



Rotary Club of Cooma Inc

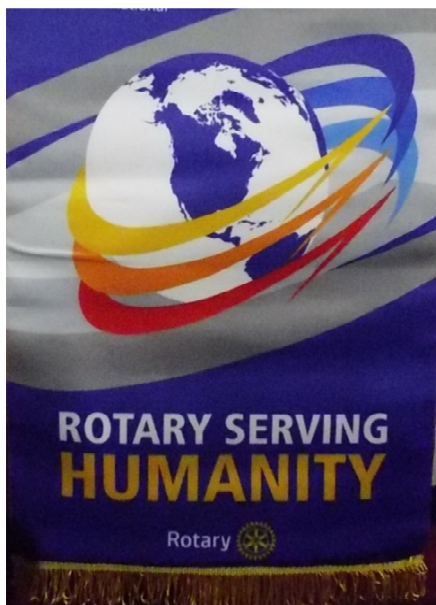
Rotary Theme: Changeover

Meeting – 13 July 2016

Guest Speaker – Richard Hill

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MEETING STATISTICS

Attendance: 72%

Visiting Rotarians: Anne Oxley (Noosa Daybreak), Tony Oxley (Noosa Heads)

Guests: Richard Hill (club), Ruth Petersen (Helen and Geoff), Carol (Tony)

Apologies: Alyson, Erica, Joe, Kevin, Brad

Leave: Brenda, Ash, Dave B, Mark C, John C, John Ch



Next meeting:

20/7 - Joe Vescio: Council Amalgamation

27/7 - Quiz

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

Rotary Learning Initiative – The final session is in Cooma at a date to be determined. Contact Maureen Manning, email: mmmannin@bigpond.com

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 - JULY

Attendance: Helen, Geoff
Property: Elaine S, John B
Fellowship: Richard H, Mark JN
3 Minuter: 20/7 Sue 27/7 Richard B
Intro: 20/7 Richard L 27/7 Erica
Thanks: 20/7 Hass 27/7 Graham

ROSTER – AUGUST

Attendance: Darrell, Jeannette
Fellowship: Ashley, Peter
Property: Sue, Tony
3 Minuter: 3/8 Carlo 10/8 Elaine M
17/8 Richard L 24/8 John K 31/8 Graham
Intro: 3/8 Des 10/8 Allan S 17/8 Elaine S
24/8 Elaine M 31/8 Marco
Thanks: 3/8 Tom K 10/8 Meg 17/8 Jan
24/8 Richard H 31/8 David H
Markets: John K, Alyson, Brad, John Cl, Brenda, Elaine S, Carlo; Coffee van: Mark JN, Erica

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.

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
Phone - 6452 1159 Mobile - 0407 411 422

The committee of the Bowling Club would be very grateful if our members were to become members of their club: \$15 membership annually which helps with maintenance of the clubhouse and facilities.

Members, volunteers and friends of Red Cross are invited to attend the Country Zone 9 Conference on Tuesday 6 September at the Ex-Serices Club from 10am. Cost will be \$20 which will cover lunch and morning tea. RSVP 22 August

Claire: Rotary Spring Ball – 27 August, 7.30-11pm. Music by Mikelangelo and the Black Sea Gentlemen. Tickets are \$50 per head and are available at the Fabric Salon.

A letter has been received from the Ti-Tree Trust where our shed is. New gates have been installed and members are asked to ensure that the gates are closed after they visit the shed.

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



THOUGHT OF THE WEEEEK: Mark JN

Action creates its own courage and courage is as contagious as fear. (Eleanor Roosevelt)

Elaine S: the duck race is on again on the market day in October. She is looking for prizes so if anyone could help she would be grateful.

JULY DATES:

Birthdays – Dave L 7/7, Tony 8/7, Christina 12/7
Anniversaries – Tom and Meg 14/7
Date joined Rotary: Peter 1/7, Helen 6/7, Jim 24/7

News of members: Rob is settling at Yallambree and can have short visits; Jim was a guest at the Moama Rotary Club with a view to becoming a member.



**GUEST SPEAKER – Richard Hill of Macenmist
Black Truffles and Wines**

Located 8km from Bredbo, Richard and Barbara's truffiere features truffle hunts and private events such as dinner and wine tasting. There are three types of trees used on the farm: Hazelnut, English Robor Oak and French Hek Oak. These trees were first planted in 2008 and have been inoculated with tuber melanosporum, the Perigord Black Truffle.

Dogs are used to locate the truffles which have been likened to underground mushrooms. They use air currents to detect the presence of ripe truffles. Mecenmist's dog is Fahren, a Logotto Romagnolo or Italian Truffle dog.

The farm, about 200 acres, was originally part of Bredbo Station. Truffles require poor soil with a ph of 7.5 – 8.5. On one acre, they added 72 tonnes of lime to bring the ph up from 5.8. A lot of work was required to work the lime into the soil. The next step was to erect secure fencing – to keep out rabbits, and now wombats, and then irrigation. 400 trees were planted.

The trees and truffles have a symbiotic relationship: the trees take nutrients from the truffles that have taken nutrients from the soil. Once the truffle spores mate, they can't take carbohydrates from the soil but they can take them from the trees.

Note: Perigord Black Truffles can fetch up to \$3000 per ounce.



**The Interactors were hard at work at the
markets selling cakes**



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