

## The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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**THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:** 25 out of 46 = 67%

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** Nil

**GUESTS:** Maree (Kevin D), Georgie (Ashley C), Phil Stubbs and Linda (Club).

**APOLOGIES:** Neil B, Colin & Cheryl M, Margaret H.

**LEAVE:** John M, Julie J, Patrick K, Dugald M, Ken P, Brenda C-B, John V, Alan H.

**WE ALSO MISSED:** Joe V.

**MAKEUPS:** Mark C.

## Duty Roster September and October

### Thought of the Week

Les Sutcliffe

### Three Minuter

Margaret Hassall

### Fellowship

Margaret Echarri and  
Claire Neumeyer

### Attendance

**September** - John Vucic  
and Dave Libauer  
**October** - Jim Hatfield and  
Marco Revelant

### Property

**September** - Wolfgang  
Laub and Colin Mould

**October** - John Clarke and  
Dugald Mitchell

### Introduction

N/A

### Vote of Thanks

N/A

### Markets

Van (V) Market Reserve (MR)

**September** - John C (V),  
Geoff B, Rob S, Claire N,  
Alan Dodd, Alyson H-J  
(PA), Joe V (MR)  
David H (Coord)

**October** - David B (V), Ash-  
ley C, Brenda C-B, Elaine  
M, Brian J, Alyson H-J (PA),  
Lou M (MR)  
David H (Coord)

### 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 on 6452 1159 or 0407 411 422 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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## Future Education Options - Phil Stubbs

**G**uest speaker was the Principal of St Pats

School, Phil Stubbs. After leaving school he commenced work with a French Bank, sights firmly set on an international banking career. Politics intervened, when he was called up for National Ser-

vise. Phil graduated from Officer training as a 2nd Lieutenant and worked on bases in Victoria and NSW. On leaving the army, went to university majoring in geography and economics, taught at several schools, including Monaro High and the last 20 years at St Pats as Coordinator and now Principal. Throughout his many years in education the one constant that he found is change, and perhaps never more evident than in the last five or six years. He then went on and explained BER the much maligned "school halls program", NAPLAN (National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy), National Curriculum and the Overcrowded Curriculum. Who is going to teach our chil-



Introduction by Kevin



Phil Stubbs

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### Items of special interest:-

- September - Youth Activities Month
- October - Vocational Service Month
- November - Rotary Foundation Month
- December - Family Month
- January - Rotary Awareness Month
- February - World Understanding Month
- Month March - Polio Eradication Month
- April - Rotary Magazine Month

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## Phil Stubbs cont.

crative international teaching positions or change occupations completely. A Federal Government report shows that Australia could even reach the stage where more teachers are leaving than their younger graduate fellows are arriving. This will not effect primary schools as much as secondary schools, with subjects such as technology, maths and science experiencing the crunch in fewer teachers. The average age of today's teacher is 43, and Australia could be looking at losing up to 30,000 teachers in the next 10 years. Many English speaking countries are having similar problems including Britain, USA, Canada and New Zealand. He said in recent times more teachers have gone on strike demanding more pay, which it is hoped, would bring more teachers into the fold and while some incentives exist to attract teachers to specific areas, most will agree that more has to be done. Technology provides many of the answers (but not all). Teachers must be constantly trained in emerging technologies. Human presence is indispensable to provide support and direction, no matter how much technology a child is surrounded by. Other solutions can come through better teacher training, adequate financial rewards and a clearly defined career path and the mentoring of students still at school who display an interest and aptitude in teaching. Phil said he is impressed with the commitment and dedication of the teachers who he works with and when he looks back on 34 years in education he can reflect on a career where he hopes he made a difference to some students lives.



Thanks by Alyson

## Thought of the Week - Ashley Constance

***Why does a slight tax increase cost you \$200  
and a substantial tax cut saves you \$30.***

## Member Happenings



### Anniversaries

### Birthdays

### Years of Service

John & Rosemary K - 09 Sep	Helen F - 02 Sep	Richard L	01 Sep	09 yrs
Colin & Cheryl M - 17 Sep	Alan D - 05 Sep	Alan H	09 Sep	13 yrs
Julie J & Alan M - 22 Sep	Colin M - 08 Sep	Katrin H	13 Sep	05 yrs
Alan & Catherine D - 26 Sep	Kim A - 08 Sep			

## Gallery



Georgie up to no good??



Linda doing a fine job



Matt gets a B- for sleeping in class

## News

**SNOW MUCH MORE FUN RUN** on 16 October 2011. More Marshalls are required.

**UPDATE ON DR BOB** Darrell G advised that Dr Bob is presently in respite at Sir Roden Cutler Village; more next week on contact details.

**ROTARY GSE TEAM** from Thailand, vocation water hydrology, will be here from 9 to 15 October. Chris A reported that the program was set out and host families arranged, and the community bus used to transport them. Past Treasurer Les S said that since purchasing the bus it has been used 151 times in 17 months.

**INVITATION TO OKTOBERFEST** at the Air Rifle Club from 4:00pm on 15 October 2011. A fund raiser for the SouthCare Helicopter. Plenty of music, dancing and entertainment. German cuisine. Adults \$25, Children \$12, under 12 are free.

**VALE** our deepest sympathy to Cheryl Mould and family on the loss of her father who passed away on Wednesday

**APOLOGIES** are now to be given to **DARRELL GAUKROGER** on 6452 1159.

**MEETING ON 14 SEPTEMBER** will be the visit by the District Governor and his wife, and will be at held at the Marlborough - a partner's night.

**COOMA LITTLE THEATRE** "Brothers Grim Spectaculathon" on 9, 10 16 and 17 September. Tickets \$20 adults, \$15 concession. Available from Cooma Visitors Centre.

**Next week's program: Club Assembly**

**No guests please.**

**Following week: District Governor  
"Official Visit"**

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