



COMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 5 March - Michelago visit with Tuggeranong Club

Rotary Club of Cooma

Theme:

Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

27 February

Georgia Sturgeon – Exchange Student

Meeting statistics:

Attendance: 24 of 35 (68.5%)

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Sacha, Georgia, Amanda and Stuart Sturgeon, Helen Tinoch (Club), Roger (Jan P), George Webec (Tony B)

Apologies: Brad, Ashley, Brenda, Peter, Alan, Katrin, Margaret H, John Ch

Leave: David B, Mark C

We also missed: Sue S, Claire N

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:
21st Brenda, 25th Elaine M,

Date joined Rotary:

ROSTERS FOR March 2019

Attendance Darrell
Tony

Property Sue
Dave Holgate

Fellowship Ash
Jeanette

Thought **5th Michelago Dinner**
13th Ash
20th John K
27th Geoff

3 Minuter **5th Michelago Dinner**
13th Mark JN
20th Terry
27 John K

Intro **5th Michelago Dinner**
13th Dugald
20th Peter
27th Elaine M

Thanks **5th Michelago Dinner**
13th Kevin
20th Des
27th Katrin

Markets 17th February
Terry, Sue, Alyson,
Van / Bbq Ash, Brenda, Glenys, Katrin
Coffee Van
Mark JN, Brian



Announcements

John K

As you saw from last week's Bulletin work had begun on the cricket nets at Nijong Oval. This week we poured concrete for the pitches and laid out where the fencing is to go. Thanks to all the volunteers who came to help out, with a special thanks going to John Bujalski for lending us his concreting expertise.



Elaine S

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY AFTERNOON TEA

Guest speakers, Entertainment, Lucky Door Prizes 8 March at 1.30pm - Cost: \$12 at St Andrew's Uniting Church Hall, Soho Street.



Thought of the Week – Marco

To question a wise man is the beginning of wisdom.

3 Minuter – Glenys

The first of four Dead Reds events is taking place this Friday, 8th March starting at 6pm - 8pm at the Altair Motel. Wear something Red. There are limited tickets available at \$25 a head.

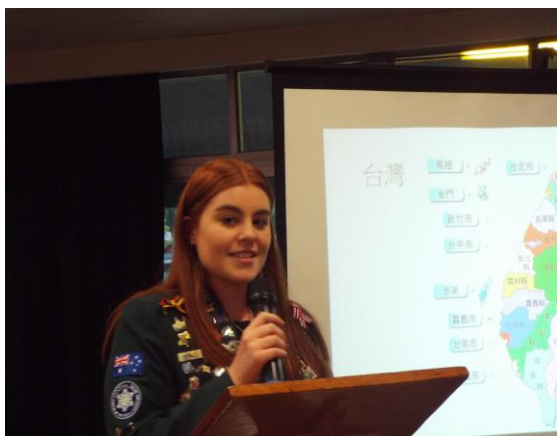
This is an event to introduce people to Rotary as well as being able to have a fun evening.

If you would like to enter your bottle of wine that must be 10 year old or more you must be prepared to sample it - spit bucket supplied! Bottle entry free. The judge is Robyn Crooks from Australian Wine Archives.

Nibbles and glass of sparkling or flat included in ticket price. Any profits will be donated to Rotary International.



Guest Speaker – Georgia Sturgeon



Georgia spent the last year enjoying her Rotary Exchange Year in Taiwan. She lived in Hualien, on the east coast where she had three host families.

Her Rotary Club was Chi-An in District 3490 which is located in the East Rift Valley and is a beautiful part of the country to visit. This is a club where men attend weekly meetings and their families come once per month.

She had the opportunity to travel around the country with her school, her friends and with her mother and brother when they visited.

She visited Sun Moon Lake, which is in the foothills of Taiwan's central mountain range. She also went four wheel driving on local beaches.

One major standout between living in Taiwan and Australia are the earthquakes. Georgia's first experience with an earthquake came just two weeks after she arrived when the country faced a 6.4 magnitude quake. This strength was not a common occurrence but there are small earthquakes every day.



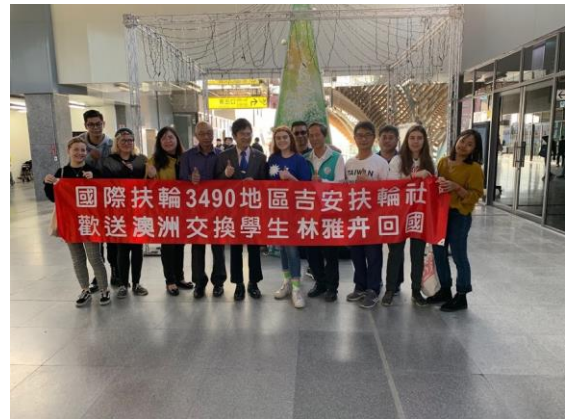
She attended the Senior Industrial High School and studied chemical engineering and fixing cars.

There was an opportunity to learn traditional dancing which her group performed at a couple of conferences. Each district in Taiwan has their own traditional dance.

Georgia had the opportunity to meet other exchange students from Spain, Thailand, Denmark, Poland, Brazil, Korea, France Canada and Lithuania. She now has friends all over the world.

Some of her favourite foods were fried dumplings, bbq, bubble tea and shaved ice.

Some not so favourite foods were stinky tofu, pig's blood cake and 'snot' noodles.



She arrived home on 5th January 2019 after an amazing send off at the train station by her new friends and Rotary Club members.

