

## 25<sup>th</sup> September

**Recognition Night for Rotarians whom have made a significant contribution to our Club**

**Please bring a friend and / or partner to ensure the evening is a special one!**

Next Meetings	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 5:30 for 6:30 pm	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Sept 2018 5:30 for 6:30 pm
Location	Highland Golf Club	Highland Golf Club
Program	Member talks	Rotarian Recognition Night
Speaker	Don Graham / Trevor Fair	President Lynton at al
Intro / Vote of Thanks	President Elect Robert De Jongh	
Dinner Fee Duty	Gwenda Webb	Rod Aistroke
Journalist	Denise Coad	Trevor Fair
Regalia Duty	Ray Williams	Ken Adams

If you are unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Trevor Fair by email: [trevorf@oxleypartners.com.au](mailto:trevorf@oxleypartners.com.au)



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### TULIP TIME ROSTER

The Tulips Are Out – Please ensure the Roster is full.  
 See Mary R or Ian L if you can assist.



## Spring Activities in the Highlands

- Tulip Time 18 Sept – 1 Oct
- TT Street Parade – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2:30 pm
- Food & Wine – 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Home & Garden Show – 15 & 16 Sept
- Sevens Rugby – Eridge Pk 29<sup>th</sup> Sept

## Happy Hour

We are planning to meet at 5.30pm for a social get-together prior to Meetings. We are hoping the Golf Club will have a "Happy Hour" from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

## Welcome

President-Elect **Robert de Jongh** chaired the meeting in President Lynton's absence and **Jim Gasson** was Acting Sergeant. The Invocation was offered by **Brian Elliott**. Our guest was Bob Rheinberger, vet from Ironmines Vet Clinic.

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## International Toast – Ray Coulton

Macedonia was the kingdom from which Alexander the Great conquered a large part of Europe and Asia in the 4th Century BC.

It is an area which covered the northern part of Greece, Serbia and Bulgaria at various times and was part of Yugoslavia after the Second World War until the dissolution of the eastern block in the early 1990s.

It avoided the Yugoslav War by remaining a subservient part of Serbia but was later destabilised by the Kosovo War in 1999 when it was swamped by Albanian refugees and a subsequent insurgency. It declared its independence on 8th September, 1991 under the name *The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*.

Their Greek neighbours to the south have objected to the use of the name *Macedonia* but in June agreed to allow the country to join the European Union provided they call themselves *The Republic of Northern Macedonia*.

Their other neighbours are Serbia and Kosovo to the north, Bulgaria to the east and Albania to the west. The capital, Skopje is located in the north near the Kosovo border and has a population of 550 000.

The Rotary Club of Skopje was Chartered in District 1912 in 1995 and has 36 Members led by President Stevan Gorgievski.



## Announcements

**Will Eddowes** has been planning a vocational visit to The Mouse House but as Robert Burns famously wrote in his Ode to a Mouse: "The best laid schemes o' mice an' men / Gang aft a-gley." The available date, Friday 23 November, clashes with our annual commitment involving horses. Back to the drawing board, Will 😊

**Jacinta** reported that she, Rosemary Kelly and Ian Langford went to the Youth Refuge to look at a possible project involving yard work, outside seating and possibly an awning.

**Don** thanked helpers taking people to RYPEN and said that he would strive to get better feedback from students returning from our Youth activities.

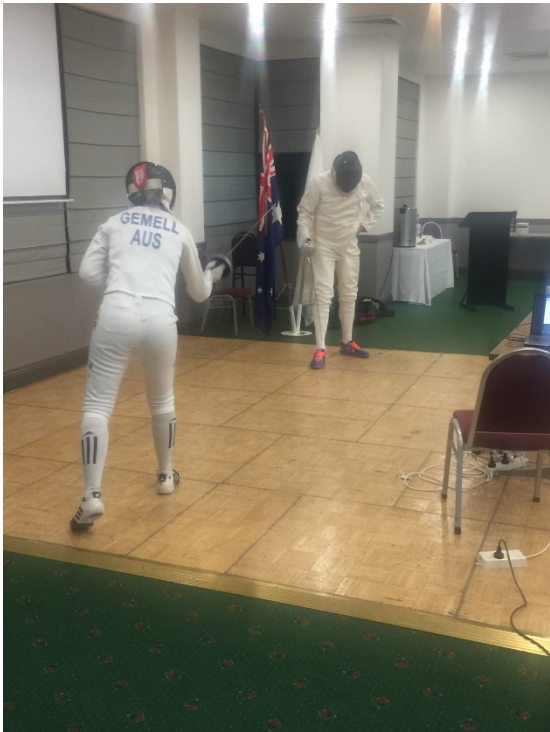
**Mary** reported that the Classic roster is full; and Tulip Time roster was finally filled while she spoke. We always get there in the end!

## Guest Speaker

In came **Robert**, looking dashing in his Australian Fencing clothing. We all know how he loves to thrust and parry when speaking, but this turned out to be one of his real-life sports. His daughter **Lisa Gemmell**, currently ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in women's fencing in Australia, joined him in a demonstration. Robert has also been highly ranked in the sport in his younger years!



Fencing is a core Olympic sport. Robert explained the main features of their sport while he sought to make points while fencing against Lisa. The amount of physical effort required was evident by the time the demonstration was complete. One imagines that Robert will keep meetings in order next year; watch out if he brings a “Foil”, an “Épée” or a “Sabre” and lays it on the head table.



Raffle: won by **Mary** with a 10 of Clubs

Sergeant’s Session: in an apparent reference to Robert’s ability to dispense justice the old way next year, Jim fined the unruly table, Tony Glenn in his flash suit after a Court appearance, Will Eddowes for holding up the bar at Lake Cargelligo and having been on Concorde; and various others for their misdemeanors.

**Photo of the Week!**



In Australia, farmers are the lifeblood of our country and they are in crisis. Record breaking heat and lack of rain means farmers are struggling to feed sheep and cattle, and keep crops alive. Families on the land are suffering and they need our help. Channel 9 and Rotary Australia have partnered with the National Farmers' Federation, launching an appeal to big business and everyday Australians, so we can provide some emergency relief. 100% of donations goes to the farmers and is tax deductible via Rotary and RAWCS. Every dollar counts.

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/17-2018-19>

As you may be aware,  
Rose Conley is STARRING  
in the Sound of Music.

Planning is under way to make a block booking to cheer her on. If anyone is interested please contact Trevor ASAP to secure your seat.

