



COMING MEETINGS

28 August – Johanna Ebbert

4 September - No Meeting on Wednesday as we are supporting the Stroke Awareness Event

7 September - Stroke Awareness Event

Rotary Club of Cooma

Theme:

Membership and New Club Development Month

21 August Business Meeting

Meeting statistics: 24 of 39 = 61.5%

Attendance:

Visiting Rotarians:
Babu – India

Guests:
Nima (Neil), Roger Wheatley (Jan), Helen (Geoff)

Apologies:
Richard B, Brenda, Brad, Alan, Dave H, Nadine, Claire, Sue, Sally, Des, Peter

Leave:
Mark C, David B

We also missed:

Rosters for August 2019

Attendance		Darrell / Tony
Property		Dave H / Brenda
Fellowship		Sue / Elaine S
Thought	21st	Margaret H
	28th	Marco
3 Minuter	21st	Business Meeting
	28th	Nadine
Intro	21st	Business Meeting
	28th	Mark J.N
Thanks	21st	Business Meeting
	28th	Katrin

Markets 18th August Terry, Tony, Sue, Robyn
 Van: Ash, John K, Jeannette Glenys
 Coffee Van: Mark JN, 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

Significant Dates: August

Birthdays:
11th Ashley, 10th Richard H, 15th David B

Date Joined Rotary:
12th Dave H, Dugald, 19th Mark C, Margaret H,





Thought of the Week - Margaret H

To be successful you need three things, a wishbone, a backbone and a funny bone.

If you have been collecting plastic bottle tops please bring them in so Margaret can take them down to the drop off point.



Terry – Market Report

This month's market had 19 stalls including a couple of community/charity stalls.

Money raised: Coffee Van \$285, Wishing Well for Stroke Awareness \$20ish, Food Van and stalls \$1,373.15.

Note: the November market will include the Country Rhythm and Blues Festival.



Darrell

The Annual Accounts have now been issued. Please read the note regarding the Rotary Foundation. If you donate \$100 in a lump sum you become a member of the Centurion Club and the donation is tax deductible.

Subs payments can be made three ways – cash, cheque or electronic funds transfer. If you are doing an electronic funds transfer remember to use your name as the reference. Accounts can be paid half yearly if need be.

People have asked where does the money raised in fines and the raffle go. This money goes into the general fund, which helps with reducing the amount of subs each member has to pay.

Jeannette

Arrangements for the Stroke Awareness event are well underway. The save the date posters have been distributed and feedback has been received that many places would also like to receive official invitations to the event. It is looking like there will be great support from the community.

The Interactors have been asked to be waitpersons for the event. This will also provide an opportunity for them to promote themselves.

An invitation to provide speakers has been sent to the Sharp Street Surgery and the Ambulance Service; we are still waiting for a response.

Offers of assistance for set-up and catering have been received. Could Rotary members please RSVP before the due date to we know a base number of attendees.



John Cl

The money you donate to the Rotary Foundation is used in many different ways. In this past financial year they had a fund of M\$80 which was spent in the following ways, M\$35 to preventing disease, M\$18 for clean water, M\$10 to support education, M\$10 growing local economies, M\$7 helping mothers and children and M\$3 promoting peace along with the continued work on Polio eradication. The Foundation would like to have a working fund of B\$2 so they can do even more.

Membership has a number of components:

- We need new members to continue the work which has already been started and to fulfil future leadership roles
- Fellowship is fundamental, a major reason people join groups like Rotary is to make friends
- Projects need to be relevant to the community, for example mental health or stroke awareness
- If you find anyone who is interested in joining the club give me their name and I will get in contact with them



Glenys

Received a call from Tony Nassar advising that the Snowy Hydro is celebrating 70 years, this year. They are planning on holding an event on 19 October at the Snowy Hydro Visitors Centre. The plan is to have market and food stalls and they would like Rotary to be part of it. The thought is we could bring the food van down and serve German food. This would complement the other food stalls they have in mind, including Italian, Austrian and Swiss.

The next End Polio Now movie night is currently being organised with the Cooma Twin Cinema. This year's movie is Ride like a Girl – the Michelle Payne story.

Also in the works are arrangements for a New Year's Eve barn dance/family night.

The new Community Service Project is to create a tranquil walk at the Cooma cemetery, which would be somewhere people could come to remember loved ones who passed away and chose to be cremated. The idea is to build a hexagonal structure where memorial services can be held prior to the distribution of the ashes. A white crushed quartz path, about 30 metre long will wind from the pavilion to an area planted in a semi-circle consisting of deciduous trees, which will represent the human qualities of strength, love, empathy, resilience, patience and humility. This area will also have seating where people can sit and reflect. Along the path will be a low maintenance rose garden with plots for commemorative plaques and ashes.

It is hoped to locate the walk between the lawn cemetery, the children's cemetery, the Church of England plots and the works area.

The proposal is to be put to the Cemetery Committee, and if they agree the proposal will be put to Council for their approval.

Mark JN

John Cl, Nadine and Mark are looking at way to bring younger members into the club as the town cannot currently support a Rotaract Club.

The Interact club is getting stronger gaining new members they currently have 18 members. They have put in place a new structure, having smaller project group meetings then reporting to the rest of the club. They are currently developing community and international projects.

We thought we would be losing RYPEN but agreement between our District and District 9700 will see it continue. The current thought is to have the weekends take place in Wagga and to hire a bus to get students from our area there.

This weekend is the first training weekend for the new inbound students and the outbound students. We are working towards the District restructure and this group of students will be traveling as District 9705 students.

Peter

We have two choices when it comes to an international project, we can write a cheque and let someone else take care of it or we can develop our own. Over recent years Neil has been involved in small projects in Nepal, the orphanage and earthquake recovery, but thinks we could help in more ways. One of the clubs is involved with supporting a small nursing college, a basic training centre.

There is potential for a nursing exchange to bring students for training in Australia and getting young folk from here to go to Nepal. We could also assist with getting trained people to remote communities to provide basic healthcare.



Richard

Vocational enquiries have begun and we are now waiting on feedback.

Ashley

The Men's Health Education Van will be in Cooma on the 5th and 6th November. We have been asked to provide assistance at the van when it is in town. It is an amazing venture. Since its inception in 2017 over 6,500 people have visited. Of these 3,000 people were identified as having a medical condition which require monitoring and 164 people had medical conditions that needed serious intervention.