

### **Peace Through Service**

## Guest Speaker: District Governor Phil Armstrong Intro: John V Thanks: Mark C

Our special guest speaker this week was our District Governor Phil Armstrong. He has long ties with Rotary starting with his father who was a member of Temora and Goulburn Mulwaree. Phil was a member of Rotoract and attended RYLA in the late 70's. He joined Moruya Rotary Club in 2000 and has held several positions in that club and in the district. A highlight of note in his Rotary career was being award a Paul Harris fellowship in 2008.

One of the main thoughts of his presentation was Rotary International President Sakuji Tanaka's theme "Peace through Service". He said putting service above self allows us to focus our energies on what is truly important and putting common good above our own is creating a foundation for a more peaceful world. He also touched on the 3 principles of the Rotary International strategic plan, these are to support and strengthen clubs, to focus and increase humanitarian service and to enhance public image and awareness.

Phil also spoke about goals for the Rotary Foundation, he said he would like to see an increase of 10%. He floated the idea of donating \$1 or \$2 per week which over a short time would see significant increases. This is our charity and it does a lot of good in the world. Funds are available from the foundation to support 6 different areas. These are: Peace and Conflict Prevention and Resolution; Water and Sanitation; Disease Prevention and Treatment; Maternal and Child Health; Basic Education and Literacy and Economic Development.

He also reminded us that clubs need to start to prepare for the Foundation's change of theme to "Future Visions". This will occur as of 1st July 2013 and district training will be rolled out in early 2013.

Another topic close to DG Phil's heart is the retention of members. In District 9710 we still have the same number of members as last year, even though there has been an influx of new members. He said what we need to do is keep good Rotary members while encouraging new members. Phil also said let us support all of the great programs under New Generation, develop good citizenship and certainly encourage further development of Interact and Rotoract.

In closing Phil acknowledge the good work being undertaken with our PNG projects and accepted the Peace Cranes, some that were made at the last meeting, from Katrin.







Katrin & DG Phil with Peace Cranes



Chris A & DG Phil

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### **PEACE THROUGH SERVICE**

### THREE MINUTER

This week we heard from Brenda C-B who spoke on St Andrews in Scotland where she lived. The town was a small settlement until St Rule, who believed he had a holy mission to take the bones of St Andrew to the furthest corner of the earth arrived there. The town become known as St Andrews in honour of the bones of the saint. Brenda told us about the main features of the town, they are a castle where the archbishops and bishops resided, the University (where Prince William and Kate Middleton met), the most famous golf course in the world and a dungeon, called the bottle dungeon, this described its entrance because it was shaped like a bottle neck. If you were to be imprisoned there and had the means you could persuade the guards to let you climb down a ladder otherwise you were just tossed down. It is a place from which some religious prisoners planned to dig their way to freedom but ended up being intercepted by the French who were there to assist in dislodging the Protestant lairds. She finished by telling us that it is a wonderful place to visit.

## **Photo Gallery**







DG Phil & David B



John & DG Phil



Ainslie & John K



Chris, Anton (ADG), Steve & Kevin



Jan J-N & Lea

#### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Rob S**

The evil that men do live after them, the good is often interred with their boned.

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### **PEACE THROUGH SERVICE**

WE MEET WEDNESDAYS 6.00PM FOR 6.30PM
AT THE SOVEREIGN MOTEL (OPPOSITE KENTUCKY FRIED) SHARP ST. COOMA

# Theme of the Month for Cooma Rotary: New Generations

### THIS WEEK'S NEWS

Best wishes and good thoughts to Neil and David as they cross county ski up Mt Kosciuszko this weekend to put in place an emergency Shelter Box. We look forward to hearing how it went when they get back.

Peter D informed us that the next PNG Project is underway. He and 4 other volunteers plan to complete 3 projects. The first is to put 2 water tanks in at Bisiatabus School which has 196 student and no clean drinking water. The second project is to install water tanks at Sogeri Village Medical Centre and the third is to place tanks at Sogeri school.

The September market was held in agreeable weather. We welcomed the return of the Adams family coffee stall. Elaine Schofield persuaded Ron Millner & Gayleen Jennings to come along to perform. They were much appreciated and we hope they can come again. Financially we were successful to the extent of \$1958 profit with 39 stalls.

Ainslie Matier of the Oaktree Foundation, which is an organisation run by people aged from 16 to 26, spoke to us about the next major event they are holding. In early March 2013 the are taking 1300 young people on road trips all across Australia to raise awareness of the extreme poverty that currently exists in the 3rd world and their attempt to eradicate it. This is a group the empowers young people to feel like they can make a difference in the world.

For details contact Ainslie on 0448 740 814 or akmatier@gmail.com or www.theroadtrip.com.au

Chris Adams has organised to have Christmas Cakes made locally this year (not the one's in tins). The cost is \$25 for a high quality, great tasting cake and they will be more profitable for the club. Please give your orders to Elaine S, ASAP.

**Notes for your diary:** the meeting on 3rd October will be held at Lichfield Wool, the club is self catering and Dave H will need some Rotarians to assist with the transportation of tables and chairs to and from the meeting. Lea will be speaking to us on 10th October.

This Weeks Attendance: 32 out of 39 - 82%

Visiting Rotarians: Anton Penner ADG, Phil Armstrong DG

Guests: Jan J-N (Mark J-N), Maree (Kevin D) Lea (Club), Georgie (Ashley C), Ainslie Matier (John K)

Apologies: Peter A, John C, Jim H, Patrick K.

Leave: Les S

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ROSTERS	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER
Attendance	Lou Claire	Katrin Elaine S
Property	Katrin Brian	John C David B
Fellowship	Margaret E Clair N	Margaret E Clair N
Markets	David H - Co-ord Alyson H-J - PA Darrell - MR John C - V Joe Marco Claire Tom	David H - Co-ord Alyson H-J - PA Peter A - MR David B - V Neil Hass Kevin Marco

#### 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 8.30am.

Next Weeks Program	Three Minuter	Thought of the Week
Guest Speaker: Justine McKeogh & Steve Mayhew - Project for Cooma Public School	26 Sept - Rob S	26 Sept - Claire N
Intro: Peter A		
Thanks: Margaret H		

### **MEMBER HAPPENINGS**

MEMBER HALLERINGS			
<b>ANNIVERSARIES</b>	BIRTHDAYS	YEARS OF SERVICE	
John & Rosemary King 42 yrs -12th	Alan Dodd - 5th	Katrin Hackney 6 yrs - 13th	
Alan & Catherine Dodd 12 yrs - 26th	Claire Neumeyer - 19th		
	Darrell Gaukroger - 25th		
	Helen French spouse of Graham 2nd		
	Kim Adams spouse of Chris 8th		

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