COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INC.



March is Literacy Month

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Bulletin # 33 for the Meeting March 21st 2011

{This bulletin prepared by John Glassford.}

Members Present: 11. Make-ups 2

Attendance 68%

In attendance were Ian Durham, John Glassford, Grahame Miles, Ian Jennings, Henk Hulsman, Max Chapman, Ray Foley, Paul Weston, Leslie Weston, Dick Jennings and Garth Perkin.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Ian Durham welcomed our members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Correspondence In:

Letter from CWA Ardlethan Branch asking for support for their family day on Sunday April 17th. Email form DG Neal re ShelterBox and Japan's earthquake and tsunami appeal.

Email re support needed for RYLA at Parkes.

Bulletins from: Temora, Wagga Wagga, Wagga Wagga Sunrise, Wagga Wagga Kooringal, Junee, Wollundry Wagga Wagga, Hout Bay Rotary South Africa and Milford Auckland New Zealand.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Henk Hulsman asked for all six monthly fees to be paid up.

SERVICE PROJECTS REPORT Ray Foley Director

Ray reported on the ski weekend at Lake Hume which was most enjoyable for all who attended.

Also Ray read out the rosters for the coming week.

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was a lot of general business:

- 1. Ian Jennings recommended that we consider donations to polio plus this year.
- 2. Max Chapman reported on the phone book which now has 116 adverts committed and all in all Max feels that we will generate a gross income of around \$26,000. This will probably result in a net gain of \$15,000.
- 3. Grahame Miles spoke about CHAS closing down and looking for a local organisation to take over the newsletter with its advertising revenue.
- 4. Grahame Miles also spoke on the feedback that he has received regarding the Community Day. Grahame said that some people in Coolamon felt that we need to do more for the community day for as it stands it is only the markets that we are working on in conjunction with the Up-to-Date Store. Much discussion on what else we could do including a bowls tournament. Ideas very welcome.
- 5. Leslie Weston brought up an Easter egg idea for the children and all present felt that this was a good idea to be pursued in the future.
- 6. Grahame Miles recommended that the club supports the Japanese earthquake appeal with 5 ShelterBoxes. Again much discussion on this proposal by Grahame and the board will make a decision.
- 7. DISCON (District Conference) Ian Durham informed the meeting that we have 4 Rotarians plus their partners going to Orange from April 1-3 for the conference and Ian asked everyone present to consider attending Orange.
- 8. Ray Foley advised the meeting that his last meeting will be on Monday April 11th.
- 9. Ian Durham asked all present to take a look at the latest dinner badge. All present had no objections to the better brighter badge and John will get them made by Gecko this week.
- 10. Community Day the Coolamon men's Shed will operate our caravan on the day.
- 11. Leslie Weston spoke about doing fun things for the children of our town and to get visibility for Rotary with the youth of our area. This way we get their parents involved as well and we should plan 12 months ahead.
- 12. Ian Durham presented a work sheet prepared by John Glassford on looking at the future for our club and what projects we should get involved with and what projects we should drop in the future.
- 13. The meeting discussed holding a future vision planning meeting for all members on a Saturday afternoon with take away pizzas. Several venues were discussed.
- 14. Ian reminded everyone that Paul Weston will be our guest speaker next Monday night and it is a partners' night so please come along with your partner and get to know Paul and Leslie Weston.
- 15. Millie Butt our exchange student will be talking to the club on Monday 11th April which will be a partners' night. Millie spent 12 months in Belgium as our Youth Exchange Student last year.
- 16. Ian told some jokes and the raffle was won by Max and we closed at 9.15pm.



Millie Butt handing over our club banner to the Rotary Club of Liege in Belgium

Rotary clubs have water projects on tap

WORLD WATER DAY MARCH 22nd 2011

The International H2O Collaboration is an example of Rotary's dedication to water and sanitation issues, an area of focus under The Rotary Foundation's Future Vision Plan. Billions of people lack access to safe drinking water and proper sanitation. To draw attention to the need for action, the United Nations has designated 22 March as World Water Day. Each year since 1993, it has selected a different theme. This year focuses on the impact of rapid urban growth and the challenges of urban water management.



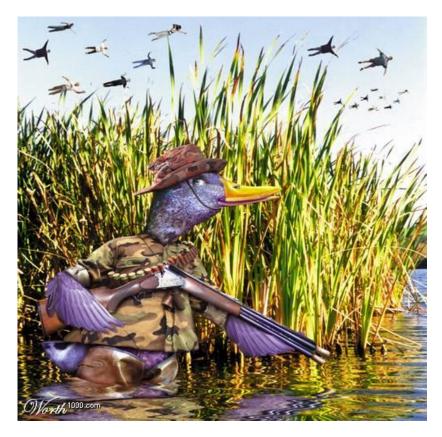
A child drinks clean water from a spigot in Haiti. A US\$64,566 contribution from the Haiti Earthquake Relief Fund is supporting a project of the Rotary Club of Mirebalais, Centre, to construct 80 rainwater collection tanks, each with a 2,500-gallon capacity. Rotary Images/Alyce Henson



Children line up for water in Haiti. Rotary Images/Alyce Henson



A teacher helps a kindergarten student wash her hands as part of the Better Health through Better Hygiene project in Pilar, Argentina, sponsored by the Rotary clubs of Pilar Norte and Griffin, Georgia, USA. Rotary Images/Alyce Henson



Duck Hunting Season starts in Victoria here's one for the ducks!

A duck walks into a pub and orders a pint of lager and a ham sandwich. The landlord looks at him and says, "But you're a duck!" Your eyes work", replies the duck, wryly. "And you talk!" exclaims the landlord. "And your ears work", says the duck, "now can I have my beer and my sandwich please?"

"Certainly", says the landlord, "sorry about that... it's just we don't get many ducks in this pub. What are you doing round this way?" "I'm working on the building site across the road", explains the duck. The landlord watches, astounded, as the duck drinks his beer, eats his sandwich and leaves. The duck visits regularly for 2 weeks. Then one day the circus comes to town.

The owner of the circus comes into the pub and the landlord says to him, "You're with the circus aren't you? I know this duck that would be just brilliant in your circus - he talks, drinks beer and everything!". "Sounds marvelous", says the owner, "get him to give me a call". So the next day when the duck comes into the pub the landlord says,

"Hey Mr. Duck, I reckon I can line you up with a top job, paying really good money!" "Yeah?" says the duck, "Sounds great, where is it?" "At the circus", says the landlord. "The circus?" the duck enquires, a bit bemused.

"That's right", replies the landlord.

"What, the place with the big tent? Big canvas roof, hole in the middle, loads of animals?" asks the duck.

"That's right!" says the landlord.

The duck looks confused. "Why would they want a plasterer?"

If you can keep your head when all about you others are losing theirs, maybe you just don't understand the situation.

And

May you live forever, and may the last voice you hear be mine.

ROSTERS:

1. Bingo

Thurs. April 14th: John Glassford, Dick Jennings, Max Chapman, Mark Reardon.

- 2. Caravan Park Cleaning
- Caravan Park 25th March 2011 Henk Hulsman and Max Chapman
- Caravan Park 1st April 2011 Max Chapman and Ian Durham
- Caravan Park 8th April 2011 Ian Durham and Rod Jarrett

DIARY:

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

1-3 April 2011 District 9700 Conference Orange

4th April Monday Board Meeting

11th April Monday Millie Butt Our Youth Exchange Student to Belgium. Partners Night.

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

17th Sunday April Coolamon Community Day.

1^{st.} 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

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

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