



COMING MEETINGS

July 25 Brad Constance
Living & Working in Antarctica

August 1 TBA

August 8 Rowena Evans
Vocation of being an author and
illustrator

Please advise Darrell (Ph 0407 411 422, dqcooma@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.

Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 24 of 35 or 68%

Visiting Rotarian:

Guests: Dawn & Rob Wiles (Club), Sandra Mortimer (John C), Tony Barford (John C), Matt Harden (Jeannette), Christina Laub (Wolfgang)

Apologies: Geoff B, Helen B, Richard B, Ashley, Sue S, Allan S

Leave: David B, Brenda C, Peter D, Jan P, Brad C

SIGNIFICANT DATES

Birthday: Dave L - 7 July, Tony S - 8 July

Date joined Rotary: Peter D - 1 July

**Rotary Club of Cooma
Inc**

Theme:

Fellowships

18 July 2018

Dawn Wiles

Outreach Work in Uganda

If you are rostered on for any activities and you cannot fulfil the duties, please organise a substitute or contact Ashley Constance for meeting duties or Carlo Botto for market duties.

JULY ROSTER

PROPERTY: Jan, Carlo

ATTENDANCE: Richard B, Katrin

FELLOWSHIP: Sue, Peter

THOUGHT: 25th John King

3 MINUTER: 25th Jeannette

INTRO: 25th David Holgate

THANKS: 25th Mark JN

Markets 19th August

Neil B, Peter D, Carlo, Sue, Jan,
Elaine Schofield, Penny, Alyson

Coffee Van

Mark J.N, Brian/ ?





INFORMATION

The District Conference for 2018/19 will be held in Cooma on 5-7 October. Some of the speakers will be Kerry Kornhauser - End Trachoma Project, Martha Jabour - Homicide Victims Support Group, Stephanie Woollard - Seven Women Project, Tino Babao - Food Plant Solutions, and Geoffrey Graham - Dinkum Oz show.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Katrin advised she has heard from Sarah advising she arrived home safely. She had a couple of days rest before heading off on a school excursion to Prague.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK – Carlo

The real art of conversation is not only saying the right thing at the right time, but to leave unsaid the wrong thing at a tempting moment.



THREE MINUTER – John C

Space, what is out there!

The Wellington Theory states, "If just one out of a million of those galaxies had planets, and just one in a million of those had life, and just one out of a million of those had intelligent life, there would be literally millions of civilizations out there."

The Hubble Telescope took a photo over a period of 7 days, which found about 2000 galaxies. Based on Wellington's theory there could be about 1 trillion galaxies out there which are civilised.

We can now identify the atmospheres of planets in these galaxies by measuring the wavelengths projected from the planets.

This raises the questions:

- Is there going to be life out there
- Will contact be made
- Are we worthy of contact

An old Chinese saying goes "may you live in interesting times".

The times in which we are living are interesting as we have gone from writing on paper to writing on screens, from having photographs which had to be developed from film to having photos instantly available on our phones, from looking at distant planets and wondering about them to identifying the potential atmosphere of distant planets.



GUEST SPEAKER – DAWN WILES

Dawn recently went on an outreach trip with Ester Laub, Pauline and Ken Lister to visit the Bushfire Children's Home, which is a school/orphanage in Uganda, which was set-up by Eva and Sam to fill a niche in relation to children in need of education and support.



Uganda is a landlocked country in the middle of Africa and it took 6 hours to travel from Entebbe to where they were staying. You want to have a competent driver as the roads are very busy with no apparent road rules. This was Dawn's second trip so she was able to enjoy the experience more so than the first time, which was a bit of a culture shock.

There is a primary and secondary school which has about 400 students, about 100 who board, as they have no parents.



There is approximately 85 staff. The students wear uniforms, which make them look ready for serious learning.



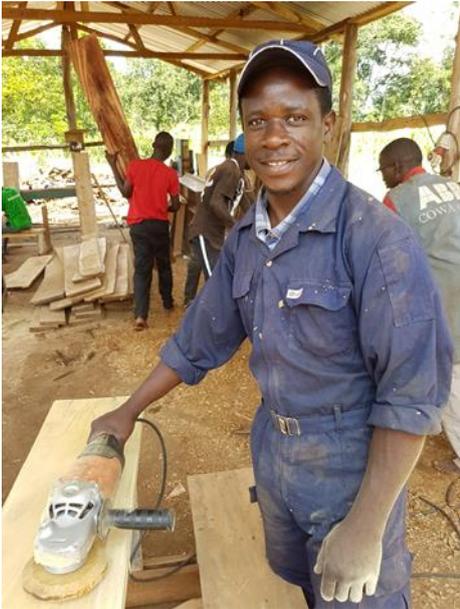
The children attend school 6 days per week and also participate in afterschool learning activities.



This building was built to house young Sudanese refugees and to be used as an Exam hall.

The school has a sponsorship program where children can be sponsored for about \$100 per month.

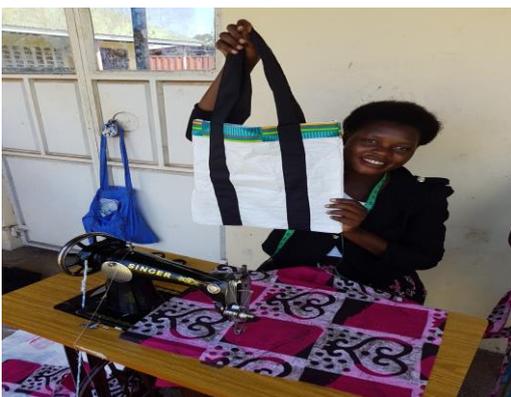
When students graduate from secondary school they can undertake vocational training in activities like carpentry, making desks or beds.



There are also sewing classes where they learn to make items such as the bags.



In a nearby town they have a small shop to sell the goods they make.



There is a medical clinic attached to the school where health checks are undertaken. This is where Dawn worked with a nurse practitioner, who assisted with translation when necessary. It was very busy with many people attending. As Dawn is not a dentist she organised for dental checks to be done by a dentist. Two cases stood out for her, the first was when an x-ray showed a baby had broken its arm in an accident and the arm was healing without medical intervention and the other was being able to arrange for a pregnant lady to have an ultrasound. The parents were amazed at seeing their baby, it was also determined the mum-to-be was further along in her pregnancy than expected.



It was discovered the Sudanese boys were not sleeping well as they could feel the metal bed through their thin mattresses. The team enabled the boys to purchase new mattresses. The following day they reported they had slept much better. It was a wonderful trip and being able to help in a small way was so worthwhile.