



Report for Aug 10, 2021; Volume 83, No: 6 Rotary Club
of Bowral-Mittagong
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Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta's theme for 2021-22,

Serve to change lives,

is urging members to become more involved in service projects, saying that caring for and serving other is the best way to live because it changes not only other people's lives, but also our own.

Future Events

- 17 Aug Dr Subhasis Talapatra (Referred by Brian Ritson) - Skin Cancer & Prevention @ Hermitage
- 24 Aug Tina McPherson (Referred by Brian Pattinson) - ODI Record 2nd Best Bowling Figures @ Hermitage
- 31 Aug Wendy Lotter – Aboriginal Education & Walks (Referred by Will Eddowes/Brian Ritson /) @Hermitage 6pm
- 7 Sep Lucille Ellem - Dingo Sanctuary Bargo @ Hermitage
- 21 Sep Sharelle Quinn - Last Qantas 747 Kangaroo Flight @ Hermitage 6pm

Please Note: Apologise by Friday noon, attendance is the default position

Venue: The Hermitage

Journalist: Trevor Fair

Welcome: Welcome: Sergeant Lynton welcomed all and clarified the agenda. Welcome back Tony.

Invocation: Gwenda Webb

International Toast: Jo Chalmers

Today is the Independence Day of **Ecuador**. It is located on the Pacific coast of South America where the continent bulges to the west right on the equator with Peru to the south east and Colombia on its north west border.



It was the land of the Amerindians then the Incas when it was colonised by the Spanish from 1532. Resistance to Spanish rule grew among the descendants of Spanish immigrants over time until Ecuador declared its independence on 10th August, 1809. It took much resistance and battles across the northern states of South America until 1822 to finally achieve it as part of Gran Colombia and then another 10 years to separate and become independent Ecuador.

Ecuador is the Spanish word for the equator and the territory was named for its location right on the halfway line. It has a population of 17.7 million and its Capital is Quito.

A city located at the western extreme of mainland Ecuador is the port of **Salinas** with a population of 50 000.

It is served by the **Rotary Club of Salinas Spondylus** which was only Chartered in 2017 in District 4400 which covers the 69 Clubs in Ecuador. Meetings are conducted in English and Spanish.



Its 19 Members are led by **President Gladys Guerrero** and are busy with providing native tree saplings to schools for reforestation of degraded areas and in running English as a second language training.

The Club is currently seeking international partnering to establish a Rotary Room in a local school to support children with developmental and physical disabilities.

In honour of the Independence Day of Ecuador today would you please be upstanding and make our International Toast to the President and Members of the Rotary Club of Salinas Spondylus.



Welcome and Notices: President Will

Will welcomed all to the meeting and called for Announcements.

Welfare Report – Rose Conley

- Frank Kelly is still in hospital and is isolated unable to accept visitors
- Margaret Elder was scheduled to go to hospital in Sydney for a melanoma, however not able to attend.

Board Meeting – Will Eddowes

- Club has been offered to operate a BBQ in March 2022, Beyond Bitumen a Beyond Blue initiative.
- Adam de Totth is unable to attend tonight. Leigh is stepping in.
- Current numbers are not sustainable at the Hermitage. Need 25 attendees to ensure we can stay at this venue.
- Bowral HS interaction is unable to proceed
- Pop In Centre Grant has been slightly reduced. However the committee met at Mona Rd today with plans to now be developed.
- Tulip Time Committee is meeting on Thursday to determine the future of 2021 festival.***

*****POST MEETING:** At this stage the Council is still going ahead with Tulip Time (!!!) but we will know more once Ian and Mary have attended the meeting with the council next Wednesday. Another update after that meeting.

- Brian Ritson has been proactive with fundraising. Donations boxes are going to be circulated in the local shops.
- Leigh and committee are planning a celebration in November for a fundraising event for the Rotary Foundation.

Brian Ritson

- Rotary Shed Working Bee. Full day 6 people working bee. Please see Brian if you can help on 21st or 28th August.

Carolina - Don Graham message

- BlazeAid for Cobargo 10th - 27th August.
- Negative Covid test within 3 days of arrival (let them know you are an essential worker for BlazeAid to expedite your result). Bring a warm sleeping bag, work clothes, boots and a hat. All meals are provided except Friday (day off for all). Pub stocks most beverages. Please let Carolina / Don know by the end of tomorrow (Wed 11th Aug) who is going and when.

POST MEETING: We can confirm 4 volunteers will arrive Sunday 15th Aug & 2 on Friday 20th at Cobargo.

Denise - We need to know numbers for catering and guest speakers especially with volunteers away.

Lucky Plate Prize - Lynton was the winner of a shoe shine kit.

Birthday Lunch celebration this Thursday

12 noon Imperial Hotel.

Ray Coulton – 6th August

Michael Lendrum 25th August



Really good turn out @ The Imperial

Raffle: Paul Leota - Jackpot increases again

*****NOTE: There are only 29 more draws left, any of those could be the \$500! *****

Leigh Robinson – Deputising as Guest Speaker Presentation – From Pedestrian to Aeromobility

From Pedestrian to Aeromobility - in a previous life provided equipment to airports. There are many components that the flying public utilise however cannot see.

The ticket check-in, into the sterile zone including security & passport control. Passport is scanned, then 3D scanner full body scanning. Also the bags are scanned.

The lead time to checking in allows duty free to sell to passengers where the airport gets a cut.

The equipment installed at the aircraft bridge is installed with lasers that have the capability to identify the type of aircraft and then alerts the ground staff.

Intellidock system is an automatic system that receives information from the aircraft transponder and provides accurate settings to ensure the air bridges are correctly operated.

Leigh was a manufacturer agent for Australia.



Will thanked Leigh for his presentation.

Sergeant Session: Lynton Kettle

- Tony Glenn - for extended travelling
- Rod Aistrope - Census night
- David Rees - police fine.
- Will Eddowes - back on the bike
- Leigh Robinson - new runways being built
- Cross Fine - Will on Carolina for her editorial finesse.

Tony provided an insight into his trip to Mackay and Pinnacle where his grandparents grew sugar cane. Has not been there since he was 3 years old.

President Will then closed the Meeting.