

Coolamon Rotary News

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Weekly Meeting – 27 February, 2012

In attendance: John Burns, Craig Corrigan, Ian Durham, John Glassford, Henk Hulsman, Grahame Miles, Neil Munro, Garth Perkin, Leslie Weston, Paul Weston

Visiting Rotarians: Christine Atkinson, Wagga

Wagga RC

Guest: Christine Lorraine

Acting president Grahame Miles called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The meeting was primarily for fellowship, but several issues regarding the Monster Shopping Spree Raffle and the Up-To-Date Store Market were discussed and settled. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.



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In attendance: John Burns, Ian Durham, John Glassford, Henk Hulsman, Dick Jennings, Ian Jennnings, Grahame Miles, Marg Perkin, Garth Perkin, Leslie Weston, Paul Weston

Guests: Val Burns, Jeanette Campbell, Marilyn Jennings, Christine Lorraine, and reps from the local schools (Delwyn Craig, CCS Coolamon Secretary; Jody Graham, CCS President; Julienne Culley, Marrar Secretary; Collette Wallace, Marrar President; Brett Delahunty, St Michael's Coolamon Assn President; Isaac Hill, St Michael's Coolamon President; Anthony Quinn, St Brendon's Ganmain President; Philip Hatty, St Brendon's Ganmain Vice President; Philip Logan, Ganmain Public School; Kerrilee Logan, Ganmain Public School President) Apologies: Ardlethan school reps (flood-bound)

President Marg called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The main items of business for the evening were the induction of Coolamon Rotary's newest member, John Burns, and a presentation by Grahame Miles on the Monster Shopping Spree Raffle to representatives of the P&C committees of schools in the shire. After being duly inducted by President Marg (at left), John was heartily welcomed into the club by the rest of the members in attendance. (continued next page)

President of Rotary International Governor of District 9700 Coolamon Club President Coolamon Club President-Elect Coolamon Club Secretary Coolamon Club Treasurer



Kalyan Banerjee Ian Simpson Marg Perkin Paul Weston John Glassford Henk Hulsman

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Meeting of 5 March (continued)

Grahame shared his ideas for running the sales of raffle tickets by students. Grahame stressed the importance of having all tickets accounted for by the schools (whether sold or unsold), and suggested incentives to encourage students to sell more tickets. At the conclusion of the meeting, Grahame and Ian distributed tickets to the school reps (pictured at right).

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.



President's Report



27 Feb - I wish to share the following information to you. Kalyan Banerjee, the president of Rotary International, will be in our District on Tuesday 22nd May. The District Board is planning a dinner that night where a Mass Induction will take place. It is hoped that between 30 and 50 will be inducted. All members of the District will be invited to attend the Dinner. The program "100 members in 100 days" goes from 1st March to 8th June. District Governor Ian has asked that the following information be shared as well. On the Saturday night of the Conference, awards will be made as follows: 1) Navin Hughes Outstanding New Project, 2) Alf Gillespie Community Service Award, 3) International Service Award, 4) Graham Barber Vocational Service Award, and 5) Alan Josey Youth Award.

The outline for the submissions are as follows: A) Club, B) Award title, C) Project title, D) Description of the activity, E) The number of people who benefited, and F) Date(s) of the project. The submission also must include a brief statement with any other relevant information. There is also a Club Attendance Award for conference attendance and a Bulletin Award. Ian would like any applications to him by Friday, 9th March.

5 Mar - It was great to see so many people attend our meeting, including the ten representatives from the local schools. Well done Grahame and his team for the work that went into the planning of the raffle. I'm sure it will go very well. Everyone is now quite clear on how it is to be organised and what the benefits are for the schools involved. The mathematics computer program Mathletics, which John briefly outlined, is certainly a good program for participating schools to consider purchasing for their schools if they don't already have a subscription. A tangible benefit like this, among many other possibilities, should be a good incentive for students to sell lots of tickets.

As mentioned before, the International President will be in Wagga on Tuesday, 22nd May. A dinner meeting will be held in Wagga on that night, but details are yet to be finalized (Assistant DG Gary Roberts will notify us when details are available). We will make this our meeting night.

Thank you to Ian Jennings for his organisation of the GSE team visit to Coolamon. It is always a fun time when we get to host visitors from overseas. The members' biographies read very well indeed. We hope a lot of members will attend the meeting on the 19th March to listen to John's presentation on his recent trip to Uganda. He would appreciate a good roll up for this. Please pass on his flyer to anyone you think may be interested.

I have already posted one on the community notice board in the Library.

Upcoming Events

- John Glassford and guest speakers will be making a special presentation to the club on their 2011 expedition to the Mountains of the Moon. As usual, guests welcome.
- Our guest speaker for 2nd April will be Melina Skidmore from a program called Angels for the Forgotten, which is a program dedicated to working towards better outcomes for children living in care or crisis situations.
- On 23rd April we will hear a presentation from Narelle Thomas, a botanical artist who recently had an exhibition at the Wagga Art Gallery. Narelle has been inspired by the unique Australian flora and fauna, and will be the Artist in Residence at the art show and the Up-To-Date Store later this year.
- Don't forget the garden show planned for Easter Saturday (7th April). Tours of local gardens of distinction will be on offer, an effort to promote the township of Coolamon. Rotary members will be asked to give assistance on the day (more details to follow).

Don't forget to consult the diary for other upcoming events.

DIARY

(NOTE: All Coolamon RC meetings are 6:30 for 7:00 unless otherwise listed)

12 Mar	Coolamon RC board meeting, Perkins' residence (self-catered). NB: 8:00 start.
19 Mar	Coolamon RC regular meeting (Coolamon Sports & Rec Club). Guest speaker: John
	Glassford on the Mountains of the Moon trek. Catering by Gilbert; phone with
	apologies.
23-25 Mar	District 9700 Convention (Young, NSW). Visit Coolamon RC website for details
	regarding accommodation (early booking is recommended).
26-29 Mar	Visit from GSE participants from Scotland
	25 Mar: Arrival in Coolamon
	26 Mar: Attending Coolamon RC regular meeting (Coolamon Sports & Rec. Club).
	Catering by Gilbert; phone with apologies.
2 Apr	Coolamon RC regular meeting (Coolamon Sports & Rec Club). Guest speaker:
	Melinda Skidmore, Angels of the Forgotten.
12 Apr	Bingo. Roster: Leslie Weston, Paul Weston, Marg Perkin, John Glassford.
15 Apr	Coolamon Rotary Craft & Produce Market, Up-To-Date Store, 9:00 am – 3:00 pm.
16 Apr	Coolamon RC regular meeting (Coolamon Sports & Rec Club). Guest speaker: TBA.
20 Apr	Fundraiser for Zone 10/District 9700 at Temora Ex-Services Club. Guest speaker:
	surgeon from Interplast. Cost: \$20/head.
23 Apr	Coolamon RC regular meeting (Coolamon Sports & Rec Club). Guest speaker:
	Narelle Thomas, botanical artist.
6-9 May	Rotary International conference in Bangkok. Further information can be located on
	www.rotary.org/convention.
2 July	Changeover dinner and drawing for Monster Shopping Spree raffle.

Websites of Interest

Coolamon Rotary Club: http://coolamonrotary.com

Mountains of the Moon Climb 2011: http://www.mountainsofthemoon.org
Rotary Down Under on line: http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49598/pub

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

Our Rotary Centennial Twin Club Hout Bay, Cape Town, South Africa:

http://www.rotaryhoutbay.org

Don't forget to regularly check our club web site for current information such as bingo rosters and various newsletters from the District Governor, the School of St. Jude's, the monthly membership on the move newsletter as well as several other club bulletins.