

The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 36 members out of 45=80% (Port please Pres Chris)
VISITING ROTARIANS: Peter Davis (Orange)
GUESTS: Alison (David H), John King (Tony S), Elaine Schofield (Rob S), Brett Miners (Club).
APOLOGIES: David B, John C, Kevin D, Jim H, Richard L.
LEAVE: John Mercer, Monica A, Alyson H-J, Brian J
WE ALSO MISSED: Nil
MAKEUPS: Nil

Duty Roster May and June

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Matthew Towning	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	May - John Clarke and Cheryl Mould June - David Epstein and Richard Lawson
Property	Introduction	Markets
May - Kevin Dunne and Julie Johnston	N/A	May - Graham F, Patrick K, Claire N, Les S, Brenda C-B, Alyson H-J - PA, Ashley C - Coffee
June - John Mooney and Lou Moore	Vote of Thanks N/A	June - Marco R, Margaret H, Wolfgang L, Joe V, Dave L, Alyson H-J - PA, Neil B - 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

Dodd's Hotel

94 Commissioner Street Cooma



Weekly Bulletin



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Vocational - Brett Miners

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Guest speaker was Brett Miners who attended Cooma Public School and Monaro High School, did two years at University of Sydney doing Agricultural Science, then did a Natural Resource Management Degree at Roseworthy Agricultural Campus (University of Adelaide). Brett found study easy when he finally found the right course to do. Brett had a 'bottom-up' career; started as a Landcare Coordinator, progressed to Catchment Management Coordinator, Snowy/Genoa

Water Resource Manager and to Landscape Manager. Brett currently manages up to 24 staff across three offices, at Bateman's Bay, Bega and Cooma. Overseas annual budget of between \$2 to 5 million - depending on how successful his teams have been in competing for government funding. Career



Introduction by John M.

Items of special interest:-

- 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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Brett Miners cont.

Highlights are working with farmers; being involved from an early stage with the campaign to return environmental flows to the Snowy River and being involved with rehabilitation of the river and managing environmental flow to achieve maximum benefits. In the next 20 years he can't see himself finishing his career just working in Australia. Has discovered there is high transferability of his community based skills in working overseas. Has recently been exposed to the enormous problem of modern slavery, with an estimated 27 million people who are sold and trafficked, the majority being women and children who are sold to the sex industry. People trafficking is now the second largest illegal industry - second only to illegal drugs. Brett is currently planning to move to Athens over the next few years and working as a volunteer with non-government organisations who are involved in combating people trafficking.



Darrell G thanks Brett

Meet and Greet - Neil Brown

Indian Friendship Exchange are travelling from Tumbarumba to Cooma on Tuesday 3 May 2011 and are being collected by Bateman's Bay Rotary Club. A lunch has been organised at the Snowy Hydro Visitors' Centre at 12:30pm and anyone wishing to attend need to make a booking on Monday 2 May 2011.

Thought of the Week - Alan Hall

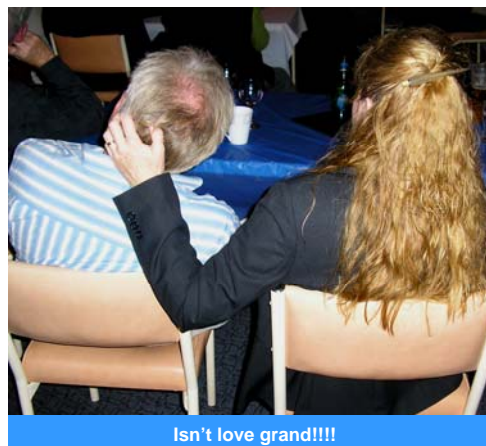
A child who is always led, will never walk.

Member Happenings

Anniversaries		Birthdays		Years of Service	
David & Gay E - 02 May		Jim H - 02 May		Peter A	12 May 03 yrs
Des & Judy T - 02 May		Mary H - 04 May		Bob K	13 May 57 yrs
				Margaret E	24 May 12 yrs
				Les S	26 May 12 yrs



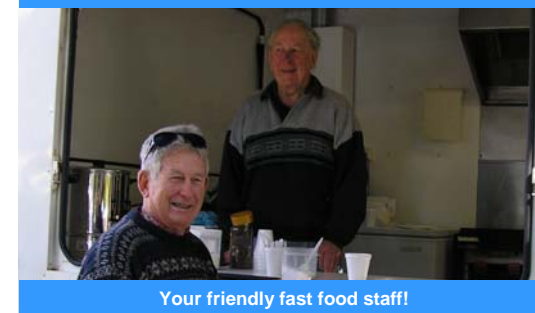
Gallery



Isn't love grand!!!!



Marco and Darrell are smokin'



Your friendly fast food staff!

News

CELTIC FETIVAL Berry Rotary Club are holding another festival on Saturday 28 May 2011.

QLD FLOOD APPEAL NIGHT that was to be held at the Cooma Car Club on 30 April, has unfortunately been cancelled as insufficient tickets were sold.

URBAN URBAN NIGHT is being held at the Alpine Hotel on 25 May 2011, the guest speaker is the PNG High Commissioner. Please book your guests in as soon as possible, this will be a great night for our Club.

ROTARY RED SHIELD COORDINATOR A big thank you to Geoff Bowland who is taking over as Coordinator to give David Holgate a well deserved rest.

PRIDE OF WORK AWARDS are coming up and Geoff B is asking for nominees.

Next week's program: Club Assembly
Members only

Following week: Peter Cochran
'Future of the Kosciuszko National Park'

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