

# COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.

## October is Vocational Services Month

**Bulletin # 15 Meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> October 2010**



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{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

Members Present: 7 Make-ups 3

Attendance 59%

Guest Speaker Michael Gibbons from Coolamon

Visiting Rotarian John McKenny RC Glen Innes

Guest: Brendon Gibbons from Coolamon

### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Ian Durham welcomed our guests and our visiting Rotarian John McKenny.

Ian went on to report on the Great Cowra Escape weekend. The trip to Cowra/Canowindra on Friday, Saturday and Sunday was a highly enjoyable and successful trip. Those who attended, Henk and Maureen Hulsman, Ray and Maria Foley, Max and Sue Chapman, Ian Durham and Christine Lorraine and of course our organisers, Garth and Marg Perkin all enjoyed the hospitality of the Cowra and Canowindra region over the weekend.

Ian gave his thanks to Marg and Garth Perkin for all the investigation and research of the area that resulted in a great weekend for all those that participated.

### **SECRETARY'S REPORT**

John Glassford read out the correspondence and of note:

- Letter of thanks from the Coolamon Central School P&C.
- Email from the Ganmain Guardian re advertising.
- Circular from Life Education Australia looking for support.
- Email from D 9700 re 2 for 1 polio contributions on line.
- Bulletins Wollundry Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga Koorngal (late in).
- Bulletin Henry's Herald from RC of Milford, Auckland New Zealand.
- Bulletins RC Bourne-Sandwich Massachusetts USA. Bulletin RC Parkwood Gold Coast.
- Bulletins RC Wagga Wagga Sunrise, RC June. RC Hout Bay Cape Town.
- Book of raffle tickets from Temora Rotary. All sold on the night. {Great Prize on offer}.

## SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT.

Ray Foley reminded those rostered on re their duties.

Bingo Thursday November 11<sup>th</sup> ; on are Ray Foley, Ian Jennings, Max Chapman and Rod Jarrett.

Neil Munro reported on the bingo night a great success with 34 players and a profit of around \$418.50 from the night. President Ian thanked Neil Munro, Max Chapman, Grahame Miles and Craig Corrigan.

**REMINDER:** Max Chapman still wants the remaining phone books in as soon as possible. There was a general discussion on how to approach the advertisers for the book. The personal approach was the preferred method. Please offer your help to Max to get the job done.

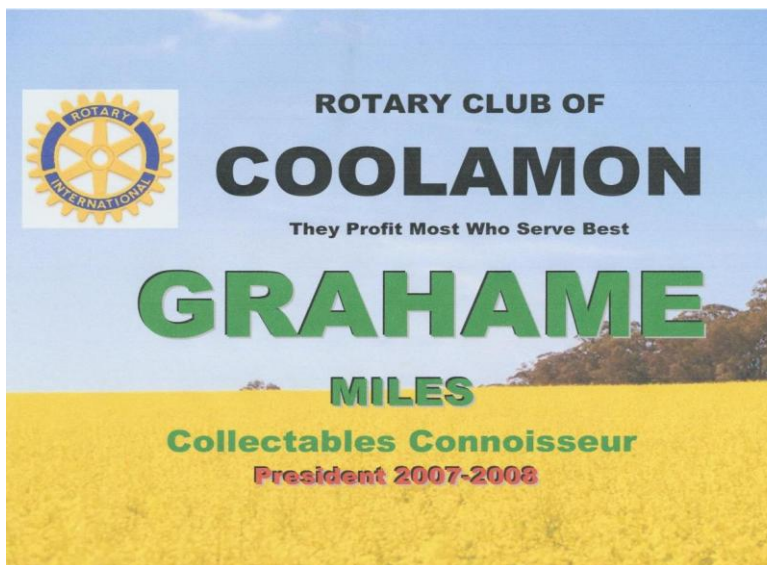
## CLUB ADMINISTRATION.

### GENERAL BUSINESS.

#### 1. Hospital Fete 26<sup>th</sup> October.

The following members have volunteered to man the chocolate wheel this Saturday from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Ian Durham, Ray Foley, Henk Hulsman, Neil Munro and John Glassford.

#### 2. Proposed New Dinner Badges



There have not been any major objections to the above design. Therefore the next step is for you all to send John Glassford your classifications, in other words what you would like to see on your dinner badge. John will then create one for you and send it back to you. In the mean time John has sent the art work to Gecko for a quote.

#### 3. World AIDS Day December 1<sup>st</sup> 2010

John Glassford advised the meeting that RFFA (Australia) will be asking our club to support the Lunch Bag idea for World AIDS Day. Sample lunch bag envelopes will be sent to all the clubs in our Group 5 asking for their support.

## **MICHAEL GIBBONS GUEST SPEAKER.**

Neil Munro introduced our guest speaker Michael Gibbons. Michael goes to school at the Kildare Catholic School in Wagga Wagga and is currently in year 9. Michael is 15 years old and has dreams of playing AFL football one day. Michael supports Hawthorn and plays for Coolamon.

Michael spoke about his trip of his young life so far when he was selected to represent New South Wales in the under 15 team to travel to Perth to play and train in the carnival there for all teams in Australia.

### ***The whole trip culminated in Michael being selected for the All Australian Under 15 side.***

Before the trip Michael detailed his journey which included playing the Leeton Under 17s and winning by 100 points. Michael also went to Albury with the Catholic Schools team and was named player of that carnival. It was here that Michael was selected for NSW.

The journey to Perth included visiting Subiaco Oval to watch West Coast train and also a visit to the Fremantle Jail. The football was exciting and they had mixed results winning some and losing some. Michael was runner up for the best and fairest for NSW and was 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the carnival.

Michael finished by thanking our club for the support. All present were very impressed with this young man and we wish him well with his dream to play AFL for Hawthorn one day and we are confident that he will.



Michael Gibbons (centre) with his father Brendon on his right.

Past President Neil Munro, Michael and Brendon admiring Michael's NSW Team photo and proudly showing his two precious jerseys.

## THE GREAT COWRA ESCAPE.



The escapees from Coolamon doing what they do best tasting some excellent wines from the Cowra and Canowindra region of NSW.

Below a visit to Cowra cannot go without walking through the Japanese Gardens. In our team are some avid gardeners, including Sue Chapman, whose gardens at "Kiambo" were often used to raise funds for our club projects.



"On a showery, freezing morning we all travelled to Canowindra where we wandered around the town inspecting various shops and attractions, stopping for morning tea at "The Taste", before heading to "The Age of Fishes Museum". This is a museum built especially to highlight the discovery near Canowindra, of fish fossils that existed before the age of the dinosaur. After that it was out to "Toms Waterhole Winery" for wine tasting and a lunch featuring homemade bread, cheese, pickles, olives etc. A Coolamon Rotary banner was presented to the winery proprietors to hang on their wall for future visitors to see. From there we headed on to "The Falls Retreat", a winery with 500 acres of grapes and a very impressive resort featuring a heated indoor pool, full beauty salon, massage tables, spray tanning room, and many more features, too numerous to mention.

After breakfast the next morning we all travelled to The Japanese gardens to see a very beautiful and well presented garden that remembers the POW camp and the Japanese inmates that were interred there during the Second World War. From there it was a short trip to see the relics of the actual site of the POW camp that housed Japanese, Italian, Chinese, Korean and Indonesian Prisoners of War. This was also the site of the "breakout" by Japanese POW,s on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 1944 that resulted in the deaths of 231 Japanese POW's and 4 Australian military guards."

{As told by the escapees.}

***Henk and Maureen Hulsman, Ray and Maria Foley, Max and Sue Chapman, Ian Durham and Christine Lorraine as well as Marg and Garth Perkin.***



## VISITING ROTARIAN.



John McKenny of the Rotary Club of Glen Innes has visited us three times now. John is working in the Coolamon Shire at the moment and we have enjoyed his company, welcome back anytime John.

## REMINDERS

Just a few reminders as to what we as a club wish to achieve this Rotary year. With a reduced number of members we all need to help where we can. If we share the work load it will make life a lot easier for those who are always putting their hands up.

### 1. Telephone Book

Max Chapman needs assistance right now. Those who have offered their help in the past now is the time to call Max. President Ian will be present at the next telephone book committee meeting.

### 2. President Elect and Board for 2011-2012

The AGM is set for December 6<sup>th</sup> Please think about nominating the board for 2011-2012 as follows:

President 2011-2012  
President Elect 2012-2013  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Directors

Club Administration  
Membership  
Service Projects  
Foundation  
Youth New Generations  
Immediate Past President

**Ian Durham**

### 3. Community Day and Monster Raffle.

Chair and committee required to start the work.

### 4. Red Shield Appeal Day and Clean Up Australia Day

Coordinators required

**DIARY:**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Saturday October Coolamon and District Hospital Fete**

*13<sup>th</sup> November Inter Club Vocational visit by Wagga Wagga Sunrise to Coolamon and Ganmain\**

26<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> November RYPEN Challenge Borambola. (Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment year 9)

*1<sup>st</sup> December World AIDS Day RFFA's Lunch Bag Project.*

6<sup>th</sup> December 2010 Annual General Meeting.

11<sup>th</sup> December Annual Christmas Party.

29<sup>th</sup> January 2011 Coolamon Street Raffle.

23<sup>rd</sup> February 2011 Rotary's 106<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

*5<sup>th</sup> Saturday March 2011 {Thursday}: Coolamon Rotary Club's 40<sup>th</sup> BIRTHDAY PARTY. N.B.!*

21<sup>st</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> March RYDA in Wagga Wagga (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness).

*1-3 April 2011 District 9700 Conference Orange*

11-16<sup>th</sup> April R.Y.L.A. in Parkes (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards 18-25 years old.)

**17<sup>th</sup> April Coolamon Community Day.**

21-25 May 2011 Rotary International Convention in New Orleans

1 July 2011 Coolamon's 40<sup>th</sup> Change Over Dinner {Friday Night}

\* N.B. Still To Be Confirmed. Wagga Wagga Sunrise wishes to bring around 30 Rotarians and partners for a visit to Coolamon and Ganmain on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November. They will be arriving in Coolamon for a lunch with our club and then go onto Ganmain for a straw bale building tour. Please let the board know if you would like to be part of this opportunity to have a good time with Sunrise and visit Ganmain with them on their tour of the straw bale "village".

**ROSTERS:**

**Bingo Thursday November. 11<sup>th</sup>: Ray Foley, Ian Jennings, Max Chapman, Rod Jarrett.**

- Caravan Park 22<sup>nd</sup> October Ian Durham and Ray Foley
- Caravan Park 29<sup>th</sup> October Ray Foley and Craig Corrigan
- Caravan Park 5<sup>th</sup> November Craig Corrigan and Henk Hulsman

\*\*\*\*\* Please check the web site under rosters for the updated roster list.

**COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB WEB SITE:** <http://www.coolamonrotary.com>

Rotarians For Fighting AIDS: <http://www.rffa.org>

The Orphan Rescue Kit Africa: <http://theork.com>

Mountains of the Moon Climb 2011: <http://www.mountainsofthemoon.org>