

Rotary Club of Cooma Inc Meeting – 29 January 2014

Keith Goodwin - Bowls with flat sole shoes or bare feet at the Cooma Bowling Club



We had something totally different this week - our guest speaker Keith got us to bowl at the bowling club.



There is only now or too late—Ahn Do

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THREE MINUTER

The 3 Minuter was presented this week by Kevin D. Recently he attended the Australian Open held at the Melbourne Tennis Centre in Melbourne. He attended the Quarter finals during the day at the Melbourne Tennis Centre which is adjacent to the Melbourne Cricket Ground and the home of Dave H's beloved Melbourne Storm, AMMI stadium.

The Melbourne Tennis Centre contains the Rod Laver Arena, Hisense arena which both have roofs. There is also 12 indoor courts, which are mostly new along with 34 outdoor courts 8 of which are clay courts. Rod Laver arena seats 14,820 people and is full for most of the event. Hisense is a multi-purpose arena which during the tennis seats 5000 people but depending on the function can seat up to 10,000. Both arenas are used for concerts and other activities throughout the year. There is one other major arena at the Tennis Centre which is the Margaret Court Arena and it is getting a roof next year.

Some stat's from the 2 weeks of the Australian Open - over 600,000 people attended, a total of \$33M in prize money, singles winners were Stan Wawrinka and Li Na, the day's play starts at 11 am and finishes when the final match of the day ends. Tickets cost vary from \$39 for a single ground pass or \$134 for a family early in the first week which then increase to \$70 for a single later in the event. Tickets to the main arenas cost more. Prices for the finals increase from \$140 for a day pass or \$129 for a night pass to the quarter finals. The day pass gives you 3 games and the night pass gives you one singles game and a doubles or mixed doubles game. A semifinal costs \$224, to attend the women's final it is \$294 and the men's final costs \$394.

Kevin books his tickets in October and always gets seats in the shade. This year he was lucky enough to have seats 8 rows behind the players entourage. It was awesome to be so close to the players and the action. The players he saw were Li Na vs Flavia Pennetta, Anna Ivanovic vs Eugine Boucard, Thomas Berdych vs David Ferrer and Rafael Nadal vs Grigor Demitriov, a game which Raffa was lucky to win.

Accommodation in Melbourne at this time is not cheap, for a room with 2 bedrooms it cost \$300/per night and you would be lucky to find anything cheaper. Transport in Melbourne is amazing with trams which run right past the venue and trains that stop at Richmond station which is then an easy walk to the Tennis Centre.

Kevin said he is envious of Melbourne's sporting facilities.

Rotary Theme of the Month:

World Understanding Month

Announcements

John K announced the profit from the Australia Day BBQ was \$1,447.55. Thank to all who volunteered.

Darrell thanked members on behalf of Keith for attending the evenings bowling and also shared that Keith is a past President of Cooma Rotary and had the honour of inducting the first 2 female members into the club.

There is an Open Day at the Cooma Bowling Club on the 8 February and anyone interested in attending should contact the Club for details ph: 6452 1229

This Weeks Attendance: 70%

Visiting Rotarians: None

Guests: Keith Goodwin, Rebecca (Club), Mary Hatfield (Jim H), Jan Sutcliff (Les S), Janette Clarke (John C)

Apologies: Leave:

Make-ups:

We Also Missed:

February Rosters	
Attendance	Tom B
	Kevin D
Property	Les S
	Peter D
Fellowship	Margaret E
	Claire N
Market 16 Feb	John K - Co-ord
	Alyson - PA
	Joe V
	Des T
	Mark C
	Ken D
	Peter D
	Graham F
3 Minute Talk	
05-Feb	Margaret E
12-Feb	Graham F
19-Feb	Darrell G
26-Feb	Brian J
Thought of the week	
05-Feb	David H
12-Feb	Alyson HJ
19-Feb	Brian J
26-Feb	Mark JN
Thank you	
05-Feb	Patrick K
12-Feb	Wolfgang L
19-Feb	Richard L
26-Feb	Dugald M
Introduction	
05-Feb	Elaine M
12-Feb	Claire N
19-Feb	Marco R
26-Feb	Elaine S

Upcoming Speakers

5 Feb - Helen French - Inside Story of Felting

12 Feb - Darrell G - Rotary Friendship Exchange USA

19 Feb - Jane Cay @ Birdsnest

26 Feb - Dr Kylie Fardell Army Medicine

MEMBER HAPPENINGS February

BIRTHDAYS

Elaine M - 25 Feb

JOINING DATE

None reported

ANNIVERSARIES

Des & Judy Trute - 5 Feb

Claire & Hans Neumeyer - 7 Feb

David & Kathy Byrne - 27 Feb

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