



COMING MEETINGS

27 February –
Georgia Sturgeon – Exchange Student

Tuesday, 5 March - Michelago visit with Tuggeranong club

Rotary Club of Cooma

Theme:

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

20 February
Salvation Army – Sandra Mortimer

Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 25 of 36 (69.4%)

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Sacha (Club), Sally (John C), Steve & Irene Shirvington (Mark JN), Val Barford (Tony B),

Apologies: Brad, Mark C, Alan, Katrin, Margaret H, Terry, Glenys, Marco, Sue

Leave: David B

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.

ROSTERS FOR FEBRUARY 2019

Attendance	Darrell Sandra
Property	Jan Dave Holgate
Fellowship	Ash Penny
Thought	27th Marco
3 Minuter	27th John Chapman
Intro	27th Neil
Thanks	27th John King

Markets 17th February
 Carlo, Terry, Sue, Alyson,
Van / Bbq Ash, John Clarke, Brenda, Jeanette
Coffee Van
 Brian, John Chapman, Tony

Significant Dates

Birthdays:

21st Brenda, 25th Elaine M,

Date joined Rotary:

Announcements

Darrell

The markets this month made a nett profit of \$1,976 and the Wishing Well raised \$152.80, which has been donated to the RSPCA.

We have agreed to person the gates at the Cooma Show on 9th March. The time will be from 7am until 4pm.

Volunteers can let me know their availability so I can draw up a roster for the day.

Penny

Sales of bunting at the market raised \$180, which means two more children have their school fees paid.

The next monthly Mama Wimbi meeting will be Wednesday 27th February at 5.15pm. Agenda items include Rotary Branding and Banking.

There is a Carers Wellbeing Day in Berridale. As well as being for Carers, we would also like to invite people with disability, family, friends and anyone in the community who would like a relaxing morning out and a day of Wellness. See attached flyer for details.



Elaine S

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY
AFTERNOON TEA.

Guest speakers, Entertainment, Lucky Door Prizes

8 March at 1.30pm - Cost: \$12 at St Andrew's Uniting Church Hall, Soho Street.

See flyer more details.

Kevin

I am participating in a Swim-a-thon to raise funds for the Loui Mould Foundation. I have been promised \$875 so far and am still happy to take further donations.

Richard

The Pride of Workmanship Awards nominations are now open and close on 11th March.

If you would like to nominate someone or would like to provide information to someone else who might like to make a nomination see me for more information.



Thought of the Week – Kevin

There is a sacredness in tears; they are not the mark of weakness but of power; they are messengers of overwhelming grief and of unspeakable love.

Sacha's Week

This past week saw Sacha learning to surf with Pam Burrige at Ulladulla. Sacha managed to stand up on the board multiple times.

There was also time spent at Nowra climbing rocks and trees.

On the last day of the adventure, the exchange students enjoyed a boating day water skiing, wakeboarding and a bit more surfing.



3 Minuter – John Ch

John loves astronomy – as most people already know!

On Wednesday night there was only one planet visible in the night sky, the was Mars. However, if you were up early on Thursday morning you would have seen Jupiter, Venus and Saturn. If you happened to be looking skyward with a pair of binoculars, you would have also seen Uranus.

Tonight he wanted to share some information about the constellation of the Southern Cross. This constellations was visible in Jerusalem about the time of the death of Christ.

It was rediscovered by the Europeans in the 15th century and again by the 16th century navigators who used it to calculate the time.

The ancient Greeks identified the pointers by the names centaurs alpha and beta.

Its official name is Crux Australis and the four brightest stars are identified from the brightest, alpha through to the dullest delta.

Since 1823, it has appeared on our flag along with the Union Jack. When combined with the red and blue ensigns of 1903 it became an emblem of loyalty and affiliation to the British Crown.

When it appeared alone on the Eureka flag of 1854 it depicted the spirit of independence.

Guest Speaker – Sandra Mortimer

What is a vocation - the word comes from the early 15c., "spiritual calling," from Old French vocacion "call, consecration; calling, profession" (13c.) or directly from Latin vocationem (nominative vocatio), literally "a calling, a being called" from vocatus "called," past participle of vocare "to call". The main connotations of the word relate to being called to ministering religion to the people.

This then leads to what is a calling. A calling is defined as a strong urge towards a particular way of life or career; a vocation.

Sandra wonders should a person be doing only one thing in their life or can you put together a wholesome value based life doing multiple different jobs. As we do life we absorb all different experience involving false starts and failures.

She saw her mother be part of the Feminist Movement and she considered herself part of the second Feminist Wave. When she left

school in the 1980s it was not permissible to say you wanted to be married and have kids, it was expected you would have a career. Sandra knew she had grown up privilege which included being able to finish high school, unlike her parents. Therefore she was quite single-minded about becoming a career person.

Young people these days expect to have at least four different careers in their lifetimes and no one will think this is strange.

Sandra didn't come to the Ministry in a straight line, even though she grew up in a Salvation Army household. She loved being raised as a Salvo but also didn't mind being a military child as this gave her other life experiences both in Australia and overseas.

She started her university career at the age of 16 but was distracted though involvement in various Christian ministry group, she did eventually finish her studies. She spent 25 years as a public servant doing social service work and ministerial research.

Sandra applied and was accepted in to the Salvation Army Training College to train to become an ordained/commissioned Salvation Army Officer.

The organisation rules at the time meant she would not be able to marry outside of the Salvation Army. These rules changed and then in 2011 Sandra met Tony (through a Mormon owned dating site).

An opportunity arose which has now placed them at this time in Cooma where they are both undertaking tasks, which they both enjoy, and they feel they are fulfilling their vocation.



Work on the new cricket nets at Nijong Oval has begun.

