COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB

“GET TO KNOW YOUR MEMBER” QUIZ 2025

1. Where was home when you were growing up?

“Homewood” in Mimosa, which is 30km from Coolamon and 30km from Temora

1. What was your favourite TV show growing up?

When I was a little “Play School”

1. Since school what jobs or career have you had?

* I work for NRCC as a District Electrical Mechanic, then I move on to being the Regional General Manager looking after Water / Gas / and Electricity infrastructure (4,700 employees)
* I then moved into Planning looking after the areas from the Coast to Broken Hill.
* I was promoted to Planning and Customer Connection Manager looking after the areas from Coast to Broken Hill.
* I also was the Manager for ENMAG who did all the Network Modelling and Analysis for 95% of NSW, I still build Engineering Tools for Essential Energy
* I also set up a business call “Electrical Design Solutions” we do level 3 ASP work plus consultancy work in every state of Australia

1. Large Solar Farms / Battery
2. Wind Turbine
3. Co-generation sites
4. HV connection sites etc.
5. Who is your favourite actor or actress?

Yoda (Star Wars Movie)

1. What is your favourite movie?

Star Wars Movie

1. What is your favourite sport or team and who is your sporting hero?

I Played rugby league for Coolamon from 21 years old through 34 years old. (23years)

If you could holiday anywhere, where would it be?

1. Sharon and I have been to Europe, America, Vietmam, Cambodia plus
2. We took our kids up to the Cape visiting many towns and cities on the way (4 Months trip)
3. We recently did four-and-a-half-month trip working our way up to Darwin through to Brome and down to Perth and to Adelade and back home (23,000kM)
4. We are hoping to go to the Canada and Alaska soon 😊
5. What is something about you that others may not be aware of?
6. Electrician / Electrical inspector
7. Linesman / Cable Joiner
8. Senor Electrical Engineer.
9. EDS have 14 electrical engineers, all have Master’s Degrees and 2 have Doctorate Degrees
10. What big project or issue (either local, national or global) would you like Rotary to undertake or address?

I would like to ensure that Rotary engages in making Coolamon a special place where people want to live.

1. If you could have dinner with anyone, dead or alive, who would it be and why?

My Dad who passed away approximately 2 years ago

1. What do you see as the greatest need for Coolamon?

Understanding if the 66kV line goes Off or has issues “No Renewable Energy Will Work”, we need synchronous generators to allow renewables to work.

1. If you were Prime Minister for a day, what would be your “Captain’s call” big decision?

We need synchronous generators to allow renewables to work

Note Adelaide and Broken Hill when the main transmission lines went down no Renewable / Batteries or Wind Turbines worked.

This has happened in every state of Australia.

When the Coal Generators shut down, we need Gas to replace them.

We need this to happen ASAP because no renewable will work without synchronous generators.