



# ***Tulip Times***

**The Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong  
District 9710 - Chartered 26 March 1940**

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**Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30**

**Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway  
Mittagong NSW 2575**

<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>		
<b>Guests</b>		
<b>Next meetings....</b>	<b>Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June,</b>	<b>Tuesday 20<sup>h</sup> June, 2017</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Highlands Golf Club</b>	<b>Highlands Golf Club</b>
<b>Program</b>	<b>From Somalia to Cooma</b>	<b>Youth Exchange</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Daud Mohammed</b>	<b>Rens Traets</b>
<b>Intro/Vote of Thanks</b>	<b>Rob Uhl</b>	<b>Rob Uhl / David Rees</b>
<b>Dinner Fees</b>	<b>David McCosh</b>	<b>Michael Lendrum</b>
<b>Journalist</b>		
<b>Regalia</b>	<b>Louie Liberale</b>	<b>Gerry Kroon</b>

## Welcome – Trevor Fair

Frank Williams, Guest speaker  
John Chapman, potential member  
Vickie Kelley, potential member

Thank you to Jim Harrison & Jo Chalmers especially for last week's very special awards night.

## International Toast - Rob Uhl

On 6th June, 1523 the election of King Gusta Vasa marked the foundation of modern **Sweden** and the end of Danish rule.

Today 10 million Swedes will be celebrating their **National Independence Day**.

Sweden is a parliamentary constitutional monarchy under the rule of King Carl Gustav the 18th who is best known to the world as he awards Nobel Prizes each year.

In the middle of Sweden between Stockholm and Oslo is the Varmland area of lakes and the small town of **Sunne**, population 5 000. It is the home of the **Rotary Club of Sunne** which is in Rotary District 2340 and was Chartered in 1963.

It has 27 Members and is led by **President Bo Thulin**, a good Viking name.

The Club is involved with other Clubs from District 2340 in an ongoing Project providing funding and equipment for schools in Kenya.



## Announcements

Louie Liberale- A big thank you for those who assisted the annual Golf Day last Sunday. Planning to present a cheque for \$8k to the CMRI next week.

Ian Langford - The Pie celebration is happening in Corbett Gardens on the weekend of 24-25 June. Looking for people to assist with the gates using the iPads. Please see Ian if you can assist.

Changeover- Please advise Trevor to me. Money to Ian Langford, either cash or EFT. Fitzroy Inn @ \$45 pp.

## Guest Speaker - Frank Williams



General Manager of Mt Boughton Golf Club . As a lad earned 15 shillings per round as a caddy in England

Artesians who lived within 5 miles of the course could join at a discount joining fee.

Caddied for some celebrities - earned 50 pounds in one weekend.

Came to Australia as a 10 pound tourist. One of the best decisions for himself and family.

Joined Spring Valley GC - Ian Stanley and David Ingliss wanted to start a golf tournament called the Australian Masters.

Frank was working at Electrolux which sponsored the first tournament for \$25k. First year was a disaster with big losses. Frank decided to kick in the losses and acquire half share.

With all his skills lost \$200k next year. Greg Norman was visible with promotions etc and helped make it a success.

Ron Casey, Melbourne Channel 7 agreed to 24 hrs coverage on TV. Allowed Frank etc to recoup losses.

IMG – approached the owners and offered to buy the tournament while making Frank the GM,

1993 Greg Norman approached Frank to work in the USA. A big carrot was dangled.

Frank agreed to move to USA. Business is easier in USA, different lifestyle, less due diligence as well as flying in Greg Norman's private plane.

One fault was that he liked playing practical jokes, especially on Frank.

## Joker Draw

Rose Conley drew the Ace of Spades. As there are now only 4 cards left the time is ready to buy up big.