



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Cooma Rotary Club Inc

Theme: New Leadership Month

11 August – Breakfast Meeting

Coming Meetings and Social Events:

25 August – Possible Zoom Meeting

1 September - Meeting



BIRTHDAYS in August – 1st Neil B, 10th Richard H, 11th Ash – Best wishes

Highlights of the Week:

Glenys – Next meeting

Covid lockdown in Regional NSW- the Snowy Monaro in particular- has now been extended until 28 August. Our next scheduled evening meeting on 25 August will not be going ahead.

Please advise if you are interested in attending a meeting via ZOOM on the 25 August or whether we hold off and have our next meeting on 1 September at the Club.

If you haven't returned your votes for potential project please do so by 23 August.

PLEASE ADVISE JANINE BY **MONDAY EVENING** BEFORE THE MEETING
IF YOU ARE A MEETING APOLOGY OR IF YOU ARE BRINGING A GUEST:
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Breakfast Meeting



The Breakfast meeting well attended with 27 people attending with 24 enjoying a cooked breakfast.

Of the people attending the club welcomed nine members of the public including an ex exchange student who has just moved to the district and wants to be involved but didn't know where to begin. A staff member and teacher from the Christian school who

are interested in working with our club, local agencies with some youth related projects. There were also some "Coomaites" who just wanted to get to know about and become involved in what is happening in the community. Networking was done with the visitors by members and club directors exchanging email addresses so they can be made aware of ideas and future projects.



We also welcomed Geoff Bowland who welcomed the opportunity to be able to be part of Rotary fellowship and activity at a time he can attend.



Donna Smith from the Cooma Visitors Centre spoke about tourism and regional events supported by the Snowy Monaro Regional Council. Council supports events through infrastructure, public spaces, community venues, trails, public toilets and streetscapes. They also operate two visitors' centres, one in Cooma and the other in

Bombala. Cooma visitors centre will have been operating for 60 years in October 2021, making it the longest service information centre in regional NSW. Contact with the Centres is through face-to-face visitors, and online through the website and social media pages. Events promoted by the Centre





are helping to even out the tourist numbers to the area which are currently represented by 80% of visitors being here in Winter. They are constantly on the lookout for events which will even out the tourist visitor numbers. It has been seen that November through to Easter is the events time. There is an annual calendar of events available on the website and subscribers are provided with regular emails promoting the events.

Chris Hanna is the President Cooma Chamber of Commerce and owner of Hip Pocket Workwear. He advised that the Chamber lobby for and support business in the Cooma area. They currently have approximately 120 members representing various businesses in the area. The Cooma Chamber have been working closely with Council and groups like Rotary to increase the exposure of Cooma as a place to be. The Chamber recently received some grant money. Firstly \$15,000 which will assist with promoting Cooma and region on the Channel 7 Network for the next 12 months. There are about 23 business already signed up. Each business will contribute \$1,000 which will allow for every business to be filmed, photographed and subsequently promoted. Also received a grant to relaunch the So Much to Love campaign. The idea is to promote as much as possible out of area so people know what the region has to offer.



MEETING ROSTER

If your name appears on the roster and you are unable to be there, please organize an alternative for your role

Tasks	1 September	
Meet & Greet	Charlee	
Fines or Did You Know	John Chapman	
Wine Raffle	Nadine	
Jiggle the Joker	Elaine S	
Property	Dave H	
Banners		
Toll Collector	Janine	
Meal Service	Mark JN	
Vote of Thanks		
Pastoral Care	Elaine M	

Market Roster 19 September 2021

Vans & BBQ towing	Terry Tony Barford Mark JN
Snag Experts	Babu Ash Kevin
Van Operators	Jeannette Sally Judy
Photographer/PR	Nadine
COVID 19 policeman/Meet and greet	Nadine
Coffee Van	Mark JN