The Rotary Club of Cooma Inc.

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THIS WEEK'S ATTENDANCE: 38 members out of 42 = 90.5% (Katrin said yes to port)

VISITING ROTARIANS: Nil

GUESTS: Jenny Christopherson & Linda (Club), Ian McGufficke (John C), Tim Gotts (Geoff B).

MEETINGS:

We meet Wednesdays

6:00pm for 6:30pm at

The Australian Hotel,

137 Sharp Street, Cooma

APOLOGIES: Colin M, Joe V, Alan D. **LEAVE:** John M, Margaret H, Matthew T.

MAKEUPS: Nil

WE ALSO MISSED: Nil

Duty Roster February and March

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Thought of the Week	Fellowship	Attendance	
Marco Revelant	Margaret Echarri and	February - Richard Law-	
Three Minuter Kevin Dunne	Claire Neumeyer	son and Tom Bellgard March - Brenda Campbell- Brown and Patrick Kwan	
Property	Introduction	Markets Van (V) Market Reserve (MR)	
February - Ashley Constance and Cheryl Mould	John Vucic	February - Marco R (V), Jim H, Les S, Elaine M, Pat- rick K, Alyson H-J (PA), Brian J (MR) David H (Coordinator)	
March - Neil Brown and John Vucic	Vote of Thanks Ken Prendergast	March - John C (V), Graham F, Margaret E, Tom B, Ken P, Alyson H-J (PA), David B (MR) David H (Coordinator)	

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



Weekly Bulletin



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Veterinary - Jenny Christopherson

enny Christopherson who was introduced by her very proud father John King, started school in Berridale then in Cooma and graduated from Sydney University as a vet in 1995. Jenny worked at Berridale Veterinary Surgery until 1997, until the travel bug caused her to travel around the UK on a



working holiday. In 2003 Jenny married a 'pom' and set up a small animal 'pet' surgery in a country town in West Sussex, they now have four small animal 'pet' practices and six vet equine practices in the UK. They very specialist - separate farm, equine, exotics, small animal with very few jack of all trades. Forty years ago 40% of vets treated large animals, now only 6%. Individual vets are required for dairy, beef, sheep, game, birds, pigs and poultry. Equine practice is a very specialised field, working from a hospital, digital x-rays, endoscopy and ultrasonography in the field. Small animal 'pet' practice, dogs and cats account for 75% of the practice, but the fastest



Jenny introduced by John

growing area is rabbits, also treat rodents. reptiles and birds. Referral Centres have specialists in all disciplines - surgery, orthopedics, oncology, dermatology, ophthalmology, anesthetics, critical care, diagnostic imaging, neurology and internal medicine to named a few. This is all due to insurance which is actively encouraged, 40-50% of Jenny's clients have pet insurance. Acci-

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Items of special interest:-

- 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
- September Youth
 Activities Month

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Veterinary cont.

dent covers injury usually up to \$8000 for an individual, premiums from \$8 a month for a cat or rabbit, to \$50 a month for a large dog or horse. Jenny said this has a massive impact on the industry, and drives the standard of care and expectations to be as high or higher than that available for human healthcare. Women in vet practice - over 92% of graduates in UK are women. More flexible working hours, maternity leave and job sharing and other poorly paid professions require higher academic



Cheryl thanks Jenny

achievements. The practice in the UK has very qualified nursing staff who assist in similar nursing duties in hospitals. Jenny showed pictures of unusual pets such as hamsters, gerbils, chinchillas, degu. hedgehogs, rats and rabbits. Jenny's practice has a dedicated operating theatre, digital x-rays (the same as at local hospitals), dental suite, intensive care ward, dog, cat, rabbit hospital wards, intravenous drip pumps plus heaters, in house laboratory for blood and urine analysis and overnight accommodation for vets and nurses. Jenny also treated us to pictures of clinical cases the surgery has treated including a scavenger who ate a mobile phone, a Jack Russell terrier that had to have skin grafts and plastic surgery to repair severe degloving injuries and a border collie with external fixtures to repair a fractured tibia. A great presentation and no doubt the girl from Berridale has really done well.

Three Minuter - Ashley Constance

shley spoke on the activities of the Four Field Regiment, the Army Reserve unit in Cooma during his thirteen years as a member.



Thought of the Week - Ken Dane

A foolish insistence is that the hobgoblin of a small mind.

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Anniversaries	Birthdays	Years of Service	1)
Des & Judy T - 5 Feb Jim & Mary H - 5 Feb Claire & Hans N - 7 Feb David & Kathy B - 27 Feb	Irene S - 23 Feb Elaine M - 25 Feb	None this month	

Gallery



News

MICHELAGO joint meeting is on 14 March 2012. David Holgate is the organiser. **PNG** project working bee to repair bikes, is on Saturday 18 February. NORRIS PARK David H will be organising a working bee. **ROTARY FRIENDSHIP TEAM** from Taiwan has been deferred. **LAMBIE GORGE** project team members required to meet with Lions. POLIO ERADICATION COIN BOXES Please fill them (not with only five cent pieces) and bring them in please.

> Next week's program: Kate Roberts "Local Tourism, Town Landscaping"

Following week: Club Assembly No guests please

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