

COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.

September is New Generations Month

Bulletin # 10 Meeting of the 13th September 2010



Report Meeting 13th September 2010.

{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

Members Present 9
Make Ups 2
Attendance 65%

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ian Durham welcomed all our members present.

President Ian informed the members that he had accepted Bert Browning's resignation.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

John Glassford read out the correspondence and of note:

- Bulletins from Wollundry Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga Koorringal.
- Bulletin Henry's Herald from RC of Milford, Auckland New Zealand.
- Email from Rotary Foundation re Paul Harris Fellows list to be updated.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Henk Hulsman again reminded members of the fees due.

SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT.

Max Chapman discussed the upcoming telephone book and a committee meeting was organised following the ordinary meeting. Advertising fees and number of books to be printed was on the agenda.

Neil Munro reported on the bingo night which showed a profit of \$307.50. President Ian thanked those rostered on which were Neil Munro, Bert Browning, Dick Jennings and John Glassford.

Dick Jennings conducted a spirited fines session and as usual no one was spared.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm.

Some positive developments in the fight against polio: {21st August 2010}



{Taken from the Monthly Update from the Pakistan Polio Plus Division}.

Afghanistan

On the Border – after a recent outbreak in neighboring Tajikistan, Afghan officials are trying new approaches to ensure that the polio virus doesn't enter through the border. Six permanent polio immunization booths have been erected at border crossing checkpoints, where military personnel are immunizing children before they enter the country. Drops are also being given in unlikely places, including at weddings, in female prisons, and on trains and buses. Despite insecurity that has hindered access in some restricted areas, case counts have remained steady, with 13 polio cases reported this year, compared to 13 at the same time last year.

Horn of Africa

Celebrating One Year Polio Free –As of 30 July 2010, the Horn of Africa, including Sudan, Ethiopia, Kenya and Uganda, has once again been declared polio-free after an outbreak in 2009 threatened that status. The last case of polio reported there was in July 2009.

India

Indian Rotarians Engage Muslim Leadership – Rotarians recently organized a meeting in Meerut, Uttar Pradesh to encourage the Muslim leadership to support polio eradication activities in the area. Uttar Pradesh accounts for 10 of the 27 polio cases reported in India during 2010. The meeting resulted in a strengthening of relations between the Ulemas and Rotarians, and future meetings are being planned to continue the collaborative effort.

Nigeria

Nigeria receives high praise from African Union Leaders – At their summit in Kampala, Uganda, the African Union praised Nigeria's efforts to eradicate polio. As of 4 August 2010, Nigeria is reporting 6 polio cases compared to 365 at the same time last year. Dr Mohammed Pate, the Executive Director of the National Primary Health Care Development Agency (NPHCDA) cited increased political engagement among all stakeholders as key to the dramatic success in reducing cases.

Pakistan

Polio cases have indicated an alarming rise from FATA & KPK region in the last 2 months. Total number of confirmed polio cases (as on 25th of August, 2010) = 43. Details are: 25 type-1 cases; 18 type-3 cases.



Above: Some images from Karachi showing publicity for the National Immunization Drive for Polio translated the board says: 'National Immunization Drive' – Get rid of polio with two drops of polio vaccine for every child, every time.

Massive need persists in Pakistan as floods move South: {6th Sept. 2010}

There is still a massive need in Pakistan five weeks after the country's worst flooding in living memory began.

The floods have submerged an area bigger than the UK and as they move south they are continuing to cause havoc. Thousands of families are still in urgent need of food, clean water and shelter in Pakistan's Sindh province.

In the past four days, ShelterBox has provided shelter for thousands of families in Sindh, working in the city of Thatta. Since Thursday, September 2, 1,290 disaster relief tents have been distributed and eight camps have been established. A further 500 tents will be distributed in the next 48 hours.



Weeks after massive downpours first battered northern Pakistan, submerging tens of thousands of square kilometres, killing about 1,500 people and leaving millions homeless, those floodwaters are still sweeping downriver and through the south, adding one more layer of misery to people long accustomed to hardship.

Many of about 20 million people affected by flooding in Pakistan have yet to receive any assistance despite a growing international relief effort.

Rotary International District 3271 comprises of Sindh and Baluchistan in Pakistan. Rotary Clubs have organized relief efforts to help the survivors of the recent Floods engulfing the river Indus area. Millions of people have been devastated as a result and many more are now homeless. We are working with clubs in the affected areas to get the relief supplies to most affected.

Large towns north of Karachi, in Pakistan's south, continue to be evacuated as the floods move further south.

ShelterBox has so far committed enough aid for up to 61,000 people with a further 3,000 tents set to be distributed in partnership with World Vision.

ShelterBox web site: <http://www.shelterbox.org>

ROSTERS:

- **Bingo Thursday October. 14th: Craig Corrigan, Neil Munro, Henk Hulsman, Grahame Miles.**
- **Caravan Park 17th September Dick Jennings and Ian Jennings.**
- **Caravan Park 24th September Ian Jennings and Garth Perkin.**
- **Caravan Park 1st October Garth Perkin and Grahame Miles.**

DIARY:

20th September Guest Speaker Dick Jennings on the W.A. Outback

27th September DG Neal and Barbara Fogarty's Visit.

4th October Board Meeting. To be confirmed (October Labour Day Weekend).

11th October Guest Speaker Dan Peverill.

16-17th OCTOBER COOLAMON ROTARY WEEKEND AWAY COWRA

29th January 2011 Coolamon Street Raffle.

23rd February 2011 Rotary's 106th Birthday.

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

1-3 April 2011 District 9700 Conference Orange

21-25 May 2011 Rotary International Convention in New Orleans

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

SOME WEB SITES.

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>

WE WILL MISS YOU BERT!

