

## The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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**THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:** 27 out of 46 = 80.4% (Port??)

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** Nil

**GUESTS:** Maree (Kevin D), Fiona & Charlotte (Mark C), Irene (Steve S), Michael Bowman, Lara Sav, Linda (Club), Kim, Katie, Sarah, Cameron & Megan (Chris A), Jeanette (John C).

**APOLOGIES:** Tom B, Geoff B, Richard L, Cheryl & Colin M, Les S.

**LEAVE:** John M, Alan H, Brenda C-B, Robbyn C, Graham F, Jim H.

**WE ALSO MISSED:** Nil

**MAKEUPS:** Neil B (4 - Nepal)

## Duty Roster December and January

Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance
Dugald Mitchell	Margaret Echarri and Claire Neumeyer	<b>December</b> - Elaine Mooney and David Byrne
<b>Three Minuter</b> TBA		<b>January</b> - Rob Simms and John King

Property	Introduction	Markets
		Van (V) Market Reserve (MR)
<b>December</b> - Darrell Gaukroger and Patrick Kwan	N/A	<b>December</b> - Colin M (V), Elaine S, Steve S, John K, Cheryl M, Alyson H-J (PA), Mark Cooper (MR), David H (Coord)
<b>January</b> - Des Trute and Joe Vescio	<b>Vote of Thanks</b> N/A	<b>January</b> - Lou M (V), Richard L, Tom B, Robbyn C, Ken D, Alyson H-J (PA), John Clarke (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 Wednesdays

6:00pm for 6:30pm at

The Australian Hotel,  
Sharp Street, Cooma



# Weekly Bulletin



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## Who am I - Linda Lammensalo

**G**uest speaker was our

Finish Exchange Student Linda Lammensalo who gave us a report on family and Finland. The political presentation included a photo of the President Tara Halonen, their first woman president and report that Finland was the first in the world where women got the right to vote in 1906. Linda also showed us a photo of the Coat of Arms that includes a Lion with a sword and Linda gave us the quote "not giving up is the nature of Finns". In history she said Finland was inhabited in 8900BC and they declared



Independence in 1917 from the Swedes and Russians. Finland is often called the land of thousands of lakes and islands; there are 190,000 lakes and 180,000 islands. The winter and summer lasts four months and temperatures in summer reach +30°C and winter -30°C. The northern area is called Lapland and the most important city there is Rovaniemi, the official city of Santa Claus. School



Mark introduced Linda

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### Items of special interest:-

- December - Family Month
- January - Rotary Awareness Month
- February - World Understanding Month
- 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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## Linda Lammensalo cont.

starts at the age of 7 and is compulsory to 9th grade. All equipment and lunch is free. But in high school and university, books and equipment are charged. The most popular sports are ice hockey, ski jumping, skiing, F1 racing. Finland loves to beat Sweden and in 1995 won 4-1 and 2011 6-1 in ice hockey. Salmiakki which is a salty licorice is a famous Finnish food. Frazer is a popular chocolate, Mammi a traditional Easter dessert, Mustamakkara is a black sausage eaten in Tampere with lingonberry jam. Karelian pastry is a traditional substitute for bread, Pilma is a Finnish drink (sour milk). Also mentioned Christmas hams, rutabaga casserole, ianttuloatikko, potato and carrot casserole. The Sauna is a famous Finnish invention and temperatures in the sauna range between 80°C and 100°C. Linda showed pictures of landscapes, famous buildings and people. The most important industries are wood, metal, technology and electronics, but Nokia is one of the biggest and most important companies in Finland. Linda's pictures of home included everywhere covered in snow, her pet dog and her horse which she has ridden since she was five. An excellent presentation Linda and as Mark said at his introduction, your visit here was not good for Finland but great for us.



Linda was thanked by Michael and Lara

## Thought of the Week - President Katrin

*Great minds discuss ideas, average minds discuss events, small minds discuss people.*

## Member Happenings



Anniversaries	Birthdays	Years of Service
Matthew & Lisa T - 01 Dec	Les S - 04 Dec	Matthew T 01 Dec 01 yr
Tony & Carol S - 20 Dec	Judy T - 05 Dec	Elaine M 16 Dec 07 yrs
Chris & Kim A - 24 Dec	Jeannette C - 08 Dec	
Brian & Alyson J - 28 Dec	John C - 10 Dec	
Darrell & Marilyn G - 30 Dec	Elaine Moore - 18 Dec	
Lou & Elaine M - 31 Dec	Carol S - 21 Dec	
	Lainie L - 30 Dec	

## Gallery



## News

**CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY** is on 21 December 2011. Partner's night at The Alpine Hotel, cost is \$25 per head and numbers are required by 14 December.

**RELAY FOR LIFE** The Club is looking to take part on 13 December 2011.

**VITACALL** Elaine S received a cheque for the club amounting to \$552 for installations. Well done.

**NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE FORUM** in Canberra 15 and 18 January 2012. A sheet was passed around for volunteers to attend.

**OCTOBERFEST** A thank you from the Air Rifle Club for our catering.

**NEPAL** Neil Brown returned after delivering the clothing and cheque to the orphanage there, the owners have adopted 20 children aged 6 to 18; 8 girls and 12 boys.

**KEMABOLO PROJECT** Chris A requires volunteers on 17 December 2011 at the bike shed to clean bike parts ready for transportation.

**HAPPY 88TH BIRTHDAY** to Honorary Rotarian Keith Montague last Friday; as usual he was at the Festival Pool at 6.30am, but only swam 40 laps.

**Next week's program:** Annual General Meeting  
"Club Elections and Assembly" - no visitors please

**Following week:** Club Christmas Party  
Partner's Night



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