

# Cooma Rotary Club Inc

*Theme: Basic Education and Literacy*

**30 September 2020**

**Rhonda Stewart, Anja de Ruijter**

**DG Michael Moore**



Attendance: Guests: DG Michael Moore, Helen Moore, Rhonda Stewart, Anja de Ruijter (club), 26 members; Apologies: Richard B, Alan, John K, Dugald, Judy; Leave: Geoff, Ash

October birthdays: Bob King, Wolfgang      Many happy returns!



Rhonda Stewart and Anja de Ruijter from the local hospital, part of the Health Service

Rhonda, Acting Health Service Manager, explained the plans of the \$18 million refurbishment at the hospital, complicated and delayed by Covid, but gradually changes are occurring.

Milestone 1: building of a temporary ED.

Milestone 2: a new ED - a different design from the one that has been used with two



resuscitation units, a central desk for better visual control, a separate triage room; a new entry with a separate entrance for ambulances.

Milestone 3: the construction of the new Maternity Unit, 5 beds, including 2 birthing units, in the area of the old ED. Eventually all acute care, including Maternity, will be on A level.

Milestone 4: the current Maternity Unit will be converted for ambulatory care, such as wound clinic, podiatry etc. All outpatients will use the current Maternity entrance. Milestones 5 & 6: refurbishment of services such as Imaging.

Anja, as Nursing Unit Manager of the Inpatients Unit, spoke about the mannequin that the Club donated for use in staff education. It replaced an antiquated model and much more useful in teaching via simulation methods. A resuscitation is very tightly controlled – all in attendance have a strict role: airway, procedure, cardiac monitoring, defibrillator and scribe, and communication is done quietly. After every practice, a discussion of the techniques used is to ensure that methods are streamlined; every incident should be a learning experience, a no-blame culture.

A surprise event was the award of Avenues of Service to David Holgate.



Joining the Cooma Rotary Club in 1967, David Holgate has been a very active member from Day One. Vice President in 5 different years, he was the Club President in 1977. In 1988 he was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow and in 2008 that awarded was



supplemented with a sapphire. We have only to look at beautiful Norris Park and the trees, especially the Manchurian Pears, on the Rotary Oval to be aware of the ongoing work David has contributed to the community. In these David has been the leader or part of the team, and other projects have been the refurbishment of the Cooma Scout Hall,

the Skate Park, the pergola at the Sir William Hudson Memorial Centre, the refurbishment of the Salvation Army Store, the recent installation of cricket nets at the Nijong Oval, to name but a few of his hands-on activities. His trips to PNG have resulted in the building of a community centre at Lae and then the installation of water in three villages.

He has been Community Service Director in six different years and in 1975 was the Vocational Director, has coordinated the Beer Festival, the Red Shield Appeal, Clean Up Australia Day, the High Country Rotary Markets, ShelterBox. In addition he and his wife opened their home to incoming exchange students and he has maintained his contact with these young people. In exemplifying the Rotary ideal of 'Service Above Self', David is a man of inspiration and we thank him for what he has done for our club, for the community and on the international scene. We thank him and have much pleasure in acknowledgement of his work with an Avenues of Service Award.



**District Governor of 9705, Michael Moore and his wife Helen were guests of the club.**

A man with an impressive CV, Michael is the first Governor of District 9705, and area that is virtually the same as the old district 270. He spoke of the different opportunities offered by the new district.

Michael is particularly keen to have clubs working together, especially clubs on both sides of the Hume Highway. He paid tribute to the Transition Team, headed by PDG Steve Hill and PDG George Weston. Our DG in two years' time, Geraldine Rurenga, will be the youngest DG and her term will coincide with that of the first woman International President, Jennifer Jones. A new area of focus for Rotary is the Environment.

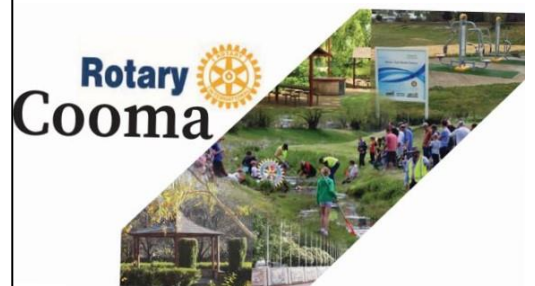


The International President, Holger Knaack, asked DGs to try different models of clubs and Covid has ensured that new methods of communication have been used.

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**NEXT MEETING: Speaker, Peter Bascomb: the future for our shire**

<b>ROSTERS</b>	<b>14 Oct</b>	<b>28 Oct</b>
MEET & GREET	Wolfgang	Neil
FINES/DID YOU KNOW?	Sandra	Mark C
RAFFLE	Katrin	Hass
JIGGLE THE JOKER	Charlee	Peter
KEEPER OF THE PROPERTY	David	David
KEEPER OF THE BANNERS	Elaine M	Jan
TOLL COLLECTOR	Liz, Dugald	Liz, Neil
SERVICE	Neil, John C	Terry, Alan
VOTE OF THANKS	Mark C	
PASTORAL CARE	Sally	Dugald



**MARKETS 18 October**

**Please be present from 8am. Anyone who can give a hand during the markets would be very welcome**

Van & BBQ towing	Terry, Marco, Mark JN
BBQ cooks	Neil, Marco
Feed Van	Katrin, Jeannette
Photographer & PR	Nadine
Meet & Greet	Charlee
COVID policeman (sanitiser)	Terry (all stall holders to have hand)
Coffee van	Mark JN
Raffle	Liz
Entertainment	Glenys



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