


COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.



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Bulletin # 38 for the Meeting May 2nd 2011

{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

40 Years Ago May 8th. 1971 our Charter was presented to the Coolamon Rotary Club by District Governor Keith Grainger of D 270.

The following members were the Charter members on that night:

{Read out by PP Neil Munro}

+William Chittick Innes	WC and JM Innes	Farmer
Michael Joseph Curtis	Coolamon Shire Council	Shire Clerk
John William Agnew	Education Department Secondary	Principal
Murray Ernest Nash	Coolamon Shire Council	Shire Engineer
Ronald Laurence Francis	Postal Services	Postmaster
Brian John Harvey	Methodist Church	Minister
Bruce Mckane	Presbyterian Church	Minister
Herbert Ronald Hopkins	HR Hopkins	Principal
Donald Henry Hoore	Church of England	Rector
Robert George Furner	RG and M Furner	Farmer
Charle John McCoy	Coolamon Caravan park	Principal
Lionel Keith West	LK and VE West	Licencee
Eric Hornby	Coolamon Dry Cleaners	Manager
*George Leonard Hutcheon	Hutcheon and Pearce	Manager
Kenneth Lancelot Logan	Coolamon Motors	Principal
Edward Ronald Butterfield	Coolamon Pharmacy	Principal
John Renwick Eyles	Coolamon Shire Council	Health Surveyor
Robert Gerard Allen	RG Allen Coaches	Principal
Desmond Patrick Faggatter	Department of Education	Deputy Principal
Benny Raymond Dumbrell	Northern Riverina County Council	District Manager

*Current Member

+Current Honourary member

HAPPY BIRTHDAY COOLAMON 40 YEARS YOUNG!



President Ian Durham and Charter Member George Hutcheon cutting the cake.



John Winterbottom historian and guest speaker from Wagga Wagga with our District Governor Neal Fogarty. A full report on our 40th party follows the photos below.



PDG Fred Loneragan and the Sunrise Ladies



George you still got it!



Great to see you back Dick with our Mayor Robert Menzies



Davis Davis, Frank Fuller and David Benn with friends.

Members Present: 11 Make-ups 4

Attendance 79%

In attendance were Ian Durham, Max Chapman, George Hutcheon, John Glassford, Leslie Weston, Grahame Miles, Dick Jennings, Henk Hulsman, Neil Munro, Paul Weston and Marg Perkin.

Visiting Rotarians:

District Governor Neal Fogarty and Barbara Fogarty
Past District Governor Fred Loneragan, Joan Skewes, Val Samuelson from Wagga Wagga Sunrise RC.
President Jenny Clarke from Narrandera Rotary Club plus 22 members and partners.
President Frank Fuller Wollundry Wagga Wagga with PP David Benn
President Ross Reid from Junee Rotary Club

Past Coolamon Rotarians

Bob McCormack, Annette Green, Barry Lillywhite, Bert Browning

Guests:

Mayor Bob Menzies and Betty Menzies from Coolamon Shire Council
Ms Thida Hing Royce Abbey Scholar from Cambodia
Christine Lorraine, Susan Wingate-Pearse, Maureen Hulsman, Sue Chapman, Sharon Miles
Jason Sachs ***{Stop Press! Jason has accepted our invitation to join our club.}***

Guest Speaker:

John Winterbottom Wagga Wagga Historian and Raconteur

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

President Ian Durham welcomed all our members and our guests to our birthday party and said how proud he was to be our President during our 40th year as a Rotary Club. Ian read out a birthday message from Kay Hull the former Federal Member for the Riverina:

"I was so thrilled to get your invite for the 40th celebration, and then looked at the date and found I am in Sydney that evening at a Board Meeting for Can Assist.

Please convey a sincere apology for Graeme and myself.

I do hope your celebration is fabulous and thanks to the club for all that you do for the people of Coolamon and District. We are so lucky to have such motivation.

Warmest wishes as always."

Kay Hull

APOLOGIES:

There were several apologies including one from Garth Perkin currently in Cambodia on a RAWCS Volunteer programme or FAIM as it was once known. (FAIM Fourth Avenue In Motion).

PDG John Egan and Maria Egan on their way to the USA. AG Gary Roberts and Marilyn Roberts.

Hon Rotarian Mick and Molly Curtis, Bruce and Lorraine Hamilton, Bruno and Rhonda Holzapfel.

Charter Member Bill Innes and Joan Innes, Ian and Marilyn Jennings, Craig and Stephanie Corrigan.

Roger and Fay Quine from Junee, as well as Ingrid and Keith Sykes.

GUEST SPEAKER JOHN WINTERBOTTOM.

Well John was at his best tonight and kept the party going with his amusing and sometimes poignant talk.

John's talk was on women and how they were treated and what happened to them in our early years and not so early years in this country.

John suggested that we all read a copy of *Mary Gilmore's book "Old Days and Old Ways"*. John explained that most women lived in tents and when a stranger approached they locked themselves in their tent for fear of being assaulted. Tents were handy along the Murrumbidgee as they could easily be picked up and moved on approaching floods.

Women wore big flowing dresses and cooked three meals a day on camp fires in the open and often their dresses caught fire and many women died or were disfigured as a result.

John spoke about the Wiradjuri people and long before European settlement the highest cause of death was smallpox and syphilis which decimated their population.

There was a shortage of women when we settled the area and often men of 40-50 married 16-17 year old girls and many men died from heart attacks. Nearly all weddings took place between 5-7 am in the morning hence the name wedding breakfast.

Many Irish women settled in the Yass, Tumut, Gundagai and Wagga areas however the English settlers did not like the Irish. There were exceptions and John spoke of one strong Irish woman who owned Gumly Station and rode a horse like a man!

Women had no money and owned very little that they could call their own and at the turn of the century in the early 1900's the women's franchise act was enacted which allowed women to own their own horse and the clothes on their back.

However it did not stop there even though women in World War 2 could take on the men's' work like driving trucks and tractors, as soon as the war was over they went back to being a chattel again.

Grahame Miles thanked John for the talk and presented him with a kangaroo money pouch.



The poet and writer Dame Mary Gilmore grew up in the Wagga Wagga district of New South Wales in the 1860s and 1870s, a period of profound social and ecological change in southern New South Wales. During these decades, closer settlement legislation and the arrival of the Great Southern Railway sparked a dramatic intensification of agricultural development in the Wagga district. Town growth and the arrival of farming families displaced Wiradjuri survivors of violence and disease from station camps and waterways.

DSITRICT GOVERNOR NEAL FOGARTY

Neal thanked President Ian and our members for going to the trouble of celebrating our 40th party and congratulated the club on its achievements over the past 40 years and that we have a tremendous record. Neal suggested that we put a book together of our history.

Neal commented on the messages from around the world and said that clubs pull communities and continents together and Coolamon is known throughout the Rotary world with its involvement in Africa and Hout Bay, our Centennial twin Club.

THANKS

Thanks must go to President Elect Marg Perkin for organising the evening and sending out all the invitations amongst a few of the myriad of things that have to be done for such an event.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS FROM AROUND THE WORLD:

There were several birthday greetings, amongst many sent, read out by our members and past members present that we received from the following clubs and districts around the world:

RC Clark Centennial D 3790 Angeles City, Philippines
RC of Milford, Auckland, New Zealand D 9910
RC of Cumberland Centennial, BC, Canada, D5020
RC Escondido Sunrise District 5340 San Diego County, California USA
Strathcona Sunrise Rotary Club Courtenay, BC, Canada
Guayaquil Rotary Club in Ecuador D 4400
Rotary Club of Hudson, Florida USA in District 6950
RC Nakuru The Great Rift Valley Kenya D9200
Rotary Club of Rawalpindi, RI District 3272. Pakistan
RC of Las Vegas, New Mexico
RC Bellavista-Atizapán - Distrito 4170 México
Rotary Club of Loyola Heights RID 3780 Quezon City, Philippines
Rotary Club of Seneca, South Carolina USA District 7750, in the land of the crying mountains

District Governor Todd Lindley D 6060 Missouri sent a special message, which is on our web site.

PDG Mark Doyle Global Chair of RFFA wrote thanking Coolamon Rotary for the work we do for RFFA and Africa through the Orphan Rescue Kits.

The President and Members of the RC Coolamon,

My sincere congratulations to you and all past members of the RC Coolamon.

I know from your club website some of the many activities that you have undertaken in the service of Rotary over the years.

And, of course, I know firsthand what you have done for the cause of RFFA in contributing mightily to the cause of Orphaned and Vulnerable Children especially in Africa.

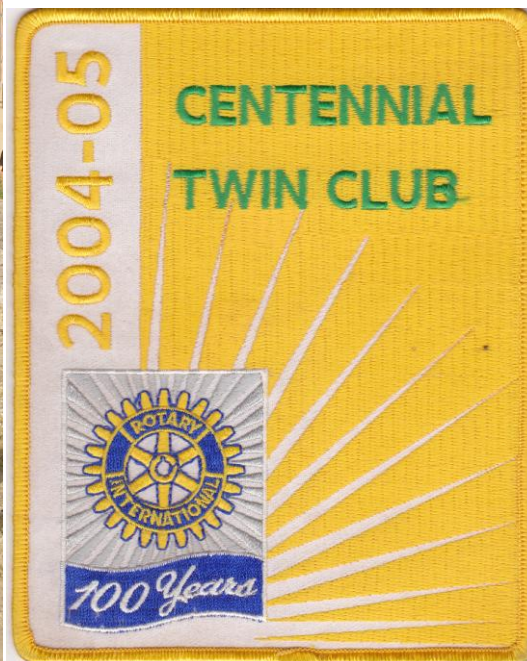
You all have reason to be proud of what you have achieved in the past 40 years and the world will benefit from your efforts in the future.

Thank you.

Mark Doyle

PDG D 9250 1996/97 Global Chair RFFA.

President Patrick McLaughlin from our Twin Centennial Rotary Club Hout Bay in South Africa sent this very special greeting to us:



Dear President Ian and Coolamon members,

My wonderful wife has got me up to the office and to write this message to all our Coolamon friends in Australia. There's something a triple by-pass operation teaches you and that is the value of Rotary friendship which stretches across the world. All day, every day I have had Rotary friendship and over the years Rotarian John has been a very special friend, climbing his mountains and working Rotary with such great enthusiasm. It means a lot to me to write this message.

Coolamon has special values for us all here in Rotary Club of Hout Bay because you are our twinned club and there are not too many twinned clubs in the world today. It represents a special partnership, plus the fact that South Africans and Australians are also special people, anyway.

When you drive out of our home town here there is the biggest sign on our local clinic on the Main Road which says "Coolamon House", so your message is here big time, all the time. May that message also always declare our friendship and common values.

We wish you a happy celebration from each one of our members here and we shall toast Rotary Club of Coolamon at our Tuesday meeting.

Good on all of you. Regards in Rotary.

Patrick McLaughlin President Rotary Club of Hout Bay

ROSTERS:

1. Bingo

Thurs. May 12th: Rod Jarrett, Neil Munro, Grahame Miles and Mark Reardon.

2. Caravan Park Cleaning

- Caravan Park 8th May 2011 Dick Jennings and Garth Perkin
- Caravan Park 13th May 2011 Garth Perkin and Grahame Miles
- Caravan Park 20th May 2011 Grahame Miles and Henk Hulsman

DIARY:

30th May Monday Monster Raffle Draw in Coolamon.

21-25 May 2011 Rotary International Convention in New Orleans

16th July Coolamon Street Raffle

29 July 2011 Coolamon's 40th Change Over Dinner {Friday Night}

October 2011 RYDA in Wagga Wagga (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness).

1st December 2011 Mountains of the Moon Summit.

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

Hout Bay Rotary Club our Twin Club: <http://www.rotaryhoutbay.org>

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

Rotary Down Under on line: <http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49598/pub>



"My name was David, but that sounded old fashioned. So I shortened it to DVD!"



"Hello, Bob? It's your father again.
I have another question about my new computer.
Can I tape a movie from cable TV then fax it from
my VCR to my CD-ROM then E-mail it to my
brother's cellular phone so he can make a
copy on his neighbor's camcorder?"