

Cooma Rotary Club Inc

Theme: Membership and New Club Development

2 September 2020

Gail Eastaway



ATTENDANCE: 24 members; apologies: Geoff, Ash, Nadine, John K, Claire, Elaine S; guests: Lou Moore (Kevin), Caroline Connolly (Hass), Gail Eastaway (club), Judy Williams

BIRTHDAYS in September: Alan, Jan, Claire - Best wishes!



NEWS FROM AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH:

<https://mailchi.mp/australianrotaryhealth/your-latest-news-from-australian-rotary-health-2096986>

CLUB NEWS:

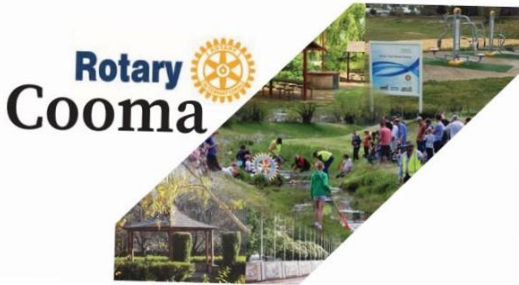
Glenys – Community Service: Date set for a car rally in March next year; art gala in April next year.

John C – next non-meeting will be at the Altair motel next Wednesday; an email has been sent advising everyone.

Mark JN – New generations – RYPEN has been suspended because of Covid



ROSTERS	16 Sept	30 Sept
Welcome	Neil	Claire
<i>Fine/Did you know?</i>	Mark C	Kevin
Raffle	Hass	John K
<i>Joker</i>	Peter	Alan
Property	David	David
<i>Banners</i>	Jan	Elaine M
Attendance	Liz	Liz
<i>Service 1</i>	Terry	Bob
<i>Service 2</i>	Alan	Elaine S
<i>Vote of Thanks</i>	Dugald	Nadine
Pastoral Care	Sally	Sally



Coming Speakers:

16 Sept: Charles Davis, photographer

30 Sept: Rhonda Stewart & Anya de Ruijter, with hospital mannequin

14 Oct: Peter Bascomb – the future of the

DID YOU KNOW? Kevin posed a set of questions on Cathy Freeman OAM, the only Australian person to win the two awards: Young Australian of the Year, 1990, and Australian of the Year, 1998.





GUEST SPEAKER: Gail Eastaway, award winning journalist

- Editor/part owner of the Monaro Post
- Educated in Cooma
- Cadetship at the C-M Express
- Started the Monaro Post 14 years ago as a reaction to what was felt to be a loss of touch with the local community by the group that owned the Express
- Monaro Post: an attempt to cover all three local government areas
- Originally printed in Melbourne, then Sydney, then Fyshwick, now to Sydney with problems of transporting the paper back to Cooma
- Fully owned by local people, 5 shareholders, with 14 staff
- Envisaged at first as a 28-page paper; first edition 32 pages and growing ever since, sometimes 64 pages, despite attempts to shut the paper down
- Ongoing support by local council
- Concentrate on local tourism, distributed interstate
- Innovations Magazine, two farming magazines, one in Spring, one in Autumn
- Feature issues such as 100 years of Rugby League in the area
- Core business printing a paper; digital means to publicise and on sell advertising
- On-line subscription service; ACC looking to prevent social media taking articles from the papers
- Country Press Association helpful especially during Covid
- Covid affected advertising, staff now back up to 90% employment hours





PLEASE ADVISE HASS IF YOU ARE APOLOGISING FOR NON-ATTENDANCE BY MONDAY EVENING BEFORE THE COMING MEETING: 0413 309 596 or hassall.m@bigpond.com Someone has to pay for the meals ordered!!!

NEXT MEETING: 16 September, speaker Charles Davis, photographer

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