

Rotary Club of Cooma Inc

Rotary Theme: New Generations

Meeting - 21 September 2016

Guest Speaker – Mark Williams

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MEETING STATISTICS

Attendance: 81 %

Guests: Anette, Mark Williams (club), Ruth

Petersen (Helen and Geoff)

Apologies: Jacob, Brenda, Ash, Jan, Meg, Sue,

Brad, John B (late apology)

Leave: John Cl

Make-ups: Jeannette

Next meeting: 29/9 - Carlo



Katrin: The organisers of the Snowies Bike Festival which is being held 25-27 November are asking for hosts for elite athletes, some international, for b/b for 3-7 days. Please let Katrin know if you can help with billets as the organisers would like to have all arrangements in place asap. The first French billet will stay with Mark and Fiona C. Check the website:

in2adventure.com.au

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 – SEPTEMBER (Thanks to Mark JN)

Attendance: Katrin, Elaine
Fellowship: Tom, Wolfgang
Property: Hass, John Ch
3 Minuter: 28/9 Hass
Intro: 28/9 John K
Thanks: 28/9 Meg
Thought: 28/9 Tony

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Attendance: Jacob, Darrell Fellowship: Carlo, Sue Property: Erica, Neil

3 Minuter: 5/10 Darrell 12/10 Danielle

19/10 Jacob 26/10 Katrin

Intro: 5/10 Hass 12/10 Brad

19/10 John Ch 26/10 Elaine M

Thanks: 5/10 Elaine S 12/10 Jan

19/10 John B 26/10 Sue

Thought: 5/10 Helen 12/10 Carlo

19/10 Marco 26/10 Danielle

Markets: John K, Alyson, Peter (van), Graham, Allan S, Jeannette, Danielle; Coffee:

Mark JN, John Ch, trainee

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

ALL MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE THE WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK. Tom will help anyone who is having difficulty with the application.

Elaine S: The duck race is on again on the market October day. Now that tickets have been distributed, everyone is asked to sell as many as possible.

Rob has moved to the BUPA Centre, 142 Carrington Rd, Waverley, his phone number: 83059219.

Bob King, one of the club's original members, will be celebrating his 90th on 23 October with a lunch at noon at the Ex-Services Club. RSVP TO DARRELL BY FRIDAY 1 OCTOBER. Please keep these dates in mind. However, if you are down at the coast on that weekend, 'there will be a wing ding at the Tilba Winery on Saturday afternoon 15th October. This is basically for my family but friends will be welcomed.' (Bob's message)



DISTRICT CONFERENCE - GOULBURN: 27-30 October. Everyone is urged to attend. Check it out on

http://conference.rotaryd9710.org.au/home.html



SEPTEMBER DATES

Birthdays: Helen (Graham) 2/9, Alan D 5/9, Jan 7/9, Leanne (John B) 9/9, Allan S 15/9, Claire 19/9, Darrell 25/9, Tom 26/9

Anniversaries: John and Leanne 6/9, John and

Rosie 12/9

Date joined Rotary: Katrin 13/9

It is with regret that we received word from Margaret Echarri that she is retiring from active involvement in the club.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK – Alyson Don't make excuses, make improvements.



Annual subs - \$250, payable within 28 days. Direct deposit can be made BSB 062523, account no 00905107. Dues can be paid in two instalments of \$125. If you wish to donate to Rotary Foundation in order to acquire a receipt for tax purposes, you can add that amount to the dues. Thank you to all who have already paid.



On this coming Monday, 26 September, there will be a screening of the winning films in the YOOFTube competition at the Snowy Hydro Information Centre. The club supported this competition through a donation of \$1000. See https://southeastarts.org.au/yooftube-short-film-competition-2/



John reported on the markets that were washed out: bbq and stalls - \$319, coffee van - \$154. Thank you Erica for the soup.



THREE MINUTER – John Chapman

John conducted an interactive talk on the various walking tracks around Cooma, including Ayers Rock, Wattle Gully and Mt Gladstone. He spoke about a relic of British colonisation, the Hash House Harriers. Here in Cooma they run on Mondays at 6.30pm. Check out the website for the starting point each week.



Busking: Allan showed us a sample of the poster for the Australian Busking Championships and reported that work is proceeding on the website as well as the CD. He attended a music trade show in Melbourne, inspiring interest in the competition from music shops in other areas. He mentioned several local bodies who have donated prize money and the number of entrants at this stage being 24. The club is supporting the people's choice awards with \$2000.





The club's finances have been audited satisfactorily.

Macular Disease Photographic Competition from 30 August to 18 October. Entry forms available from Mark C.





GUEST SPEAKER - Mark Williams

Originally from Nowra, Mark began his sporting career early, playing cricket and rugby league. He arrived in Cooma 40 years ago and worked for the Cooma-Monaro Shire Council.

He spoke about the history of rugby league in Cooma, beginning in the late 20s. Team names were the Greens and the Blacks, games being held against Bombala and Bibbenluke. As time went on and the population increased because of the Snowy Mountains Scheme, there were up to 8 teams, names including Public Service, St Pats, Rovers, Cooma. The Alpine Wanderers

team was a combination of Rovers and Cooma in about 1971, to be replaced by Cooma United in 1973. In 1976, Mick Pearson, nicknamed the Stallion, was killed in a car accident, and the team adopted his nickname to become the Stallions. The team has won three premierships. There have been some good coaches, eg Tony Miller who came from England, Buck Rogers, and Neil Henry who will be here next year for a heritage game.

At present there are 10 teams in the junior comp with a strong junior committee. The senior committee consists of 22 members, also a strong body.

Fundraising is always needed, especially as the insurance for the club is \$10,000 and gear has to be supplied for the players. Mark has worked as a coach and administrator for the Cooma club, and generally has been an important and reliable supporter.



A recent innovation is the introduction of women's tag league teams, their games being very good for spectators to enjoy.

Mark and Trish have met lots of people through supporting their boys and their sport. Sam's career as a professional sportsman has taken the family to many centres.

