

**Rotary
Cooma**



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 28/38

Visiting Rotarian: Doug Rowe (Busselton)

Guests: Club – Melissa Caffarelli, Mark Kenmir; Bronwyn Kenmir (Mark), Mondo Caffarelli (Melissa)

Apologies: John Ch, Brad, Mark C, Peter, Mark JN, Glenys, Elaine S

Leave: Dave B, Tom, Joe

**THERE WILL BE NO
MEETING ON 25 APRIL, BUT
THERE WILL BE A MEETING
ON 2 MAY.**



Please advise Darrell (Ph 0407 411 422, 64521159, dgcooma@bigpond.net.au) of apologies for the coming meeting, also if you are bringing a guest. Failure to advise of absence will incur a dinner cost.

Items for the agenda for 2 May to John K by 30 May.

**Rotary Club of Cooma
Inc**

April Theme:

Maternal and Child Health

April 18 2018

**Guest Speakers: Melissa
Caffarelli and Mark Kenmir**

COMING MEETINGS

May 2	Business Meeting
May 9	Brad Baker
May 16	Penny Vos
May 23	Pride of Workmanship

SIGNIFICANT DATES

Birthdays: Hans (Claire) 1/5, John K 7/5, Alyson 19/5,
Joined Rotary: Bob King 13/5/54, Margaret E 24/5



Thought of the Week: Katrin

**Ability is what you are capable of;
motivation determines what you do;
attitude determines how well you do it. –
Lou Holtz**

MAY

PROPERTY: Penny, Darrell
ATTENDANCE: Dugald, Richard H
FELLOWSHIP: Peter, Elaine S
3 MINUTER: 9/5 Dave H 16/5 Glenys
23/5 Joe 30/5 Hass
INTRO: 9/5 Elaine M 16/5 Geoff
23/5 30/5 John Ch
THANKS: 9/5 Mark JN 16/5 Marco
23/5 20/5 Claire
MARKETS: Sue, Alyson, Mark C, Neil,
Penny, Glenys, Brad
COFFEE VAN: Mark JN, John Ch

CORRESPONDENCE

From Dr Rob Wiles of the ANU Clinical Rural School thanking the club members for our participation in Rural Week so that the first year students experienced a rural community.

From Winston Phillips of the SWHMC Board of Directors thanking the club for the donation of the seat for Margaret Echarri at the Centre.

INFORMATION

The District Conference for 2018/19 will be held in Cooma on 5-7 October. Some of the speakers will be Kerry Kornhauser - End Trachoma Project, Martha Jabour - Homicide Victims Support Group, Stephanie Woollard - Seven Women Project, Tino Babao - Food Plant Solutions, and Geoffrey Graham - Dinkum Oz show.

Carlo: The April markets were disappointing. The weather was very poor with strong wind, the number of stalls was down (17), customer numbers poor, and there was no coffee van. A big thank you to the 9 members who worked for 47 service hours. The band, Stormcellar, was very good and would like to return as they liked the ambience of the markets.

Total profit was \$832.57 (last April the profit was \$3000), comprising \$366 from the stall fees and \$466 from the van, Wishing Well \$9.

John K commended Carlo and Sue for their hard work on organisation of the markets.

If you are rostered on for the markets and know ahead of time, PLEASE find a replacement, giving plenty of notice.

Ash attended a club meeting at Drummoyne and there was an exchange of banners.



District Training Assembly 2018

District Assembly is an opportunity for all Rotarians to learn more about Rotary and the programs we run throughout our District. This is essential for the incoming Board members, this will get you on track for your coming year. Even if you have done this role before there is always something new to learn.

Breakout sessions on the various Avenues of Service will be at three different times to enable you to attend whatever you have an interest in pursuing.

There will be many opportunities for networking during the day and we will also have a dinner on the Saturday evening.

▪️ **Date:** May 5 & 6

▪️ **Time:** Commencing Saturday 1pm

▪️ **Where:** Batemans Bay High School, Beach Road, BATEHAVEN

For bookings: www.rotaryd9710.org.au

A message from Anna Pfeff via Ash: she asked to be remembered to the club members with a special hug for Kevin.

Kevin spoke about the review being carried out on the aged care facilities, Yallambee Lodge and Snowy River Hostel, that are run by the local council. A survey form is available for anyone in the community to complete. There will be a workshop on 10 May at Werri-Nina. There seems to be a movement in Australia for semi-government bodies, e.g. local councils, not to be responsible for aged care facilities.

John Clarke mentioned Steve Plain (Kosciuszko Wheelchair Summit Challenge) and the Project 7 in 4 – his attempt to climb the Seven Summits in Four Months. Google Project 7 in 4 and you can watch his progress. He recently climbed Denali (in Alaska) and now is on the way up Mt Everest, moving on from the base camp.

Allan S: Gundagai is joining the Busking – the seventh town/city to be involved.

Thanks to Katrin, the seedlings given to the club by Maureen Manning are doing well. David H has planted them at Norris Park. Thank you to both of you!

THREE MINUTER: Terry Maddren



Glenys and Terry have been in business in Western Australia for a long time and as a result of two of their children moving to

the east coast, decided to look for a business also on the eastern side. They found Williams Transport for sale and bought it. They had been asked to join Rotary many times in WA, and hadn't, but when they arrived in Cooma, they decided to join our club. They have been here for six months and Rotary has been a means of their quick settlement into the community.





GUEST SPEAKERS: Melissa Caffarelli and Mark Kenmir – Accountants

Both Melissa and Mark spoke about how the world of accountancy has changed for them, especially in the past five years. Cash books and data entry have become things of the past.

Innovations by way of new software and the use of the Cloud have meant that the old system of checking receipts, coding cheque books and ticking off each item on statements has gone. No longer can the image of an accountant be that of a very boring number cruncher who receives a shoebox full of receipts and bills and tries to make sense of it all. While the principles of book-keeping may not have changed, the actual work involved is nowhere near as laborious. Instead, the job now requires imparting information to clients, whose needs have changed, in the use of technology, succession planning, maximising tax benefits, wealth growth and retirement planning. They are not themselves financial planners or lawyers, but work with skilled people in those fields.

New software is used on tablets and smartphones and receipts, bills and invoices are photographed and immediately the software goes to work allocating the receipt to the correct category. All information is kept in the Cloud, an external server, security being very strong. Information is up to date and more accessible.

A major challenge has been working with clients to bring them up to date with the new technology – one client declared that she didn't have email but did have gmail.

Melissa is the specialist in technology and the Cloud, Mark attributing to her the firm's success in being named in the top 50 accounting firms in Australia in the use of technology. Mark said that the firms that use technology are mostly driven by youth: young people have grown up with it.

Melissa is excited by the use of artificial intelligence and machine learning which does away with the need for data entry. More and more communication with clients is done through social media, especially Messenger and Facebook. She is not afraid of being put out of her job because of technology as new roles are being developed in the industry as never before and there is no substitute for human contact.

