



ROTARY

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MEETING STATISTICS

Attendance: 81.6%

Visiting Rotarian: Janine Linklater (Hall)

Guests: Deborah Pagler (Sue), Yvonne Mercer (John)

Apologies: Carlo, John B, Ash, Brenda and Joe
Leave: Brad

**Next meeting: Representatives of
the Red Cross**

Rotary Club of Cooma Inc

*January Theme: Peace & Conflict
Prevention / Resolution*

Meeting – 15 February 2017

Guest Speaker – Mark John-Natley



**Congratulations to Meg and Tom
on your engagement**



ROSTERS:

FEBRUARY

Attendance: Elaine S, Richard B
Fellowship: Katrin, Kevin
Property: Tony, Peter
3 minuter: 22/2 Tony
Intro: 22/2 Ken
Thanks: 22/2 Jan
Markets: John K, Alyson, Ash, Brian J, John Cl, Brenda, Jeannette, Elaine M
Coffee van: Mark JN, Sue

Dinner attendance: Apologies and guests notified to Darrell by Tuesday mornings. Email - dgcooma@bigpond.net.au Phone - 6452 1159 Mobile - 0407 411 422. Failure to notify Darrell of an apology will incur a dinner fee.



DATES TO REMEMBER:

25 February: Bombala markets (Bombala RC's first time running a market)
26 February: Fairies and elves fashion parade at the Cooma Ex-Services Club
26 March: Clean up of the path into Lambie Gorge

REMINDER:

Half-yearly subs are due now.

Don't forget donations of bottles of WINE for the wine auction at the Sir William Hudson Memorial Centre Fete.

A reminder that the Rotary Youth Volunteer Information and Declaration Form (Form 3) has to be completed. Please see email for a copy.

FEBRUARY DATES

Birthday: Elaine M 25/2

Anniversaries: Judy and Des 5/2, Claire and Hans 7/2, Kathy and David 27/2

Date joined Rotary: Meg and Tom 25/2/15

Meeting seating format: If the U-shape is preferred we need to ensure that the tables are put back exactly in the correct places.



Tom spoke about the question he circulated – how the board members should report to the club and how often. Please respond to this question as soon as possible.





THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: (Jan)

Happiness is the journey, not the destination.



THREE MINUTER: John Mercer

John and his wife Yvonne have recently returned from Saudi Arabia after living in Riyadh for nine years. During their tenure there they have spent time in the desert, camping out and visiting parts of the country that even some of the Arabs have not seen. They will be living in Evatt ACT.





GUEST SPEAKER: Mark John-Natley



Mark spoke about his trip as chaperone for 13 Youth Exchanges from this area, escorting them to Abu Dhabi, collecting another 45 students and ensuring that they were directed to the correct planes to travel to Europe. He had nothing but praise for all the people who helped along the way – the airline employees and the travel agent.

Mark was able to spend time in Italy, meeting up with the parents who hosted Tamara when she had her exchange year and visiting Rome, Florence, Pisa and Milan. He appreciated how the young exchanges would feel in a foreign country. Because it was not a peak tourist time, Mark was able to see sights easily without queuing for hours. He remarked on the degree of security that is obvious – fully armed guards everywhere.

Mark met up with Tamara in Rome and now has the travel bug, hoping to travel to Italy with his wife, Jan, in two years' time.

