



Bowral-Mittagong
Rotary
 District 9705
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Next 4 Weeks	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist
19 Nov	CENTENNIAL VINEYARDS	DINNER & DANCE – 6.30pm	
22 Nov	Bowral Bowling Club	Doug Taylor/The Smith Family	Trevor Fair
29 Nov	Kookabar	Foundation Presentation/ Leigh Robinson	Pamela Brown
01 Dec	EMPIRE CINEMA	“THE LOST KING” - 6 for 6.30pm	
06 Dec	Bowral Bowling Club	AGM	Will Eddowes
10 Dec	BONG BONG ST.	“ANGELS IN OUR TOWN”	
13 Dec	Bowral Golf Club	Christmas Party	David McCosh

This Weekend - Tickets still available!! - Phone Leigh

Dinner & Dance

A feel-good evening of laughter, music, and dance

Sat 19th
November

6.30 pm

Dress code -
Cocktail

Two course
meal with
drinks
\$150 per
person



The charity which co-ordinates non-emergency flights to assist country people to access specialist medical treatment that would otherwise be unavailable to them because of vast distance and high travel costs.

Centennial Vineyards.

Hosted by the lovely,



Julia Zemiro

Journalist: Tim Bowland

Venue: Annesley



Annesley – as the members arrive.

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Welcome:

Pres Leigh opened the meeting in the absence of Sergeant Lynton who was an apology along with Ian Langford, Will Eddowes, Pam Brown & Rod Aistrophe who is on leave.

Invocation: Spoken by all members.

Pres Leigh’s Report

Pres Leigh welcomed **Ian Dongers** our newest member who has transferred from Cowra. Pres Leigh then welcomed our guests: **Geoff, Barbara and Teresa**. Pres Leigh advised it was Rotary Foundation Month this month. The Foundation is one of the top four charities in the world.

Pres Leigh talked about **Angels In Our Town** parade on the 10th December.



The club has banners and club members will parade down the main street as part of the celebration which will end up at Corbet Gardens for a concert. The parade will start approx. 4.30 pm. More details later.

Bowral Public School has asked for assistance with a BBQ on Friday 25th November. They are looking for assistance with funding and help with the BBQ.

The club will be presenting cheques to Bowral Public School, Bowral High School and Mittagong Public School as part of the club’s annual cheque giving program.

The club board has decided to award two \$1000 scholarships to Bowral HS students who are in their departing year. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist the student set up for University or Tech College. The students will be chosen by the school on the grounds of deserving assistance and needing assistance.

Flood Relief. The Board has also been discussing flood relief, they have decided to direct funds to western NSW and will be having further discussion about that as the needs are many.

The **District Board Minutes** have been distributed to all members for their information.

AGM – Nominations please!



Why not you?™

Pres Leigh asked the club members to nominate for board position for the coming 23-24 Rotary Year. Please give it serious consideration as Leigh will not be standing for Pres again.

Club Photos

Pres Leigh has had an appeal from Ian Langford to send him copies of any Rotary activity to include on his slide show that he produces for the club.

Dinner & Dance fund raiser

Centennial Vineyards



We have been successful in getting three relatively valuable sponsorships for the dinner dance. One from **Duncan Hill** thanks to Carsten. Denise has obtained a donation from **Carlton Real Estate**. Carsten applied for a grant from the **RSL** and was granted \$1000. Pres Leigh thanked his committee, - **Carsten, Denise, Rosemary, Luciano, Rod, and Ian Langford** have put the dinner dance together. The club has received 16 to \$17,000 dollars' worth of goods to auction. The Dinner Dance will be profitable. Pres Leigh conceived the idea of the Dinner Dance 18 months ago and was very appreciative of all the work done by the committee.

NSW Referees Assoc. Golf Day.

Trevor has been negotiating with NSW Referees Assoc. which is having a Golf Day on Sunday. They paid us \$1500 to run a BBQ to serve bacon and eggs for breakfast and again for lunch at 1pm. Trevor asked for volunteers and quickly filled his requirements.

Notification – Meeting Numbers

Bowral Bowling Club has requested that we submit our numbers on the Friday before the Tuesday meeting. Please advise Trevor early if you will not be attending

OTHER REPORTS

Denise Coad – Meeting venues etc.

Denise advised the members that we will be coming to Annesley once a month for our meeting.

Denise has confirmed the Christmas Party will be at the Golf Club on the 13th December. The cost will be \$55 / head plus drinks from the bar. Could each member bring along an unwrapped present for a child aged between 5 and 11 and put it under the Christmas Tree. The presents will go to the Uniting Church for distribution.

Rosemary – Dinner & Dance Raffle prizes

Advised that she has organised two raffle baskets with values of \$800 and \$600 respectively. She thanked members who have bought tickets and acknowledged the support we have had from local shops. Please shop locally if you can!

Mary Ramsey – Film premier request

Asked for a donation of 12 bottles of red wine to compliment the 12 bottles of white that Denise has donated.

Guest Speaker: Ian Law

Ian explained that recent travel had not left time to complete preparation of his presentation on the Environment, but instead he gave us an interesting Members talk on how his career as a Chemical Engineer led to environmental care through water management. (Report on following page)

Sergeant's Session:

Don Graham conducted a fine session fining Jim for buying wine, Tim for his RATs test. Trevor for trying to find new board members, Leigh for giving away \$2k without a quorum of the board. The girls for perving at Casten's legs as he rides his bike.

Raffle:

Was won Alan Falvey. And he drew the 8 spades

Pres Leigh thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting shortly after 8.05pm.

Next Meeting: Bowral Bowling Club – all apologies to Trevor by Friday.

GUEST SPEAKER

IAN LAW – Member talk “My involvement with the Environment”

Ian is the Clubs Environmental Representative and District Envoy.

Ian talked about a call he had from a neighbour at Peak Hill, who has another farm at Alec Town. Alec Town had 146mm of rain on Sunday night. His neighbour lost 1000 sheep. Ian posed the question, “What can we do?”.

Ian talked about himself. He describes himself as Southern African as he lived in several SA countries. He was Born in Mauritius and moved when he was 4 to Mutare (formally Umtali in Rhodesia), then Mozambique but attended school in Rhodesia. Ian trained as a Chemical Engineer in Cape Town. Because of some alarming experiences with pollution, he retrained as a public health engineer.



In 1983 he and Sue moved to Australia where his career took off. Ian has been married for 53 years. Ian works with councils and governments in securing their water supplies into the future. Part of that is recycling water.

Ian and Sue started farming in 2003. Sue is the brains behind the farming according to Ian.

Ian said he came here by chance to be near his son who moved backed to England after he had settled here, but he loves the area.

Ian asked the club members to let him know what we think are the environmental issues that are important to us. What could our club get involved in?

Tony Glenn asked the question, what is the real % of climate change?

Rosemary answered plastic waste.

What other products can we use? ie wooden toothbrushes.

Don Graham, Cubby Station water use.

Luciano, reminisced about his father’s farm and the difficulties that existed in the 40’s and 50’s.

Leigh asked the club if we are interested in introducing a session on the environment into the calendar rather than a guest speaker. The answer was yes. Leigh will organise it.