

## **Rotary Club of Cooma Inc**

Rotary Theme: Youth Service

Meeting - 25 May 2016

**Guest Speaker – Michael Daniel** 



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Rotary Learning Initiative – The final session is in Cooma in June. Contact Sharon Thomas, ph 0411065044, <a href="mailto:sharonrotary@outlook.com">sharonrotary@outlook.com</a>
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3rd session: International Service and making connections around the world, Effective Leadership Strategies, Exploring opportunities for personal, community and professional growth and development, Public Image & Public Relations, Undertaking meaningful Vocational Service Activities, and finally, Making a Difference using your own experience and growth through RLI to help improve the path for others to follow. All welcome.





**ROSTER - JUNE** 

Attendance: Alyson, Erica

Property: Jan, Des

Fellowship: Brenda, Graham

3 Minuter: 1/6 Jeannette

8/6 Changeover 15/6 Brad 22/6 Richard B

29/6 Jan

Intro: 1/6 Alyson

8/6 Changeover 15/6 John K 22/6 Dugald 29/6 Marco

Thanks: 1/6 John Ch

8/6 Changeover

15/6 Tony 22/6 Meg 29/6 Sue

Sgt/Thought 1/6 John B

8/6 Changeover 15/6 Tom K 22/6 Marco 29/6 Danielle

Markets 19/6 John K, Alyson, Tom S, Meg,

Danielle, Des, Darrell Coffee van: Mark JN +

A reminder from John K: if you are rostered on to work at any function, please attend, or else arrange a substitute. THIS ALSO APPLIES TO DUTIES AT CLUB MEETINGS. PLEASE CHECK THE ROSTER EACH WEEK.

## **MEETING STATISTICS**

Attendance: 78%

Guests: Michael Daniel (Club), Joe Bujalski

(John), Carlo Botto (Neil)

Apologies: Geoff and Helen, Richard B, Brad,

Katrin, Joe, Jan, Kevin

Leave: Mark L, Peter, John Cl

## **COMING MEETINGS**

1 June: Ally Johns

8 June: Changeover dinner

May dates:

Birthdays – Hans (Claire) 1/5, Jim 2/5, Mary (Jim) 4/5, John K 7/5, Alyson 19/5

Date joined Rotary - Peter A 12/5, Bob King

13/5 (62 years), Margaret 24/5

## ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE THE WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK.

Bowel Care Program, 1 April – 31 May: Kits are available from Hooks, Berridale and Jindabyne Pharmacies, cost \$15. As bowel cancer is one cancer that is curable if caught early, it is important for everyone to be tested.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Meg

Children are happy because they don't have file in their minds called, 'All the things that could go wrong'.



Ash told us about the weekend in the Victorian high country, spent with some friends and Ally. She had always wanted to go camping and four-wheel-driving. They drove as high as Mt Pinnabar and investigated an old gold mine. His three week old vehicle fortunately had a winch attached.....the winch was needed.

Thank you to Dugald for offering his home for a cocktail party to farewell Mary and Jim Hatfield.

John K: At the garage sale at Tynebank at Numeralla a total of \$150 was made. If you have a Rotary apron at home, please return it as well as any tea towels.



In his three minuter, Graham told us about his time getting to know the Monaro. He first came to visit in the 40s and 50s and he was introduced to skiing. His degrees in architecture and engineering facilitated his employment with the Department of Works when he looked after Tidbinbilla, Honeysuckle Creek and Aurora Valley, the three tracking stations in ACT. From there he was employed by Leightons and worked on the Monaro and high country. He had formed a cooperative and then they proceeded to build a ski lodge. He and Helen love the Monaro and after having a farm at Bunyan, retired to live in Cooma.



















**GUEST SPEAKER: Michael Daniel** 

Monaro Rail Trail Inc has the mission: to put the disused Monaro railway line to productive use, boosting tourism, the economy and the wellbeing of the region, while preserving the wonderful old buildings, bridges and tunnels that are part of our history.

 Australia has more than 100 rail trails established with a total length exceeding 2000 kms.  The Tumbarumba Rosewood trail will be the first to be built in NSW on a recently closed government legislated rail corridor.



The Yarra Valley Rail Trail in Victoria



**Gippsland Plains Rail Trail** 

The Monaro Rail Trail, Michelago to Bombala, a 5 day cycling trip, would bring economic benefits through tourism as well as environment and cultural awareness, health benefits and improved facilities in the region. The area is very similar to Otago in New Zealand, its trail attracting 15,000 users in 2015.



The Rail Trail in Otago

Bringing the dream of the Monaro Rail Trail to fruition requires the support of many people, to demonstrate to the state government that it is a worthwhile option. A feasibility study would probably cost \$30,000 which has to be raised without government help.

