



# Tulip Times



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

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**Meetings : 6.00 for 6.30pm  
The Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway  
Mittagong NSW 2575**

Visiting Rotarians	Janet Sinclair, RC Canberra City, Derek White, RC Sydney Cove	
Guests		
Makeups	<a href="#">Please request these at the registration desk or advise Trevor Fair asap.</a>	
Next meeting.....	<b>Apologies to Trevor Fair 4861 6917 or 0403 176 958 before 11am on day of meeting</b> <b>Members not apologizing may be liable for the dinner fee!.</b>	
	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2016	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2016
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Time	6:00 for 6:30 pm	6:00 for 6:30 pm
President	Ian Cropper	Ian Cropper
Program	Garvan Institute	TBA
Speaker	Dr Andrew Stone - "Genomics" ( <b>PARTNERS</b> )	TBA
Intro/Vote of thanks	Ian Cropper	Rod Aistroe
Dinner Fees	Les Vickerman	Robbie Allen
Meeting Host	Mark Wallace	Rosemary Kelly
Journalist	Trevor Fair	Trevor Fair
Sergeant		
Regalia	Rod Aistroe	Terry Mortensen
<b>If unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Mark Wallace by email <a href="mailto:wallace9710@iinet.net.au">wallace9710@iinet.net.au</a></b>		



: Ray Williams

The Combined Invocation By All was just as ragged as last week's but everyone contributed and meant it. Sorry, A/Sgt. Jim!

**President Ian** was visibly excited at the prospect of only 4 more meetings. He welcomed **Tony Glenn** back, also visiting Rotarian **Derek White** (Sydney Cove, now in Mittagong), **Janet Sinclair** with shoes bought in the Highlands, **Mel and Jacinta** who will be inducted next week and guest speaker **Gregg Hodson**.

**Gerry Kroon** read the International Toast. Saturday the 18th is the National Day of the Republic of the Seychelles when the country celebrates the adoption of their Constitution in 1993. The Seychelles comprise 115 islands in the Indian Ocean 1600km east of Kenya. The islands were uninhabited when Vasco da Gama mapped them in 1502 and became a stopping point for ships heading to India and China. France claimed them in 1794 and allowed pirates to operate from them and other Indian Ocean islands attacking British trading ships. Britain attacked and took control of Mauritius and the Seychelles in 1810 and held them until independence was granted in 1976.

The population of the Seychelles is 92 000 and the Capital, Victoria has 2 Rotary clubs in District 9220.

The Rotary Club of Victoria Coco de Mer (named after the sea coconut unique to the islands) was Chartered in 2013 and has 20 Members led by **President Rivolta Marco**.

Their meetings look like much like ours:



(Ed. Their facebook page is worth a look: <https://www.facebook.com/RCVcocodemer/>)

**Notices for the good of Rotary:**

The meeting approved end of year donations as recommended by the Board in recent correspondence to members.

Board members should have their annual reports in by next week.

Changeover will be on 12 July; a combined meeting with Rotaract.

**Rod Aistrophe's** "turning of the sod" for Challenge House will now be this Thursday at 10am; cnr Cook and Anne Sts, Welby.

**David Rees** updated the Breakfast Club. Term 3 roster may start in Week 4 depending on staff availability at BHS. Confirm your availability with David.

**Ron Shepherd** asked to remember the victims of the Atlanta atrocity.

**Back to A/Sgt Jim:** who alleged the Board's suggested end-of-year spending was pork-barreling and the Cropper spendometer was reminiscent of Bill and Malcolm. Then something about a drinker who found a penguin, put it on a lead and took it first to the zoo, then the library??

Rosemary Kelly introduced Gregg who gave a passionate talk about how music specific to the person can make a huge difference to the life of a dementia patient. His wife suffers from this awful condition. He saw a program on ABC "Catalyst" (Ed: see <http://www.abc.net.au/catalyst/stories/4421003.htm>) and decided to promote it in the Highlands in aged care facilities and at state and federal government levels. He wondered if Rotary could play a role in 2016-2017.

There is no medication but music somehow bypasses the dead neurons in the brain and activates ancient but still alive neurons. The video that **Gregg** showed was amazing; inactive people who remembered old songs when heard on tiny ipods via earphones; a man who could only slow shuffle danced steadily to a tango.

As **Rosemary** noted when thanking **Gregg**, it was a very emotional story and there was a feeling in the room supported by **incoming President Linda**, that next year, somehow we should facilitate this initiative.

**Gerry** won the raffle but drew the 2 of Hearts from the ever smaller deck. The collective groan was much better than the Combined Invocation.

Who will get the Joker?

**And so ended another meeting of the RC of B-M.**

