ROTARY



Web address: coomarotary.org.au

Email

bulletin@coomarotary.org.au



Meeting statistics: Attendance: 67.4%

Guests: Neil Lynch (club)

Apologies: Kevin, Richard H, John K, Allan S,

Peter (late apology) Leave: Neil, Joe

We also missed: Brenda, Ash, Brad

NEXT MEETING:

Dave Kelley – Parole Officer



Rotary Club of Cooma Inc

May Theme: Youth Services

Meeting – 17 May 2017

Guest Speaker - Neil Lynch

NOTICES:

Form 3 – to be handed in to Mark JN as soon as possible.

A film evening fundraiser, <u>The Great Caruso</u>, will be held on 25 May. The film, starring Mario Lanza and Ann Blyth, was made in colour in 1951. Everyone is welcome. Nibblies available. \$20 admission.

There will be a beginners' course in Bridge starting on 27 May, conducted by the Cooma-Monaro Bridge Club.

NEXT MEETING – TUESDAY 23 MAY



<u>News from the sick list</u>: John K is progressing slowly but is looking well and walking a bit straighter. Richard L is in Canberra in rehab and has made great improvement.



Rylie Marks of St Pat's and Tai Haines of Monaro High at the RYPEN camp at Mogo. They were both grateful for the support of the Cooma club.



News from Tala our YEP student in Germany: She has experienced her first Easter in another country, finding different customs for that event. She visited a flower market town in the Netherlands and also Bremen where she caught up with her fellow exchangees.





THREE MINUTER – Mark JN

Mark spoke about his role as the Southern Region Coordinator of Youth Exchange (YEP) and District Counsellor. He mentioned the processes through which outbound exchangees are selected and then the training that they undergo before they travel overseas. Inbound exchangees also have sessions for discussion and socialisation with one another.

Outbounders leave in January, accompanied by a chaperone for the travel, and inbounders arrive in July. Rebounders (returning exchangees) have the opportunity to debrief after their return.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK: Katrin

A higher level should not make decisions for a lower level if the lower level is capable of making the decision. – Albert Schweitzer









GUEST SPEAKER: Neil Lynch, a member of the Monaro Utility Dog Club Neil, a member of a local family, has been training sheep and cattle dogs in his stud for a long time and has acquired a lot of knowledge regarding the suitability of some dogs.

They have a practice of going through the alphabet when naming dogs and when they got to Q, their granddaughter and her class

suggested 'Quasimodo', an idea that was allowed to lapse. They are now on the second run through the alphabet. The puppies' names are most important for them. He prefers dogs with dark brown eyes as he finds these dogs are calmer than those with lighter eyes.

Training doesn't start until the puppy has grown up somewhat, taking 9-10 months. Mistakes will happen but it is important to overlook problems and be kind to the puppy at all times. There are just a few basic words: go left, right, stop, come behind, up. Welfare is uppermost: a good kennel and food and water.

At working dog trials, to succeed a competitor has to achieve a score in the 90s. Trialling demands intense concentration from the dog. Training schools are held here on the Monaro and inquiries come from many places, especially from Canberra.

Because of their breeding, working dogs like to work and want to round up other animals. If treated and trained well, they become good friends, very loyal to their masters and their work.

The gene pool, especially for Kelpies, is becoming smaller and there are now imperfections showing up such as hip dysplasia and poor hearts. This is a result of breeders wanting to take advantage of a good pedigree: a good working dog might sire many litters, a process that leads to inbreeding.





MAY DATES

Birthday: Hans (Claire) 1/5, John K 7/5, Alyson

19/5

Date joined Rotary: Bob King 13/5 (63 yrs),

Margaret E 24/5

MAY ROSTER

Attendance: Meg, Darrell
Fellowship: Peter, Katrin
Property: Allan S, Graham

3 Minuter/

Show & Tell: 24/5 Neil 31/5 Geoff
Intro: 24/5 Elaine S 31/5 Jeannette

Thanks:24/5 Darrell 31/5 Brenda

Thought: 24/5 Brian 31/5 Elaine M Markets: John K, Alyson, Ash, Darrell, Wolfgang, Elaine S, Jan, Brenda, Elaine M Coffee van: Mark JN, Brian, John Ch





Meeting of presidents and wives, Cooma and Bombala clubs, with AGs







