



# ***Tulip Times***

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

**E: [rotarybm@acenet.com.au](mailto:rotarybm@acenet.com.au)**

**W: [www.bowralmittagongrotary.com](http://www.bowralmittagongrotary.com)**

**President: Linda Knight 0418 126 240**

**Secretary: Sue Adams 0438 249 703**

**Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30**

**Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway  
Mittagong NSW 2575**

<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Janet Sinclair	
<b>Guests</b>	Linda Emery, Vickie Kelley, Jim Adams	
<b>Next meetings....</b>	<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> No Meeting</b> <b>Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	<b>Tuesday 9th May</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Highlands Golf Club</b>	<b>Highlands Golf Club</b>
<b>Program</b>		<b>India</b>
<b>Speaker</b>	Laurie Stewart	Simon Knight
<b>Intro/Vote of Thanks</b>	Louie Liberale	NA
<b>Dinner Fees</b>	Rose Conley	Denise Coad
<b>Journalist</b>	Michael Lendrum	Trevor Fair
<b>Regalia</b>	Ray Coulton	Jo Chalmers

*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)*



## Welcome - Linda Knight

### Guests

Linda Emery - guest speaker  
Janet Sinclair  
Jim Adams  
Vickie Kelly

### International Toast – David McCosh



Salisbury was a fortified outpost established by the British South Africa Company in 1890 in the north central area of Southern Rhodesia as a trading centre as the British Empire consolidated its colonisation of Africa.

After the Unilateral Declaration of Independence by Ian Smith's government and 15 years of civil war Zimbabwe finally achieved independence under the African Nationalist rule of Robert Mugabe on 18th April, 1980 and is celebrating its Independence Day today.

Salisbury was renamed Harare and nowadays has a population of about 1.6 million. Years of political corruption and social unrest have led to hyper-inflation with foreign currencies, including the Australia Dollar adopted for local use.

Harare has been nominated as the world's least liveable city by the *Economist* magazine for the last few years but there are good people trying to improve life for the ordinary people there including the 587 Rotarians in the 29 Clubs in Zimbabwe.

Among them are President Johnson Dhembha and the 34 Members of the breakfast Rotary Club of Harare Dawn.

It was chartered in 2000 in District 9210 which also covers Malawi, Mozambique and Zambia.

The Club has two of RI's principal objectives as its main focus - literacy and clean water supply.

Last month they handed over a new fitted out reading room and a water bore with a pump at a primary school on the outskirts of Harare.

### Announcements

Linda - provided a cake and members sang happy birthday to Brian Elliot celebrating his 80<sup>th</sup> birthday and years in the Bowral-Mittagong Rotary Club.

*Birthday boy - Brian*



Sue – someone left glasses behind at winery dinner

Changeover dinner, Linda is checking the cost of the meal and drinks. Trying to keep the costs down - \$45 for dinner at Fitzroy Inn I Ferguson Cres Mittagong Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June.

Jim Pride of Workmanship, eight nominations thank you.

Gerry - disappointment for Rob Uhl with the idea of a membership night, not being able to go ahead due to lack of numbers. Gerry suggesting the cinema promote the Rotary Club. Gerry would like this to be exclusive to 65 Bowral-Mittagong Club. Some members expressed their view of advertising Rotary in general, including the other Highland Clubs.

**Guest Speaker Linda Emery introduced by Sue Adams**

**WDYTYA Who Do You Think You Are - History and story**



Linda is an author and researcher with program 'Who do you think you are' which airs on Tuesday nights 7.30 on SBS. Professional historians come back each year to support the show. Linda feels fortunate to have been involved in the very successful SBS program. The Australian version started in 2008 and has grown from strength to strength. Linda explained there are many reasons for the success of the program - the concept of taking a celebrity and sharing their life story, as the story unfolds the celebrity story becomes relevant to many people. A journey through family history can be relevant to all of us.

Why are celebrities, not ordinary people featured in the program - obvious answer is ratings. Casting for the series can be challenging - many people say no. Geoffrey Rush was approached in series one, but was unable to find time to be interviewed until series six.

Someone who knows little about their family history makes for an interesting story.

Research of family tree is the first step when producing the show. Each episode is filmed live. Revelations are revealed live to the participant, unrehearsed.

The most interesting convict story Linda was involved in was AFL star Ron Barassi.

Ray Martins story was moving looking back to his indigenous heritage.

Linda described Andrew Denton's story as a fascinating research project. Andrew's father was Jewish who changed his name in order to be more accepted and successful in the world. Historical family records were from Russia and Poland, most of which had been destroyed during and after the war. Memory books found in Canada showed Andrew's family were transported to a death camp. This was an incredibly moving episode. Through telling one mans' story, the story of millions was able to be told.

**Vote of thanks** Jim Gasson



**Raffle** Still no Joker, the Ace hearts was drawn by Brian Pattinson.



**Anzac Day - no meeting next week.**

**President Linda** closed the meeting 8.20.





## District Training Assembly 2017 Agenda

Saturday, April 29, 2017

1:00 pm to 1:05 pm

Call to Order

1:05 pm to 1:20 pm	<b>Welcome &amp; Theme</b>	DGE Mark Wallace
1:20 pm to 1:50 pm	<b>Planning a Community event</b>	Paul Anderson
1:55 pm to 2:15 pm	<b>Child Protection Overview</b>	DG Steve Hill
2:15 pm to 2:45 pm	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>	
2:45 pm to 3:05 pm	<b>Visioning/RLI</b>	Lyn Duckham
3:05 pm to 3:30 pm	<b>Youth Exchange</b>	John Britton
3:30 pm to 4:00 pm	<b>PR &amp; Social Media</b>	Natalie Jupe/Nathan Watkins
4:05 pm to 5:05 pm	<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS 1</b>	
	Presidents & Protection Officers	DG Steve Hill/ DGE Mark Wallace
	Secretaries	Trevor Fair
	Treasurers	Rosemary Everett
	Community	Paul Roger
	Vocational	Steve Fielding
	Youth Service	Matt Froome
	International	Desmond Woods
	Membership	Judy Ford
	Foundation	PDG Rob Woolley
5:10 pm	<b>Special General meeting</b>	
5:20 pm	<b>Close</b>	
6:30 pm for 7:00 pm	Dinner – Raiders West Belconnen	



## District Training Assembly 2017 Agenda

Sunday, April 30, 2017

8:30 am to 8:45 am	<b>Welcome</b>	
	<b>PLENARY</b>	
8:45 am to 9:05 am	<b>Australian Rotary Health</b>	Terry Davies
9:05 am to 9:25 am	<b>NSW Emergency Services Awards</b>	Dot Hennessey
9:25 am to 9:50 am	<b>Rotary Youth Driver Awareness</b>	Neil Simpson
9:50 am to 10:20 am	<b>RIPE Ian Riseley – Rotary Foundation</b>	
10:20 am to 10:30 am	<b>Morning Tea</b>	
10:35 am to 11:35 am	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION 2</b>	
	Presidents	Andrew Best – RI Parramatta
	Secretaries	Andrew Best – RI Parramatta
	Club Administration	Julia Pedler
	Community	Paul Roger
	Youth	Matt Froome
	Vocational	Steve Fielding
	Foundation	PDG Rob Woolley
	Membership	Judy Ford
	International	Desmond Woods
11:40 am to 12:40 am	<b>BREAKOUT SESSION 3</b>	
	Club Administration	Julia Pedler
	Community	Paul Roger
	Youth	Matt Froome
	Vocational	Steve Fielding
	Foundation	PDG Rob Woolley
	Membership	Judy Ford
	International	Desmond Woods
12:45 pm to 1:00 pm	<b>Conclusion</b>	DGE Mark Wallace/PGD Maureen Manning