

## **Rotary Club of Cooma Inc**

Rotary Theme:

Rotary Foundation

Meeting - 11 November 2015

**Guest speaker – Winston Phillips** 



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THANK YOU to everyone who has helped in the past weeks – the sausage-sizzlers at Cooma North School, the busking dollar sellers, the workers on the barbecue at the Motorfest. It has been a busy time and it means we have raised our profile in the community as well as raising funds.



The canine carnival will be held on the last weekend of November. John K will be asking for volunteers in the next couple of weeks. If you are unable to attend any meeting YOU SHOULD CONTACT DARRELL GAUKROGER by LUNCH TIME THE TUESDAY before the meeting. Failure to do this will mean that you will be asked to pay for the meal. Darrell's contact details are:- Email - dgcooma@bigpond.net.au





## **MEETING STATISTICS:**

ATTENDANCE: 79.5%

GUESTS: Winston Phillips and Ally (club) APOLOGIES: Dave B, Brad, Ash, Peter, Tom K, Marco, Allan S, Les, Meg, John K Neil,

Dave B, Mark C, Tom K, Joe LEAVE: Tom S, John Cl, Mark L



## **THREE MINUTER**

Elaine spoke about some of the events in Cooma, 1949-1959: the start of the Snowy scheme and the turning of the first sod; the arrival of the first New Australians for the scheme; the big flood; the huge snow fall that caused the statue to fall from the front of the convent building and the people skiing down Radio Hill; the making of the film, 'The Sundowners' and the locals' attempts to spot the stars, Peter Ustinov, Robert Mitchum and Deborah Kerr.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: (Les) A critic is someone who knows how to get there but can't drive a car.

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NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
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<u>Attendance</u>	
Tom K, Tony	Jacob, Les
<u>Property</u>	
Geoff, Helen	John K, Wolfgang
<u>Fellowship</u>	
Danielle, Meg	Danielle, Meg
Claire, Elaine S	Brenda, Meg
Three Minuter	
	2/12 Elaine S
<b>18/11 Claire</b>	9/12 Sue
25/11 Marco	16/12 Tom S
Intro	-
	2/12 Tony
18/11 Tom S	9/12 Les
25/11 Rob	16/12 Danielle
Thanks	•
	2/12 Dave B
18/11 Jacob	9/12 Brenda
25/11 John B	16/12 Mark C
Sgt/Thought	
	2/12 Mark C
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18/11 Meg	9/12 Tom K
25/11 Joe	16/12 Wolfgang
<u>Markets</u>	

18/11 Meg 9/12 Tom K
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John K, Alyson, John K, Alyson,
Tom K, Jim, Peter A, Jacob,
Meg, Wolfgang, Dave B, Sue,
Joe Mark C

## **NOVEMBER DATES**

BIRTHDAYS: Katrin and Danielle 3/11, John M and Graham 16/11
ANNIVERSARIES: Kevin and Maree 5/11
DATE JOINED ROTARY: Joe 18/11, Allan S
27/11



Rotary Learning Initiative – a series of fast paced, interactive courses offered to refine Rotarians' leadership skills and increase their base knowledge of Rotary. Dates for the three days of the course are Feb 14, March 13 (Note change of date) and April 17 2016. Venues could be shared between Cooma, Nimmitabel and Bombala. Contact Jacqui Page, ph 0409 719516,

email: <u>jacquipage@bigpond.com</u> Julia Pedler, ph 0416170012, email: <u>julia.pedler@pedler.id.au</u>



RYLA is coming up in January – open to people 18-25 y.o. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please let them know about the course and inform Ash. Brenda, Les and Ash worked through the process of obtaining the Working With Children certification. Anyone can do it by going through the website. Make sure that you tick the box for either club service or volunteer.



A reminder that subs are now due. They can be paid in two instalments.











**GUST SPEAKER: Winston Phillips** 

An avid war historian, Winston spoke of some of his personal experiences when visiting some of battlefield sites of World War 1. He visited Polygon Wood, Bullecourt, and walked from Ypres to Passchendaele. Near one of the battlefields, he made friends with a pub owner, Johann van der Wal, a man who is vitally interested in the war history. Winston spoke of the great regard in which Australian soldiers are held. He visited graves of members of his family, finding gravestones close together of his relatives who were not connected at the time but were united because of the marriage of Winston's parents. He also visited Waterloo.













