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Zoe Downing – Rebound Exchange Student

It is obvious that twelve months in Italy can change a teenage girl into a mature young lady and rebound exchange student Zoe Downing is proof of that.

Zoe spent one year in Cremona, a city in the north of Italy, and was hosted by the Rotary Club of Cremona-Po.



Cremona is a city in northern Italy, situated in Lombardy, on the left bank of the Po River, the longest in Italy. It is the capital of the province of Cremona and the seat of the local city and province governments. The city of Cremona is especially noted for its musical history and traditions.



In a city of 65,000 people, one-hour south of Milan, Zoe attended a business school which was much different to her schooling here at Corowa. With 700 students attending the school and classes of 28 students, she studied English, Italian, geography, history, business studies, law and computing. None of the science and mathematical courses that she had previously studied.

There were three host families for Zoe to stay with, the first family had four children, triplets aged nineteen and a fifteen year old. They wanted to learn English, so this didn't prove much of a help with Zoe learning Italian.



The second family had three children aged 24, 22 and 17 and lived in a small town of 6000 people situated 15 minutes from Cremona. Here Zoe had to take the train to school each day.

This family had no English and so the need to learn Italian was paramount. Zoe not only learnt Italian with them but also their dialect. During the summer holidays she travelled with them to Tuscany and Verona, visiting the leaning tower of Pisa amongst other exciting places

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Zoe's third and final family, whom she stayed with from September until January, had two children Andrea, 19, and Claudia. Zoe was the eighth exchange student that they have hosted over the years.

It was with this family that Zoe was able to partake one of the D's, of course under the strict guidance of her host father and in the wide open paddocks.

For a sporting activity and to try and combat the excess of carbs in the Italian diet, Zoe played a type of basketball with a group of disabled students.



Then of course there was the highlight of every exchange student's time away. For those going to Europe it is the Euro-Tour. Visiting Milan, Lyon, Paris, Munich, Prague and Venice.



There were many other highlights for Zoe, a visit from her uncle, who is a Rotarian in the USA, two weeks spent with Susi (our former exchange student) and of course a white Christmas with snow.

Winners are Grinners



After her talk had concluded, Zoe was able to assist us with our "Chook Lotto". After much direction by the Chairman of the night, Graeme, Maureen was the winner of Meredith's President's Muscat and Howard unfortunately could only draw the 10 of Spades when he "Cut the Cards".



Save The Date

- **July 25** – Exchange Student Emma Jepsen arrives, 5pm at Tullamarine.
- **August 4** – DG's Visit
- **August 7** - Federation Market
- **August 27 & 28** – Youth Exchange Weekend

Race Gates

We don't have any Race Gates to do now until the Melbourne Cup. Although over the last two weekends we have had to man the horse gate for the Corowa Race Club.

The first was Saturday July 9, for a TAB meeting and the second was Sunday July 17, as the Narrandera race track was washed out and transferred to Corowa.

Maureen and Neil happily volunteered to man the gates each day, although it appears the weather was not so good on the Saturday.

All for the love of Rotary!



Rotary Leadership Institute

The next Part 1 RLI training session is on Sunday, 7th August 2016. As with all previous RLI sessions the venue is Euroa Secondary College which is located on the corner of Main Road and Campbell Street. Starting time is 9:00am and the session should finish by 1:30pm. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Meredith will endeavour to enrol Maureen, Norman and David P. into the next sessions. Enrolments close July 22nd.

On the day they will be provided with a folder, handout information but will need to bring their own pen and note paper.

The dates scheduled for the course are as follows-

- 7th August – Parts 1 & 3
- 25th September – Parts 1 & 2
- 4th December – Parts 2 & 3
- 19th February – Parts 1 & 3
- 2nd April – Parts 1 & 2
- 4th June – Parts 2 & 3



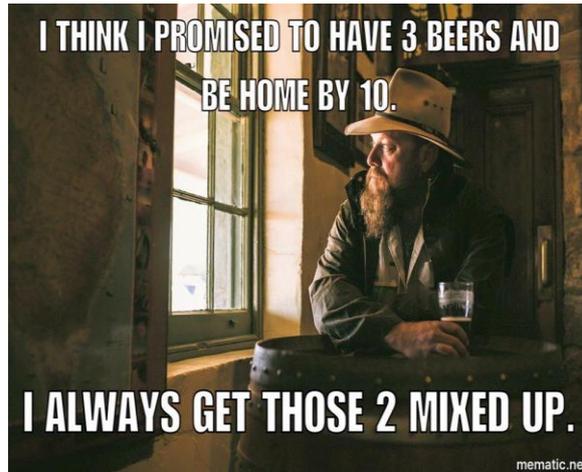
Quote of the Week

Someone take Mr Wilson's batteries out please!!!



It's OK Al, you can put them back in when Ray has finished the fine session.

Ribticklers



An air traffic control tower suddenly lost communication with a small twin engine aircraft. A moment later the tower land line rang and was answered by one of the controllers. The terrified passenger riding with the pilot who lost communications was on a cellular phone and yelled:

"Mayday, Mayday!!.... My pilot had an instant and fatal heart attack. I grabbed his cell phone out of his pocket and he had told me before we took off he had the tower on his speed dial memory. I am flying upside down at 18,000 feet and traveling at 180 mph.

The controller in the tower had put him on speaker phone immediately. "Calm down, we acknowledge you and we'll guide you down after a few questions. The first thing is not to panic, just remain calm!!".

He began his series of questions:

Tower: "How do you know you are traveling at 18,000 feet??"

Aircraft: "I can see that it reads 18,000 feet on the Altimeter in front of me."

Tower: "Okay, that's good, remain calm. How do you know you're traveling at 180 mph??"

Aircraft: "I can see that it reads 180 mph on the Airspeed indicator in front of me."

Tower: Okay, this is great so far, but it's heavily overcast, so how do you know you're flying upside down??"

Aircraft: "The MESS in my pants is running down the back of my neck"!!!!:)



A family who took their frail, elderly mother to a nursing home, and left her, hoping she would be well cared for.

The next morning, the nurses bathed her, fed her a tasty breakfast, and set her in a chair at a window overlooking a lovely flower garden.

She seemed okay, but after a while she slowly started to tilt sideways in her chair.

Two attentive nurses immediately rushed up to catch her and straighten her up.

Again she seemed okay, but after a while she slowly started to tilt over to her other side.

The nurses rushed back and once more brought her back upright. This went on all morning.

Later, the family arrived to see how the old mum was adjusting to her new home.

"So Mother, how is it here? Are they treating you all right?"

"It's pretty nice," she replied. "Except they won't let me pass wind."

Facebook Post from the Rotary Club of Nice

A night of carnage and painful awakening this morning on Nice... We are all concerned for the safety of our loved ones, our friends, our knowledge, citizen's niceties, French and the world.

At this very moment I can only associate myself to prayers to accompany those who have not had the chance to escape the murderous insanity, sending best wishes for a speedy recovery to the injured and we can only hope that no member of the Nice club in particular has been touched by this tragedy.

The Rotary Club of Nice is going to get closer to the authorities to see if we can provide assistance, whatever it is.

Thoughts and friendships for you all,

Manuel Mayer, President of the Rotary Club of Nice

"the strength of a team, it is to be in synergy in the service of the other"

As the Editor of this publication, my wish is for peace throughout the world.



Apologies

Please remember to notify the Sergeant at Arms, Ray Terrill if you can't attend our weekly meetings.

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Programs

Meeting	July 28	August 4	August 11
Venue	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL	Corowa RSL
Program	Clarece Giersch Fred Taylor Scholarship	DG's Visit Tony Bramley & Pamela	Committees
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Please arrange your own replacement if you are unable to fulfill your roster duty.

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Email orders to admin@corowarotary.org.au

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Delivery Address: _____

City Town: _____

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Contact Number: _____

Special Delivery Instructions: _____

	Price	Qty	Total
Fortified Wine Pack	\$60.00		
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Total			

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