

COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.



February is World Understanding Month

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Bulletin for the 28th February 2011

Meeting 28th. February 2011

{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

Members Present: 9. Make-ups 3

Attendance 63%

In attendance were Ian Durham, Ray Foley, Leslie Weston, John Glassford, Grahame Miles, Marg Perkin, Ian Jennings, Garth Perkin, and Neil Munro.

Visiting Rotarian: John McKenny Rotary Club of Glen Innes.

Guest Speaker: Maureen Thorneycroft from Coolamon.

Guest Marilyn Jennings.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ian Durham welcomed our members and our guests.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Correspondence In:

Letter from Allens Coaches re Love Never Dies 2-3 July in Melbourne \$300 per person.

Letter from Clean Up Australia Day this Sunday March 7th

Invitation for a town meeting at the Shire Chambers March 16th re Medicare Local Hospital Networks.

Bulletins from: Temora, Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga Sunrise, Wagga Wagga Koorringal, Junee, Wollundry Wagga Wagga, Philomath Barker Oregon USA, RC Parkwood Gold Coast, RC Milford Auckland and D9350 Newsletter from South Africa.

Rotary on the Move Newsletter.

TREASURER'S REPORT

NIL

Cheque received from Coolamon Shire Council for cleaning the caravan park.

SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT Ray Foley Director

As usual Ray reminded those rostered re their duties. The full roster for Jan-June 2011 is attached for you to put on your fridge doors!

The tickets for the Monster Shopping Spree raffle are being distributed.

Ray has set the date for the Great Ski Weekend at Lake Hume for the weekend of March 10-20. There will be two ski boats going and staying at:

[Wymah Valley Holiday Park \(formerly - Great Aussie Resort\)](#)

Please get back to Ray if you want to go on this social trip.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION Marg Perkin Director

PE Marg Perkin reported on the PETS session at Young and was very impressed with DGE Ian Simpson. DGE Ian has some great ideas for membership which will be one of DGE Ian's top priorities in his year as District Governor. Marg also reminded her incoming board that May 1st will be D9700 assembly in Grenfell and requested all of her directors to attend.

Coolamon's 40th Birthday. Monday May 1st 2011. Marg will invite all the appropriate people from Coolamon who may want to celebrate this milestone with us. DG Neal Foggarty and Barbara have accepted our invitation to attend.

Historian John Winterbottom will be the guest speaker.

Marg requested that we should look for any old photos, newspaper cuttings and other memorabilia for the night. There will be a birthday cake and other surprises.

Monday 14th March guest speaker John Byrne from Coolamon Central School who will be talking on the \$6 million Building Education Revolution funds for the Coolamon Central School.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- Clean Up Australia Day Sunday March 7th Ian Jennings will be there and everyone is invited to join Ian at 10am in Rotary Peace Park/Lions Park. Bring gloves and your Rotary shirt.
- Grahame Miles looking for a Rotarian to be present when the visiting GSE team from the Philippines visits the Coolamon Up-to-Date Store on Friday 11th March. Please contact Grahame for times.
- John Glassford spoke about the key note speakers for the District 9700 Conference.
- Grahame Miles volunteered to do the advertising for the Community Day which includes working together with the showground markets and getting sponsors for the Monster Shopping Spree Raffle. Any help from other members will be very much appreciated, please contact Grahame.
- Ian Durham advised the meeting that the 2011 bowel scan kits will be available from the Coolamon Chemist and there will be 20 kits there.

GUEST SPEAKER MAUREEN THORNEYCROFT

Maureen started a business in Coolamon in April 2007 and closed down on the 8th January 2011. Maureen gave the meeting an informative and sometimes controversial account of doing business in a small town like Coolamon.

Maureen has done a lot in a short time including being treasurer of the football club, run a fencing business for her husband, run the florist shop, worked on a school bus run and was in home care for 10 years. Maureen is still bus driving and looking after her grand children.

Maureen's daughter was a Rotary Youth Exchange student and stayed in Washington DC for 12 months with 5 host families and has kept contact with 3 of the families. Her daughter loved the experience that Rotary provided her.

Grahame Miles proposed a vote of thanks to Maureen for her talk.

New Zealand Rotarians Responding to Christchurch Earthquake.



<http://flipflashpages.uniflip.com/2/26587/49598/pub/>

Rotarians will have seen the news that the beautiful city of Christchurch, New Zealand, was devastated by a shallow, magnitude 6.3 earthquake, on 22 February. Many buildings in the central business district in particular were destroyed and many others are unsafe and will have to be demolished. The death toll currently stands at 154, but is expected to rise to at least 240, with thousands injured.

The spire of Christchurch Cathedral toppled over, and brick rubble and the bells in the bell tower crashed down inside, killing at least 20 people. Probably about 100 overseas English Language students have been killed in the collapse of one building. Thousands of houses are still without telephone, electricity, water, sewage etc., and many roads and properties are covered with a deep layer of foul smelling mud & sand as a result of liquefaction of the ground.

Rescue and Recovery teams from all over the world are currently in Christchurch, securing the business district, and checking for possible survivors and bodies. The city will be rebuilt at a cost of billions of dollars, but it will be a struggle for our Government and for our population of only around 4 million.

Although Rotarians in District 9970 are organizing to assist in every possible way, Shelter Boxes and Emergency Boxes are being distributed, and the District is seeking donations from all sources to help families whose properties are structurally damaged. If you are able to assist in any way, please visit the website for information on monetary donations :

<http://www.rotarysouthpacific.org/information.cfm?ID=1961>

If you wish to keep updated about Christchurch, there are many news sources on the internet, but you could visit the New Zealand Herald website:

<http://www.nzherald.co.nz>

Yours in Rotary,

John Cooper
PP, PHF
RC of Nelson West D9970, Nelson New Zealand

Also here is a Rotary Club of Christchurch Garden City Rotary's web site:

<http://www.gardencityrotary.org.nz>

District 9700 Conference – Keynote Speakers

District Governor Neal Foggarty has lined up a great team of speakers for Orange April 1-3,

David Copley

Addressing Aboriginal Health Issues

David is Aboriginal man descendent from the Kaurna people of the Adelaide Plains. He has family connections to the Permangk people of the Adelaide Hills and is recognised as a Kaurna Elder.

In 2007 David became the third male Aboriginal Registered Nurse in South Australia and followed this in December 2008 by becoming the first male Aboriginal Registered Nurse in South Australia to complete a Post Graduate Diploma in Mental Health Nursing.

He currently works for the Cancer Council of South Australia in their QuitSA Division, with a focus on the high rate of tobacco use amongst Aboriginal people and the causation behind this high usage.

In 2009 David was nominated for the HESTA National Nursing Awards. David became one of 3 finalists from over 700 Australian entrants to journey to Melbourne for the presentations.

David is currently in the final year of his Masters of Nursing - Research.

Ilyasi Siraji

How Far I've Come

Ilyasi was born in war torn Democratic Republic of Congo, formerly known as Zaire. Ilyasi's mother passed away and his father went missing in the Congolese conflict. At a very young age Ilyasi was responsible for caring for his siblings. In desperation he and his siblings fled to Uganda and were reunited with one of his sisters.

He and his siblings stayed in a refugee camp but there was no proper food, no clean water and no future for them so they moved to Kampala, the capital city of Uganda. He slept on cardboard while working in Kampala as a petrol pump attendant.

Ilyasi was granted a Humanitarian Visa and came to Australia as a refugee in 2007, when he was aged 19. It was a cultural shock arriving in Adelaide and the first months were very hard on his family. He attended a Senior College to improve his English and then went on to further his studies.

John T. Blount Rotary International Director - 2009-2011

Opportunities to Make a Difference

John Blount is a Director of Rotary International for 2009 to 2011 and is Chairman of the Executive Committee for the RI Board of Directors. He also serves on the Board's Administrative Committee, the Rotarian Action Group Committee and as a resource to the Strategic Planning Committee. John has previously served on several world organization committees for Rotary, many that deal with Rotary's future, including "New Models of Rotary Clubs", three RI President nominating committees.

John joined the Rotary Club of Sebastopol, California at age 27, was President at age 32, and was the youngest Governor of District 513 at age 40. RID John is an extremely high-energy speaker who is in great demand at Rotary events. He brings an interesting and unique perspective of our organization as well as a long history of training leaders in business, Rotary Clubs, and Rotary International.

Dr. Blount is a dentist, in private practice in Sebastopol, California, but his background as a musical performer, coupled with a history of multi-media production, guarantee a delightful experience for those who enjoy hearing about Rotary and what it accomplishes.

OTHER KEY NOTE SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

Liz Wall Social and Environmental Issues *Around Mining in Developing Countries.*

Ben Smith Coal - the Black Gold Revolution

Also: PDG Cathy Roth, will be Rotary International President's Special Representative to the D9700 conference. Cathy comes from D9780 and lives in Geelong.

ROSTERS:

Bingo Thurs. March 10th: Leslie Weston*, Ian Durham, Paul Weston*, Marg Perkin.

*Leslie and Paul are looking to swap with others please help them out.

- Caravan Park 4th March 2011 Garth Perkin and Grahame Miles
- Caravan Park 11th March 2011 Grahame Miles and Neil Munro
- Caravan Park 18th March 2011 Neil Munro and Henk Hulsman

DIARY:

7th March 2011 Board Meeting all directors are requested to attend.

14th March Guest Speaker John Byrne Coolamon Central School Partners' Night.

28th March Monday Paul Weston guest speaker on digital photography.

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.

1st May Sunday District 9700 Assembly in Grenfell, all incoming directors should attend.

2nd May Monday 2011 Coolamon's 40th BIRTHDAY with John Winterbottom.

30th 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 Coolamon Street Raffle

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

1st December 2011 Mountains of the Moon Summit.

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

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>

NOTE BENE:

If you are able to please send your contributions to the editor for stories photographs and anything else that you want to see reflected in our weekly bulletin.

There are also many different stories published weekly on our club web site, where you can also view the weekly bulletin and the rosters. The web site is a very valuable tool in communication so please use it.

ROSTERS: CARAVAN PARK AND BINGO JANUARY-JUNE 2011

1. CARAVAN PARK ROSTER TO JUNE 2011

MONTH	DATE	NAME	NAME
JANUARY	7th	Ray Foley	Garth Perkin
	14th	Ian Jennings	Ray Foley
	21st	Craig Corrigan	Ian Jennings
	28th	Mark Reardon	Craig Corrigan
FEBRUARY	4th	Paul Weston	Mark Reardon
	11th	Leslie Weston	Paul Weston
	18th	Dick Jennings	Leslie Weston
	25th	Garth Perkin	Dick Jennings
MARCH	4th	Grahame Miles	Garth Perkin
	11th	Neil Munro	Grahame Miles
	18th	Henk Hulsman	Neil Munro
	25th	Max Chapman	Henk Hulsman
APRIL	1st	Ian Durham	Max Chapman
	8th	Rod Jarrett	Ian Durham
	15th	John Glassford	Rod Jarrett
	22nd	Ray Foley	John Glassford
	29th	Ian Jennings	Ray Foley
MAY	1st	Craig Corrigan	Ian Jennings
	6th	Mark Reardon	Craig Corrigan
	13th	Paul Weston	Mark Reardon
	20th	Leslie Weston	Paul Weston
	27th	Dick Jennings	Leslie Weston
JUNE	3rd	Garth Perkin	Dick Jennings
	10th	Grahame Miles	Garth Perkin
	17th	Neil Munro	Grahame Miles
	24th	Henk Hulsman	Neil Munro

2. BINGO ROSTER TO JUNE 2011

FEBRUARY	Thursday 10th February	Craig Corrigan Grahame Miles	Henk Hulsman Ray Foley
MARCH	Thursday 10th March	Leslie Weston Paul Weston	Ian Durham Marg Perkin
APRIL	Thursday 14th April	Max Chapman Dick Jennings	John Glassford Mark Reardon
MAY	Thursday 12th May	Rod Jarrett Ray Foley	Neil Munro Grahame Miles
JUNE	Thursday 9th June	Ian Jennings Marg Perkin	Craig Corrigan Ian Durham