



COMING MEETINGS
 17 April – Cindy Miller

 24 April – Nancy Groves - Lifegate Foodcare

Rotary Club of Cooma

Theme:

Maternal & Baby Health Month

10 April

Pride of Workmanship Awards

Meeting statistics: 22 of 34 = 65%

Attendance:

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests:
 Richard Wilkins (Club), Sally Thornton (John C), Tanja Beckman, Beverley Hedger, Matthew Fabbro, Ian Kirwin, Vicki Lynch, Vicki Flynn

Apologies: Neil B, Ashley, Brad, Alan, Sandra, Jan P, Marco, Penny

Leave: Mark C, Brenda, David B

ROSTERS FOR April 2019

Attendance		Darrell Peter
Property		Dave Holgate Wolfgang
Fellowship		Ash Sue
Thought	17th	Sandra
	24th	Jeannette
3 Minuter	17th	Darrell
	24th	Kevin
Intro	17th	Ash
	24th	Mark J.N
Thanks	17th	Richard Brown
	24th	Geoff
Markets	21st April	[Happy Easter] Terry, Sue, John King? Alyson?
		Food Van John Clarke + 1, Jeannette + 1, Katrin, Ash?
		Coffee Van Mark J.N, Brian, ?

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.

Significant Dates:

Birthdays: April
 6th John Ch, 15th Des, 17th Geoff

Date Joined Rotary:
 Nil

Announcements

John K

The cricket nets at Nijong Oval only need the netting and AstroTurf to be completed and will be ready for the 2019/20 cricket season.

We anticipate the new bbq will arrive in June.

Tony

There will be an advertisement for the next Market in the Post which will be advising of an Easter Egg hunt at 7am put on by the Life Gate Church. The Club will distribute Easter Eggs throughout the Market.

Mark JN

Our local student has passed through the first interview stage of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program. Her second interview will be at a Greenhills event in June.

The Interact Club were nominated for a Youth Award in the Community Participation section. The late news is they won the award.

Jeanette

Thank you to everyone who came to the Stroke/Interplast fundraising event last Sunday, approximately \$600 was raised. We are planning to have another event as part of Stroke Week which starts on 1 September.

Pride of Workmanship Awards – Do It Once. Do It Well.

The introduction to the Pride of Workmanship Awards was given by Peter Davis. Peter has his finger in many pies and provides many examples of how taking pride in your work leads to positive outcomes for all involved.

His first example was speaking about how good farm fences leads to a safe work environment for both animals and humans. A good yard makes the job easier and quicker, there is also less stress on the stock who are in the yards and the risk of injury is reduced.



The second photo shows a Hercules fire bomber dropping fire retardant chemicals on to a fire. Peter's job as an Air Attack supervisor is to ensure the retardant is put in the right place in an effective, efficient and safe manner. Following a job like this the group always gets together to discuss what was done right, what was done not as well as it could have been. When you document lessons learnt, it leads to improvements being made.

Peter also does a lot of work in Papua New Guinea, on a recent trip there he was part of a group of civilians and military personnel who located and repatriated a lost Australian soldier, who could then be properly acknowledged and laid to rest. He also leads treks along the Kokoda Track, both of these undertakings have to be done professionally to ensure the safety of the local guides and the visitors.



Other work that has been undertaken in PNG include 9 water projects which Rotary have been part of. If the job is not done right then the water coming into the villages is a short-lived event. Peter visited recently and was shown a project which was about 12 years old and still working properly. This is because when the job was done the needs of the local people and and limitationsenvironment were taken into consideration.

Peter finished the opening with the reminder – If you have pride in what you do, nothing is impossible.

The purpose of the Pride of Workmanship Awards are to recognise people who excel in their workplaces. The entrants are nominated by employers, supervisors or members of the public. From all the nominations received we are delighted to present six Awards.



Inspiration Paints - Tanja Beckman served as a Customer Assistant and frequently as business manager in Inspiration Paints, Cooma, for sixteen years up to 2018. She is competent, efficient, and patient, and ready with advice on paint and tools for different jobs. She greeted customers with a smile. Tanja Beckmann supplied trade customers from throughout the Monaro, coping with their supply orders, orders to the wholesaler, and managing stock. She managed the business when the owners were overseas. Tanja Beckmann took pride in finding solutions for customers with unusual problems.



Sir William Hudson Memorial Centre - The management of Sir William Hudson Memorial Centre have commended their entire staff in nomination for a Pride of Workmanship award however on this occasion the Rotary Club of Cooma makes this award to Ian Kirwin as it is also supported by a resident nomination.

Ian Kirwin willingly does a variety of different jobs. In the aged care home, he has served as kitchen hand, in cleaning large areas, and helping in the dining room or anywhere when needed. He advocates well for the residents he assists on a daily basis. He shows a kind hand when needed and is sensitive to resident needs. The Rotary Club of Cooma is pleased to make this award to Ian Kirwin and to commend the achievement of the management and staff of the Centre for the good example they are setting in our community.



Snowy Monaro Regional Council - Beverley Hedger is treasured by her clients. She takes elderly clients shopping, and to Canberra for medical needs. She is always responsive by phone. She has a very pleasant nature, helping clients without hesitating. Further, Beverley Hedger supervises her team at work, providing unflinching support. She has humour and care for team members as well as clients. She has the highest standards of service, putting clients' needs first.



Gordon Litchfield Wool - Vicki Flynn has been consistently loyal through challenging times in the Company and in the wool industry. Wool growers, exporters, and logistics companies in the wool industry know Vicki and respect her knowledge as second to none. She thinks through and tackles challenges without question. She makes sure a system is put in place to improve the current one or to solve a problem so it can't happen again. Exceptionally among others, she has always adapted well to dramatic changes in the last fifteen years in the wool industry. Vicki willing to help and train new and younger staff. Her kind and caring approach to all staff and Company

principals makes her their “rock” in the office.



Williams Transport - Matthew Fabbro has been a reliable, diligent employee of Williams Transport Cooma at and from the arrival of new management in 2017. With his work ethic and attitude, he became an integral part of the business. Consignees in Cooma have particularly valued his service. Matthew Fabbro is respected by customers and agents of the business, and by his fellow workers. He has become the most versatile operator in the business. He ensures smooth running when the owners are away. When other employees have a problem, they go to him to sort it out. Customers at the depot receive his top priority, given in a happy, jovial way. Matthew Fabbro succeeds as the main trainer for new employees.

He does right by the business and customers, and is ready to go the extra mile.



Rehabilitation Centre, Cooma Hospital - Nurse Vicki Lynch cares for patients returning from major heart surgery. She is gentle, observant, and imparts confidence to very nervous patients. They value the care she gives. Her care extends to patients experiencing anxiety and depression after major surgery. This help and understanding are particularly valued. In the workplace, Vicki Lynch has adapted to the changing requirements of nursing over a period of fifty years. She has managed a high turnover of patients where required, and has provided time-consuming individual care where needed. In her commitment to

patient care, she succeeds with excellence.

