



Report for Mar 1, 2022; Volume 83, No: 30 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

March 8 – International Women's Day Breakfast at Gibraltar Country Club, Bowral @7am

March 8 - Southern Highlands Winery - Pasta Night & Partners Night

March 25 – Beyond Blue Car Rally @ Bong Bong Racecourse

March 31 – Empire Cinema Premier of "The Duke"

Please Confirm by this Sunday evening for Winery Pasta Night

Venue: Samuel Gees Pies & Pastries, Mittagong

Journalist: Denise Coad



Sergeant Lynton: Welcomed Members, and thanked Des and Nerida for providing their “Establishment” for our Meeting.

Guests:

President of The Rotary Club of Rockdale, Vinod Reddy and his wife Lalli. He was also celebrating his Birthday.



Stephanie Robinson attended after coming from another committee meeting where she promoted “The Duke” film for us. Thank you Steph!

Bruce Sutton who is hoping to transfer his Membership from his Rotary Club in Fiji. We are also going to have him as a Guest Speaker to talk about Projects in his Suva Club.

Barbara Marvello who is hoping to become a



Member of our Club.

Brian Ritson: Took our Pie orders on arrival, and took charge of the Bar.

Welcome: President Will welcomed Members, Partners and Guests.

Invocation: Carolina Torregrosa

International Toast: Leigh Robinson

We have all seen the devastating effects of the extreme weather event taking place over Queensland and New South Wales over the past few days and which may well be repeated here tonight and tomorrow. The media reports of lives lost and lives saved, of brave and caring community members helping their neighbours and the extraordinary efforts of emergency service workers and Defence Force personnel have made it very real and clear. After severe drought, enormous bushfires, heavy rains and good crops followed by a mice plague then by a snake plague and now followed by this intense East Coast Low you would think that we have had our fair share of catastrophes.



Laid over that the pandemic and now Ukraine we all need a break. But tonight we have to turn our thoughts to the people affected by the flooding.



The District Governors in Australia have instigated a RAWCS project to accept donations into a Rotary National Flood Appeal. Its aim is to raise funding to provide financial assistance to flood victims in Queensland and Northern New South Wales.

So if you wish to make **a tax free donation** to the Flood Appeal you can find the web site at <http://directory.rawcs.com.au/47-2021-22> .

Right in the thick of one of the worst hit cities is the Rotary Club of Lismore which was Chartered in 1931 in District 9640. Its 14 Members are led by President Cheryl Hicks. They are sure to be fully engaged in helping their community to recover not to mention their own losses.



One of their recent projects, located well above the flood waters was completed last year. It was the renovation of a hill top community lookout with vistas over Lismore. The Club completed the original lookout in 1960.

With the wellbeing of all our fellow Australians affected by this latest test high in our thoughts would you please make this more local International Toast to the President and Members of the Rotary Club of Lismore.

President Will:

RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) has opened an appeal for the flood victims of Qld and Northern NSW.

Below as the hyperlink to RAWCS appeal page.

<https://directory.rawcs.com.au/47-2021-22>

Odessa, Ukraine for our International Toast. "What an honour it was for them to receive it".

President Will also read out part of a letter from a friend in Russia.

Ian Langford:

Report on The Southern Highlands Food and Wine Festival. We volunteered to work on Saturday and Sunday on short notice.

Busy on Saturday and Sunday mornings due to the weather. People leaving the Festival were very happy.

We raised \$1350 in Gold Coin Donations. Rose Conley raised \$634 in the Care Park Entry – she was congratulated and thanked for such a great effort. We will also receive \$1,500 from the Food and Wine Association for the Marquee Entry.

Ian thanked all Members who volunteered.

Brian Ritson:

We did not go ahead with the Dutch Pancakes at the Festival because of the weather. There was another Stall selling the same items, but they did not have a lot of Customers.

Brian thanked Ian for all his efforts, and all Members showed their appreciation.



Seems like Brian enjoys been around sweet things, here he is serving the beautiful apple pie on Tuesday night

Mary Ramsay:

Updated Members on the Movie Night "The Duke" on March 31.

Tickets are available on-line or at the Cinema. Mary has purchased a few tickets for Members if they are unable to go on-line etc.

The International Women's Day Breakfast next Tuesday is for Men and Women. At the moment they only have 56 Acceptances.

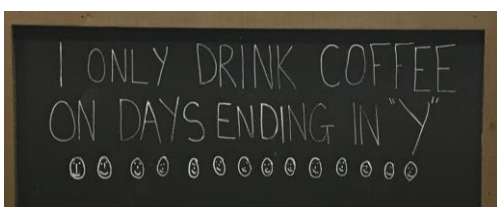
Brian Ritson:

The Beyond Blue – Bitumen Fundraiser - is on March 25. We will be catering for an estimated 200 people. Providing Breakfast – Bacon and Egg Rolls, Cereals, etc. Brian has also organized a Coffee Wagon.

Rod Aistrophe:

Update on the RAWCS Project in Cape York. He needs an "Expression of Interest" from Members. It will be in June/July, and he is **looking for 10 people**. Please email Rod.

ALL MEMBERS AGAIN THANKED NERIDA AND DES FOR HOSTING OUR CLUB. WE ALL ENJOYED A VARIETY OF PIES, AND APPLE PIE AND CREAM FOR DESSERT.



Ian Langford:

Update of David McCosh – very chirpy in Hospital so please give him a call.

Rose Conley:

Update on Ian Johnson – Rose took him for his last Chemotherapy treatment, which is great.

President Will:

It is good to see Michael Dealtry back to Club Meetings. He has had Covid 19 so it is good to have him back.

Denise Coad:

Our next Meeting on March 8 is at the Southern Highlands Winery, and it is a Partners Night. We have had many wonderful Meetings with Eddy Rossi hosting our Club, and Marco our Chef.

Please let Trevor know your attendance by Sunday evening for catering.

Lynton Kettle – Sargeants Session:

Ian Langford – short call to David McCosh

Mary Ramsay – for selling her House not a walking machine

Michael Dealtry – only Member with Covid19

Brian Ritson – BBQ Plates in footpath rubbish

Jim Gasson – not as good as taking trash out

Tony Glenn – had to leave 5 beers

Rose Conley – great effort collecting \$640

Trevor Fair – Creek to Peak – Mittagong to top of The Gib was stolen. It was his idea 5 years ago

Brian Ritson Cross Fine – for cleaning 2 sets of Golf Clubs for his Grandson

**Birthday Lunch March 18 – Pizza Bar –
Imperial Hotel, Bowral**

Tony Glenn 1/3

Luciano Liberale 22/3 (Special Birthday)



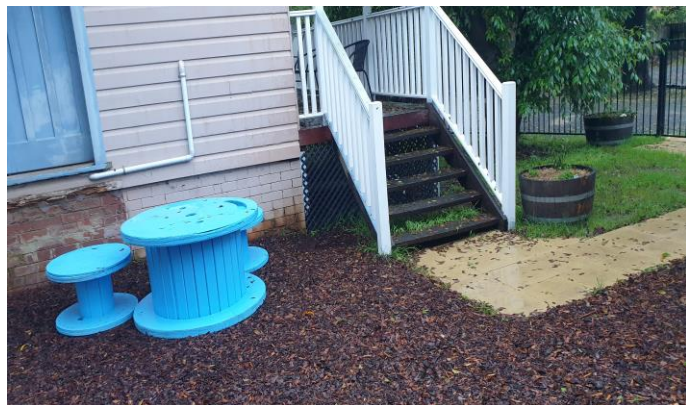
Raffle: Won by Will Eddowes and he also received the club flag from Vinod Reddy



Meeting Closed 8.00pm

Post Meeting Addition – Pop In Update

Here are a couple of photos of the Pop In kids playground. The painting of the cable reels and the planting of the barrels was done by Kate Fair (possibly with Trevor's help). – Photos and note Compliments of President Will



Cable reels beautifully painted as chairs and table set for the children



The boat and the planters finishing off the final touches needed in the playground

**See you all at Next week's
Venue – Southern
Highlands Winery-
Partners Night**