

COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.

November is Rotary Foundation Month

Bulletin # 18 Meeting of the 8th November 2010



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{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

Members Present: 5*** Make-ups 5**

Attendance 59%

Guests 2 Leslie and Paul Weston from Coolamon

Correspondence

- ☐ Ganmain PS and Matong PS-requesting representative to Presentation night
- ☐ Wollundry bulletin
- ☐ World AIDS Day-RFFA Australia Chair Fred Loneragan (re: donating a day's lunch money)
- ☐ Account from Foodworks for \$229

General Business

- ☐ President Ian to query account from Foodworks.
- ☐ President Ian worried that schools have not yet got their cheques towards Presentation night. He will follow through.
- ☐ Marg Perkin will meet up with Ian to discuss Christmas party.
- ☐ Phonebook follow through still waiting on Craig Corrigan to complete. We need to complete quickly to get to printers in time before Christmas.
- ☐ Bingo this Thursday. Ray Foley and Neil Munro organising the float.
- ☐ Leslie Weston has offered to do a presentation on her trip to China -22nd November (pending access to computer and screen).
- ☐ A community planning day will be Sunday at the Community Centre at 2:30 for anyone interested in the direction of the town. Organised by CHAS {Coolamon Heritage and Advancement Society}.

Meeting closed with a brief fine session from stand –in S@A Dick Jennings.

Marg Perkin (for John Glassford). {Thank You Marg for the help with this bulletin}.

******* Obviously this is unsustainable and the few that turn up each week are now subsidising those that are unable to make Monday night meetings. It is important for all of us to make the effort now we are 17 in effect 13 active members. Harvest is on us so it is going to be even harder to get 12 -14 there every Monday night.**



The Pyramid of Khafre in Egypt is illuminated with End Polio Now. *Photo by Yasser Assem*

GOOD NEWS: Bivalent oral polio vaccine delivers powerful blow

The **bivalent oral polio vaccine (bOPV)** is proving to be a potent weapon in the global battle to eradicate the disease.

Developed to stop transmission of the type 1 and type 3 wild polioviruses simultaneously, **bOPV** was introduced in all four polio-endemic countries -- Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan -- in late 2009 and early 2010. It has helped reduce the incidence of polio in India to 39 cases as of 26 October, compared to 498 for the same period in 2009. The number of cases in Nigeria has fallen to 8 from 382 for that period.

"There's been the largest ever year-to-year drop in polio cases following the use of **bOPV**," says Dr. Bruce Aylward, director of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) at the World Health Organization.

The results of a field trial published in the British medical journal the *Lancet* in October underscore the effectiveness of the new vaccine. The randomized, double-blind, controlled trial, conducted by WHO between August and December 2008, involved 830 newborns in India who received **bOPV** or another polio vaccine.

By simplifying the logistics of immunizing children against polio, **bOPV** has become the centerpiece of the global strategy to end the disease.

"In this study we showed that the bivalent [vaccine] is much better than the trivalent," says Dr. Roland Sutter, coordinator of the GPEI's research and product development team.

"This vaccine could get us over the top and to the finish line for eradication," Sutter says.

For the full story read the RI web site: <http://www.rotary.org>

LUNCH MONEY FOR THE AIDS ORPHANS OF AFRICA

Every 14 seconds a child in Africa becomes an orphan due to the AIDS pandemic. There are now 20 million orphans in Africa where AIDS continues to infect and kills 6,000 Africans every day; robbing their children of their future.

PDG Fred Loneragan, Chair Rotarians For Fighting AIDS, RFFA Australia, has written to us asking for our help in distributing the World AIDS Day lunch bag for December 1st 2010.

Here is a reminder as to why we should help PDG Fred and the RFFA team:



"The first thing you notice about Mathare is the abundance of children, all of whom seem to be the same size. It's like a slum full of four year olds, all fluent in the language of "How are you!" Children meander through filth, shining their glorious youth and innocence in order to make it human, to make it bearable.

*It is hard to reconcile my ability to see the beauty, joy and goings on of life in the slum, with the revolting site you have to process in order to know it must be changed. The land is sucked of the green. The water is scarce, the trash unbelievable. There is music, constant music. There are babies being held, old men shooting the shit, hunched grandmas walking together. **It is life, at the same time as it should, and never should, be.**" Megan Macdonald Rotary Ambassadorial Scholar to Kenya 2009-2010.*

REMINDERS

N.B. President Elect and Board for 2011-2012 NOW URGENT.

The AGM is set for December 6th Please think about nominating the board for 2011-2012 as this matter needs to be settled very soon and positions required are as follows:

President 2011-2012	
President Elect 2012-2013	
Secretary	
Treasurer	
Directors	Club Administration
	Membership
	Service Projects
	Foundation
	Youth New Generations
	Vice-President {Immediate Past President} Ian Durham.

DIARY:

22nd November Monday Guest Speaker Leslie Weston on her trip to China.

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

1st December World AIDS Day RFFA's Lunch Bag Project.

6th December 2010 Annual General Meeting.

11th December Annual Christmas Party.

29th January 2011 Coolamon Street Raffle.

23rd February 2011 Rotary's 106th Birthday.

7th Monday March 2011 Coolamon Rotary Club's 40th BIRTHDAY PARTY MEETING. N.B.!

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

1-3 April 2011 District 9700 Conference Orange

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

17th Sunday April Coolamon Community Day.

9th May Monday Monster Raffle Draw in Coolamon.

21-25 May 2011 Rotary International Convention in New Orleans

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

16th July Mountains of the Moon Summit.

ROSTERS:

Bingo Thursday December 9th: Ian Durham, Marg Perkin, John Glassford, Ian Jennings.

- Caravan Park 12th November Henk Hulsman and Rod Jarrett
- Caravan Park 19th November Rod Jarrett and Max Chapman
- Caravan Park 26th November Max Chapman and Mark Reardon

***** 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>