Melbourne society. Society. Sir John was a part-time soldier (reservist today) and went from Corporal in 1887 up the ladder to major in 1895 and Captain in 1895, and Major and Commander of the North Melbourne Battery, Garrison Artillery de-

Items of special interest:-

- March - Polio Eradication Month
- April - Rotary Magazine Month
- May - Planning Month
- June - Fellowship Month
- July - Literacy Month
- August - Membership Extension Month
- September - Youth Activities Month
- October - Vocational Service Month
- November - Rotary Foundation Month

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General Sir John Monash cont.



Lou thanks Richard

plored to Egypt in 1914, and 30 days of hell at Gallipoli which brought his promotion to Brigadier General. About this time, untrue rumors were circulating that he had been shot as a German spy and traitor. His men stayed at Gallipoli fighting until the final withdrawal on 19 December 1915. He was again promoted to Major General, served in France and on 1 January 1918, was knighted (Knight Commander of the Order of the Bath). His return to Australia was marred by the death of his wife on 27 February 1920. Sir John was generally ignored by the Army and Government despite all he had done, but became manager of the Victorian State Electricity Commission. Monash was held in high regard by those who served under him, and when the Victorian Police strike on 1 November 1923, he recruited 'special constables' from his ex soldiers and by the following Sunday, 5,000 men had been organised to restore order and by Melbourne Cup day the crisis was over. Monash filled many positions - Vice Chancellor of Melbourne Uni, President of the Australian Association for Advancement of Science, President of Australian Zionist Federation and President of the Melbourne Rotary Club to name a few. He was also influential in ensuring the success of Anzac Day. On 11 November 1929, he was made a full General by the Australian Government in recognition of his record. 80 years after his death he is still recognised - The Monash University, The Monash Scholarships, towns of Monash in South Australia, Canberra and Sydney, his face on the \$100 note, and members also added a Monash Highway and a stamp. Two of our members Dugald Mitchell's grandfather served with him and Peter Davis's relatives were associated with him. Very well done Richard a lot of research and definitely a great Aussie.

Thought of the Week - Dave Libauer

***A silly question is a lot easier
than a silly mistake.***

Member Happenings



Anniversaries

Tom & Kath B - 24 Mar
Richard & Lainie L - 30 Mar

Birthdays

Margaret E - 13 Mar
David H - 18 Mar
John M - 24 Mar
Yvonne M - 31 Mar

Years of Service

Ken Dane 10 Mar 51 yrs
Brenda C-B 25 Mar 2 yrs

Gallery



Mr Clarke



Mr Cooper



Ms Hulley



The Serg...



The helper



The organiser

News

KEMABOLO CONTAINER is packed! A thank you to Marco R for his assistance and to Peter A for the metal panels; not forgetting all those who worked hard last weekend.
MICHELAGO WITH TUGGERS \$25.00 per head, bus leaves Centennial Park at 6pm. The cost of the bus is possibly \$5.00 per head.

Next week's program: Michelago
with Tuggeranong Club

Following week: Khris Laird
Helping small business on the Monaro

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