

# TULIP TIMES



Next Meetings	Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May, 2018	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> May, 2018
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Program	Fortnightly meeting discussion	Aboriginal Community
Speaker	David McCosh	Melissa Wiyu
Intro / Vote of Thanks		
Dinner Fee Duty	Graham Hicks	Vicki Kelley
Journalist	Ray Williams	
Regalia Duty	John Hoelle	Ian Johnson
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## Welcome

President David welcomed;  
Partners – Alison Lendrum, Owen Webb  
Rotarians – Sandra Adams, Ian Cropper  
Guests – Paula Tutt, Slavica Zivkovic, Roz Benton, Geoff Price, and Bill & Donna Lockley.

**Invocation** – Brian Elliott

**International Toast** – Gwenda Webb

The Rotary Club of Ushuaia is in District 4930 which also covers southern Argentina and part of Buenos Aires and has 44 Clubs with only 718 members.

The Club was Chartered in 1987, has 17 Members and its President is Maria Culotta.

The Club is the third most southern Rotary Club in the world - there are two in Antarctica at Spanish speaking stations.

USHUAIA is the southernmost city in world and is the capital of Tierra del Fuego Province, Argentina.

The city was founded in 1884 by Captain Augusto Lasserre of the Argentinian Navy and is located on the shores of the Beagle Channel surrounded by the mountain range of the Martial Glacier, in the Bay of Ushuaia. Besides being an administrative centre, it is a light industrial port and tourist hub.

In addition to being a vacation destination for local and international tourists, Ushuaia is also the key access point to the Southern Ocean. Its commercial pier is the major port of departure in the world for tourist and scientific expeditions to the Antarctic Peninsula.

Cruise ships visiting the Falkland Islands and Antarctica dock at the port from September to April. Tourists can also visit Cape Horn in Chilean waters by boat.



## Announcements

**Tony Glenn**- update on Gerry

**Ian Langford** - Science & Engineering Challenge, still seeking volunteers for the 28th & 29th May. This year the High school students will be on day 1 with the Primary students on day 2.

Tulip Time launch - Council planted the first tulip today. Looking for a Roster coordinator.

**Ray Coulton** - Saturday's BBQ & lemonade stand. Seeking 2 more volunteers to help on Saturday morning.

**Mary Ramsay** – Trivia Night is on 16th June. MC is Dave Thomas. Seeking 2 markers, and runners. At the meeting on 29th May will issue flyers for letterbox drop.

**Will Eddowes** - Pride of Workmanship 5th June - Carers in Nursing Homes is the focus this year. Have commenced receiving nominations. Roz Benton has been great support.

**Don Graham** - MUNA 12th May WSC Council Chambers. Gwenda has arranged catering, may need some assistance. Ian L is official photographer and Treasurer.

Thank you to Robbie A, David R and Ray C for their support of youth programs.

### Guest Speaker – Gwenda Webb

An amazing adventure, a humbling and powerful site. Here were 120 passengers on the vessel. Spanned a 2 week trip from the southern tip of Argentina to the Antarctica peninsula. Experienced 18m swells so everything, except passengers are chained to the floor.

Gwenda was in a zodiac when they sighted whales.

There is great emphasis on hygiene to prevent contamination of the coastline of Antarctica. Temp ranged from -5 to 5oC. Winter gets to -80oC.

The penguins sulk when moulting. On the trip Gwenda saw many and many icebergs. Visited 3 bases, Chile, Argentina and the Ukraine. There are only a limited number of ship's captains that are authorised to navigate the Sir Francis Drake Channel.

Gwenda's captain was on duty for 2 month's straight. Drake Passage with 18m swells was a challenge.

Joker Draw - Guest Paula had the winning ticket

Next meeting - Decision on fortnightly meetings, as well as annual donations.

