## Weekly Bulletin



### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

## Terry Charlton -The Learning Centre

Terry Charlton, of Snowy Hydro, with his minder David Hogan present to assist if necessary. Terry commented on the recent rain/inflows events, water storages, recovery, challenges of water management over the short and medium term. He gave us an update on dam level, a brief update on the business. - mild summer and winter, no price volatility, lower overall demand from industry (closures) and residential (changed consumption behaviour. His main talk was about the Learning Centre - A successful Snowy Hydro, needs a successful Cooma and region in order to attract and retain professional and skilled people. At present they have 50 vacancies across a workforce in the region of 450. A successful Cooma and Region is designed as a community that can provide (in order of our priority) spouse jobs, adult study opportunities, attractive housing with some capital appreciation potential, a choice of schooling through to HSC and arguably a choice of Local Higher Education, as wekk as good medical and GP facilitiies. The proposed Learning Centre is aims at meeting some of these objectives, namely spouse and employee enhanced education opportunities and in retaining families in the region who move away to follow children's or own education needs. The Learning Centre is not a complete option but if successful the learning centre concept will enhance the claim for

a campus in the future.



A Learning Centre would provide a place for students to congregate under loose supervision to work together on tertiary studies, with internet connections to University lectures, interactive audio visual. - their study place away from home, It would provide peer and some IT support.

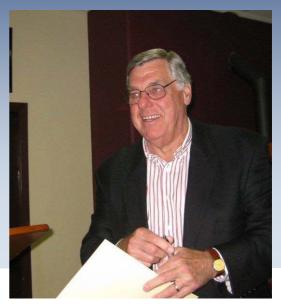
If the DA is approved by Council they will immediately commence building mods and extensions to cater for 40-50 students. It would provide work stations, lecture theatre,AV rooms, and kitchens. It will be open 9am to 9pm. Snowy Hydro will fund the extensions and operating costs. A small access fee is being considered.

Similar, but not identical, Learning Centres are operated by Unis such as Wollongong, and Bega. This proposal is unique because it is a company providing the capital and operating costs for the project. Itt is accessible for students across the community, not just for Company employees.

### WE MEET WEDNESDAYS 6:00PM FOR 6:30PM AT NAAZ INDIAN RESTAURANT, 161 SHARP STREET, COOMA

It is about giving a small but tangible step up to Cooma and the Region to attract and retain professional and skilled employees and retain HSC students within the region, enabling them to be home with family.

Terry said his greatest concern is the level of active interest and take-up. I suspect it will be more successful than we anticipated. Subject to DNA approval they hope to offer places for first semester in 2013.







## Three Minuter

John King shared an embarrassing incident with us where he strapped his baby daughter Jenny in the seat in the back of the car, drove into Cooma where he left Jenny in the car while he did a quick shop. He came back, got in the car and drove off. He then heard an unusual voice in the rear seat, looked around and saw a baby boy there. He then turned the wrong car around and went back to where his car was parked and happily Jenny was still in it.

The contact for making apologies and for notification of guests for dinner meetings is Les Sutcliffe on 6452 7442 during business hours or e-mail leecooma@bigpond.com

## News

Michelago Meeting On 14 March, numbers should now be confirmed

March Polio Eradication

Sir William Hudson

Fete

On 1 April 2012, wine need for auction please

**April** Rotary Magazine

**Market Day** 

18 March will also be Harmony Day. Several Groups including dance (and Dave H's Coco Loko girls in their bikinis. Neil B with Shelter Box display. Volunteers from 8am to help set up stage.

**May** Planning

**Monaro Country Music Muster** 

30 March to 1 April for Monaro Committee for Cancer Research Friday 30 March at Ex-services Club Tickets \$20 (\$5 to MCCR) Saturday 31 March Cooma Country Bowling Club Ipm Bush Poetry (\$2 included afternoon tea). 7pm Walk up Concert (\$5 includes light super Poets and Musicians welcome to perform) Sunday 1 April 1am to 4pm concert in Centennial Park Bring a chair or rug - if raining will move to Ex-services club- Donations gratefully accepted. For inquiries contact Elaine S on 64529255 or Email ainee.pv@hotmail.com

**June** Fellowship

> **July** Literacy

August
Membership
Extension

St Judes School

2 April 2012St Judes SchoolTanzaniar are having their 10<sup>th</sup> Aniversary Tour of NSW and the ACT – will be at St Edmunds School Manuka from 8.15am. Bookings lgair@stedmunds.acd.adu.au.

Wine and cheese night Monday 2 April 0 4.30pm. Australian Catholic Bishops Conference 63 Currajong Street, Braddon – Bookings essential to Beth Doherty

0407 081 156. Suggested donation \$20,

**District Conference** 

21 to 22 May 2012 - Richard Lawson to attend

President's elect seminar.

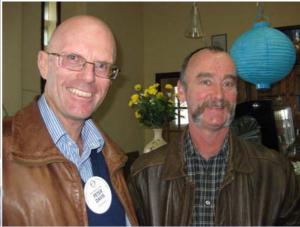
**World President of Rotary** 

At Helenic Club - Canberra - Dinner 6.30 for 7pm on

23May 2012.

Rotary club members and enjoy the company of guests





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### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK Joe V**

Do not impose on others what you yourself don't desire.

Next Weeks Program	Three Minuter	Though of the Week
Tuggeranong meeting at Michelago	N/A	Katrin H
Following Week Program		
ТВА	ТВА	

This Weeks Attendance: 30 out of 46 - 65.2%

Visiting Rotarians: Nil

Guests: Robert & Carol Thomas (Katrin H) Swedor Tamraker (Geoff B), Mark John-Natley (John C) Allan Fiording

(Tony S) Jan (Les S) Terry Charlton & David Hogan, Linda L (Clud)

Apologies: David B, Brenda CB, Ashley C, Kevin D, Brian J, Cheryl & Colin M, Peter A, Alan D

Leave: John M, Not Supplied

Makeups: N/A

We also Missed: Not Supplied

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Rosters	March	April
Attendance	Brenda CB	Ken D
	Patrick Kwan	Matthew T
Property	Neil B	Richard L
	John V	Alan D
	John C (Van)	Dave L (Van
Markets	Graham F	Dougald M
	Margaret E	Colin M
	Tom B	Cherly M
	Ken P	Robbyn C
	Alyson H-J (PA)	Alyson 4-J(PA)
	David B (MR)	Joe V (MR)
	David 4 (Coordinator)	David H (Coordinator)
	Chirs A (Coffee)	Chirs A (Coffee)
Fellowship	Margaret E	Margaret E
	Claire N	Claire N

#### **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 lager 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 8.30am.

**Member Happenings** 

Anniversaries	Birthdays	Years of Service
Tom & Kath B – 24 Mar Richard & Lainie L – 30 March	Sonia V – 6 Mar Margaret E – 13 Mar David H – 18 Mar Yvonne M – 31 Mar	Ken D 10 Mar 52 yrs Brenda C-B 25 Mar 3 yrs