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Club Meetings: Attendance & Apologies

Weekly on Tuesdays, 6.00pm for 6.30pm at various Southern Highlands venues. (See below)

Contact: TREVOR FAIR of your attendance or apologies

Deadline is 5pm Friday. T: 02 4861 6917 M: 0403 176 958 email: trevorfair5@bigpond.com

Please be considerate and respond. Unannounced members and guests may miss out on a meal.

"What's On?"

Date	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist	Invocation & International Toast
19 Oct- 20 Oct	Bowral Classic	Organiser Mary Ramsay	N/A	N/A
22 Oct	Bowral Bowling Club	David Patton	Graham Castle	Rod Aistrop
25 Oct- 27 Oct	Mittagong RSL	District 9705 Conference	N/A	N/A
29 Oct	Mittagong RSL	Andrea Natalie, Heart Disease research	Mary Cramond	Steve Hallis
5 Nov	TBA	TBA	Janine Brundle	Mary Cramond
12 Nov	Bowral Bowling Club	Peter Morris - Hospice	Steve Hallis	Robbie Allen
15 Nov	Imperial Hotel	Birthday Lunch. Come and celebrate.	N/A	N/A
19 Nov	NO Meeting		NA	NA
21 Nov	Bong Bong Racetrack	BB Races BBQ & Car Parking Organiser Don Graham	David Patton	Ian Law
26 Nov	Bowral Bowling Club	Leigh Robinson - Foundation	Rosemary Kelly	Robert de Jongh
3 Dec	Bowral Bowling Club	Domonic Williams - GAZA	Denise Coad	Ian Donges
10 Dec	Bowral Bowling Club	TBA	Steve Escott	David McCosh
17 Dec	Annesley	Christmas Party		

NB The journalist and International Toast Roster may have changed. Check for your name.

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JOURNALIST: Ian Law

VENUE: Annesley

President Bob Miller called the meeting to order and introduced our Guests for the evening:



- Rachel Seach and Suzanne Hannema from Council and who were responsible for the planning and implementation of the Tulip Times Festival this year. President Bob, Past President Don and Ian Langford had met with the two before this Club Assembly meeting.
- Steve Hallis and Steve Escott – who will be inducted as new member of our Club at this Club Meeting.
- Our Honorary Member, Mary Ramsay.



President Bob then invited **Rosemary Kelly** to present the **Invocation** and the **International Toast**.



INVOCATION

‘For Good Food, for Good Fellowship and the opportunity to Serve, we give Thanks’

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

International Toast 15 October 2024

Rotary Club of Putney, London

Putney is a lovely neighbourhood in South West London. The suburb is filled with lots of green spaces, cafes and families. Putney is located on the South Bank of the Thames, between Fulham and Wimbledon.

The Rotary Club of Putney was established on 28 January 1925. The first meeting had 18 members in attendance. In the early years the Club forged strong links with the Royal Hospital & home for the Incurables and also with Putney Hospital.

Putney Rotary Club has recently donated two planters to the sensory garden at Ashmead Care Home. The Club also plants purple crocuses around the suburb to provide a visual spring display.

President Jane Cooper leads a strong Club of 35 members.

President Bob confirmed that this was a Club Assembly Meeting and that there would be opportunity for members to discuss issues that they consider the Board and the Club should address.

1. New Members

President Bob inducted our two new members, **Steve Hallis** and **Steve Escott**, both of whom gave a brief summary of their backgrounds:



Steve Hallis:

- A Rotarian since 1991, mainly with the Melbourne Club
- Enjoyed his time in that Club
- Happy to be busy in matters Rotary
- Employed in the Recruitment Industry and started his own operation in 1989



Steve Escott:

- Moved from Turramurra to the Southern Highlands 5 years ago and is 'new' to Rotary.
- Really appreciated the opportunity of being inducted into our Club and is looking forward to providing support to our Community Service activities.

2. Bowral Classic

Mary has all rosters completed and urged all those rostered to attend the Briefing Session to be held at **4pm on Friday 18th October** at the **Bradman Museum**.

3. Tulip Times and Garden Party feedback

Suzanne, with input from Rachel, thanked the Club for its role and support in this year's Tulip Time and Garden Party and appreciated any feedback that the Club can offer.

Some statistics:

- 77,000 entered the event;
- 14% of this number were local residents;
- 37 Stallholders of which 50% were local;
- Issues were noted with the QR codes and Eventbrite support;
- The event was financially better than last year's one;
- Urged all Rotarians to complete and submit the survey as their opinions/thoughts/observations are important to Council in its planning for future events.

President Bob noted that some 16 Club Members had completed and submitted the survey and he urged those members who are yet to complete and submit the survey to do so ASAP.

In general discussion, there were some concerns raised over the *Garden Party* format – inadequate advertising, more and different entertainment needed and recognition that the make up of attendees for the Garden Party were different to those that attended the Tulip Times event.

4. Succession Planning.

President Bob urged all members to consider putting their hands up to take on the roles of *President Elect* and *Club Treasurer*.

5. Christmas Party

The Christmas Party will be held on **17th December at Annesley** – more details to follow.

6. Offer from Mittagong RSL Club

The Board is investigating the offer from the Mittagong RSL Club for a trial as a Dinner and Meeting venue. Our meeting on 5th November will be held at the RSL as the Bowral Bowling Club has a Melbourne Cup function that day.

7. Rotary/Lions Shed Working Bee

Monday 28th October at 4pm. More details to follow.

8. Raffle Winner

Our new member Steve Hallis drew the Raffle and Leigh Robinson was the winner.

9. Community Face

Member Tim Bowland urged all Club members to consider how best to ensure that our Club identifies a signature project or projects that become clearly identified with our Club and that the community in which we live recognise this and appreciate that our fundraising activities have a clear focus – we should not just be noted as a ‘fund raiser’.

Fine Session

There was no fine session and the meeting closed at 8.20pm.



‘Excellent. Email that to all our employees.’



If your planning on attending the conference and the Saturday night dinner you need to register on the official web site. The sooner the better.

Birthdays

October: Rosemary Kelly 31/10, Ian Law 7/10

November Robbie Allan 25/11: Ian Johnson 26/11, Ian Langford 23/11: David Patton 28/11

October/November Imperial Hotel Pizza Birthday Lunch November 15, 2024

Youth Report

Dear Bowral-Mittagong Rotary Club,

The past few months have been very exciting, full of unique challenges and new experiences!

My language learning has been progressing and I find myself being impressed more and more everyday as I begin to interact with Japanese locals by myself, without any aid. I was proud when my Host Rotary District Committee were able to ask some advanced questions that I could understand and formulate a proper response to!

This weekend, I took part in the famous 300 year old Kishiwada Danjiri Matsuri festival! I wore the traditional Japanese outfit for the Danjiri men, and I was proud to follow behind the large cart as it raced through the streets of the city. The men were so kind, that they even let me hop on the Danjiri cart when everyone was taking a rest at a stop at a nearby temple, and I loved being able to see the view from the cart! This was a special once in a lifetime experience and I hope to one day see the Danjiri Matsuri festival again! Thank you Rotary!



I can't wait to experience more soon, especially with the upcoming ski trip that my District is planning! Thank you for listening and reading my news, I'm so grateful to have had these amazing opportunities! Thank you once more.

-Asher Japan 2024.

Funnies

Courtesy of Cowra RC
A NEW LABOUR SAVING DEVICE. IT'S CALLED "TOMORROW"

A middle aged couple had two stunningly beautiful daughters, so they decided to try for a boy. After months of trying, she became pregnant and delivered a healthy baby boy. The proud father went to the nursery to gloat over his new son and was horrified to see the ugliest child he had ever seen.

He went back to his wife and said there was no way he could be the father of such a child.

He asked "Have you been fooling around on me?" She smiled sweetly and said, "Not this time."

Quotes



Joel Weldon