

The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 34 + 1 makeup - 35 members out of 43 = 82.55%
VISITING ROTARIANS: Louise Nicholson (Cowra)
GUESTS: Nelson Wallace, David Hogan, Terry Charlton (Darrell G), Alison (David H), Sid Downie (Club).
APOLOGIES: David B, Julie J, Patrick K, Joe V, Robbyn C.
LEAVE: John Mercer, Monica A, Jim H, John M.
WE ALSO MISSED: Nil
MAKEUPS: David H (Markets)

Duty Roster May, June and July

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Des Trute	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	Steve Shirvington	June - Marco R, Margaret H, Wolfgang L, Joe V, Dave L, Alyson H-J - PA, Neil B - Coffee
June - John Mooney and Lou Moore	Vote of Thanks President Chris	July - TBA

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



The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

A Way Forward for Cooma - Sid Downie

Issue: 18 May

Guest speaker was Sid Downie, who has several university degrees and has traveled extensively overseas, has now settled in rural Cooma and is a member of the Snowy-Monaro Business Enterprise Centre, formerly the BEC. Sid spoke on the proposal for an Eco-Friendly Technology Park in Cooma, which has the support of the Mayor. Why a technology park? It is believed that the future of the world lies in technology from the development of sustainable food sources, to the need for clean energy sources, as well as the research conducted in institutions of higher learning. This is an ideal way to prepare our younger generation for practical application of and participation in that research and development. Why Cooma? Cooma is an established rural service centre, with a population of about 8,000 probably servicing about 12,000 including the adjoining shires. It has a number of significant advantages for a technology park. The increased population, and need for physical communication with other centres would significantly improve the prospects for mass transport, particularly to/from Canberra, for commuters. The study for an Eco-Friendly Technology Park in Cooma will determine the viability, both practically and economically, establishing a facility for the development and use of modern technology.



Intro by Darrell

Items of special interest:-

- 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
- December - Family Month

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A Way Forward for Cooma cont.

ogy in the district, with the object of increasing employment in the region by up to 1,000 in five years. Sid said that due to the Snowy Hydro Scheme, Cooma has an internationally recognised strong engineering innovative and skill base, accompanied by an established multicultural and professional community. Cooma is ideally placed, geographically and structurally; it has a clear, low humidity, pristine healthy environment; it is approximately one and a half hours from Canberra, NSW ski fields, and southern NSW coastal strip; it has a small commercial airport nearby with limited services to Sydney, and local light aircraft airstrip; it has excellent access to Sydney by road; thanks to the population explosion caused by SMHES in the 1950, the town's existing underlying infrastructure can cope with an expansion in population; its environs have the reputation of being an excellent place to raise children, with good school grounds, sporting facilities and rural atmosphere; it has available accommodation and land; Cooma has the Melbourne to Sydney gas pipeline, and ready access to the high speed optic fibre cable; the presence of a technology centre would complement the mooted university campus; the opportunities created by the facility would enhance employment prospects.



Thanks by Graham

Board Snippets

Members are aware that all Board minutes are available via the Club website and we know that everyone reads them regularly. However, the Board would like to bring to the attention of members that from the May meeting, only policies reviewed and endorsed by the Board are binding on the Club and its members. The Board encourages members who believe that the Club should address specific issues in regard to policy and procedure, to discuss these with the relevant Director for future Board review.

Thought of the Week - Anon

*The oldest short words, 'yes' and 'no',
are those which require the most thought.*

Member Happenings



Anniversaries

Birthdays

Years of Service

Alyson H-J - 19 May	Margaret E	24 May	12 yrs
Robbyn C - 20 May	Les S	26 May	12 yrs
Gaie M - 21 May			

Gallery



Chris reports

Katrin reports

Geoff questions

David reports



Happy birthday to Alyson

Terry Charlton comments

The Mouldy Sergeant

Marco questions

News

MARKETS 39 stalls (4 freebies) \$815, Van \$1,477, Coffee Cart \$500.

MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH HAT DAY \$333 was raised and a big thank you to Claire N for her great effort.

RED SHIELD APPEAL Geoff B still requires more volunteer collectors.

NEXT MEETING to be held at the Alpine Hotel 6:30pm for 7:00pm, cost is \$30 per head. **Darrell G. has to know immediately any changes to attendance.**

FUND RAISING MOVIE NIGHT for Cooma Rep Netball. Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides for Thursday 26 May. \$20/Adult, \$15/student which includes a comforting 'winter dinner' of soups and casseroles etc. Supper served at 6pm, movie starts at 7:15pm.

Next week's program: Urban Urban Night
"PNG High Commissioner and Report on PNG Project"

Following week: Yvi Henderson
"Results of Local Multicultural Programs"

*Bulletin Reporter - Des Trute
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