



Rotary Club of Cooma Inc

Theme:

*Economic and Community
Development Month*

10 October 2018

Tony Dorahy
Fourth Generation in the meat industry

COMING MEETINGS

- 17 October Nick Kirshner
Property Industry
- 24 October Katrin Hackney
Her mother's story
- 31 October No Meeting
- 1 November Film Night Fund Raiser

Please advise Darrell (Ph 0407 411 422, 64521159, dqcooma@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.

Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 29 out of 36 (80.5%)

Visiting Rotarian:

Guests: Sacha, Tony & Lyn Dorahy, Lyn Brown (Richard), Roger (Jan P)

Apologies: Tony B, Alan D, Katrin, Sandra, Sue S, Penny

Leave: Brenda, Mark C, David B

If you are rostered on for any activities and you cannot fulfil the duties, please organise a substitute or contact Ashley Constance for meeting duties or Carlo Botto for market duties.

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Property		Jan, Glenys
Attendance		Mark JN, Wolfgang
Fellowship		Terry, Sue
Thought	17th	John Chapman
	24th	Ash
	31st	No meeting
	1 November	Film Night Fundraiser
3 Minuter	17th	John Clarke
	24th	Kevin
	31st	No meeting
	1 November	Film Night Fundraiser
Intro	17th	Des
	24th	Katrin
	31st	No meeting
	1 November	Film Night Fundraiser
Thanks	17th	Jeannette
	24th	Dave
	31st	No meeting
	1 November	Film Night Fundraiser
Markets	21st October	Carlo, Sue, Alyson Terry, Richard, Dave, Jan, Glenys Coffee Van Mark JN, Brian/Tony

SIGNIFICANT DATES

Birthdays: Wolfgang 25/10

Date joined Rotary: Claire 31/10



Announcements

John K

A Drought Fundraising day is being held at Adaminaby Saturday 20th October. It is a full day and night and will include barefoot bowls, an auction and music.

John is taking the Wishing Well over for the day.

John C & Hass

They wished to thank everyone for all the hard work undertaken to ensure an extremely successful District Conference.



Elaine

Elaine has asked for the return of Duck Race ticket books by Wednesday 17th October.

Penny V

One happy result of the District conference is that Delianne will be at school 6 days a week all year, this year. Also Norm Potter from Brindabella E-club is going to help market Mama Wimbi Buntings. We got our first order for 10 buntings for a club Xmas party and an invitation to speak at Ulladulla.



Richard

Save the Date – Thursday 1st November Film Night Fund Raiser – Queen, Bohemian Rhapsody. Socialising 7pm until 7.30pm, drinks and snacks provided



Feedback from Conference Attendees

Great conference, thank you. Particularly enjoyed the catering and the speakers. We always enjoy catching up with old and making new friends. –

Bob Greeney

Great catching up with likeminded people in Cooma for the Conference. Hey only 516 days till Ulladulla!! – **David Wriedt**

Thanks for putting on a terrific conference Bill and I only attended the Saturday but really enjoyed ourselves great speakers very inspiring Once again thanks. - **Janet Maughan** Merimbula president

Thanks for a very enjoyable weekend in Cooma, Great speakers and good food, a good conference **Roger Bayle**, President. Moss Vale Rotary Club

Thank you for inviting the End Trachoma Project to present at your District Conference. I received very good feedback and I think many Clubs would like to engage. Always interesting to visit other Rotary Districts... as they are quite different, but all have a love of glass or two of wine!! – **Kerry Kornhauser**

Our thanks to you we enjoyed the weekend immensely. Biboy and Emily were pretty easy to look after. We have had a good time with them here at home, they leave tomorrow. They enjoyed the conference and said how friendly people were in coming up to speak to them. They enjoyed how relaxed the conference was and the programme. – **Noel Trevaskis**

I hope you are recovering from a mighty weekend. We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves even though Michael was not as his sparkling best! Biboy and Emily were great and so engaging – Noel’s suggestion to have them was spot on. Team Cooma worked so hard and it paid off. Well done to everyone. – **Julia Pedler**



Hope you are now recovering from what for us was a great weekend. – Rob Uhl



When we received the invitation to be your RIPPR, it immediately brought warm memories of my Dad and Mom, (who served as RIPPR to Kobe, Japan). That assignment meant the world to them and they never stopped talking about that great honour and unforgettable experience. Having to embark on such a similar journey became sentimental and special for us. Imagine our first ROTEX (my foster brother Bill and Loretta) taking care of us from Canberra to Cooma. And no less than PRID Noel and Lady Sue as our Aides. That greatly humbled and honoured us to be recognized and accepted as family. It is as if everything was now coming to a full circle. We really prayed hard that we could meet your District’s expectations. But with your genuine hospitality and generosity, our task became easier. As I have been telling you all throughout your conference, you have done an excellent job. It is really challenging to get every one’s act together. But you delivered. Congratulations and well done.

Just continue with your passion and vocation. I have no doubt that you will achieve greater heights. “I have always believed that no matter how much you give (in terms of your time and resources) to Rotary, you receive much much more from Rotary. – **Emily and Biboy**



Thought of the Week – Peter

If you want things to stay the same – things will have to change - Giuseppe Tomasi di Lampedusa



3 Minuter – Marco

Marco took his family on an overseas trip last year and he ended up attending a Rotary meeting. He was amazed at what one can learn when somewhere different. One of the Rotarians shared the most common cause of death in hospital is due to medical errors. To try and reduce the number of errors they have instigated a program where medical simulators are used to teach new doctors so they don’t have to learn on real patients.



Guest Speaker - Tony Dorahy



Tony is a part of the 4th generation of his family to be part of the meat industry.

His Great Grandfather started in the industry at the age of 20 working for Riverson Meat in Sydney. At the age of 70 he had a falling out, left and started his own business in Homebush. Tony's grandfather had two butchers' shops but died in his early 40's leaving a wife and six children. The older boys had to go out and find work to support the family. This was not easy as it was during the Depression.

In 1948 Tony's father and his uncle brought their own butcher shop near Wollongong. The town was growing along with the coal industry. They opened a second shop in 1949. In the next phase 5 brothers and a brother-in-law opened Dorahy Bros butchers and slaughterhouse. They slaughtered cattle, sheep and pigs.

In 1963 they chose to sell the business to Mascot Industries. This left his dad with enough money to send the boys to boarding school. The first report for Tony saw him pass agriculture and wool. His dad decided Tony would be better off working.



He started a 5-year apprenticeship with CJ Bericker but only stayed on for 4 years and 9 months. He decided he had learnt enough and went truck driving and lumping meat, just like his dad.

In 1974 he joined a buying fraternity, this was not a good time in the industry for sellers but good for the butchers as the bottom had fallen out of the industry.

A major event occurred in 1976, he made a reverse phone call to his girlfriend and proposed. She accepted both the phone call and the proposal.

In 1977 he started travelling as part of the business. He loved this phase as he met amazing people at the saleyards and at properties. Things took a change in 1981 when Tony and his brothers approach the owner of Cooma Domestic Abattoirs, even though it wasn't for sale. They made him an offer and negotiations started, Frank sold it to them but came back as a partner in 1986. They were approached by an international syndicate in 1997, to whom they sold. The business then became Monbeef.

Originally the main export was to America but since becoming halal they now export more to the Asian market. Each location has totally different needs and there is now very little waste.



Tony said you wouldn't get into the meat industry by choice, most people are born into it.

This is shown by the fact there are now three nephews working in the industry as the 5th generation of Dorahy's.

After an interesting and successful career Tony retired last year.