

CREATE HOPE in the WORLD

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Email : rotarybm@acenet.com.au www.bowralmittagongrotary.com **Board of Directors President:** Don Graham

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Club Meetings:

Weekly on Tuesdays, 6.00pm for 6.30pm at various Southern Highlands venues. (See below) If you are an apology please text or phone Denise Coad 0416009395 or email <u>denisecoad@bigpond.com</u> by 5.00pm Friday before the Tuesday meeting. By default, it will be assumed that members are attending.

Date	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist
26 Sept	Bowral Bowling Club	Mary Crammond (future!) member talk	David McCosh
3 Oct	Kookabar	Interact and Assembly	Will Eddowes
10 Oct	Bowral Bowling Club	Richard Krohn (Winzero) Rotarian BBC	Pamela Brown

Journalist: Tim Bowland Venue: Bowral Bowling Club Sergeant : Lynton Kettle

Welcome:

Sergeant Lynton Kettle welcomed everyone including Guests: DG Andrea Grosvenor, AG Haseena Tweedle, DG Elect Rob Uhl, Beverley Coffee, Mary Crammond and Robyn Liberale. President Don Then started the meeting and welcomed our guests then introduced Trevor Fair to present the International Toast.

International Toast.

The first self-governing country to grant all women the vote was New Zealand on the 19 September 1893. While the suffragette movement was strong around the world, the recognition was slow to follow the example of New Zealand.



The state of South Australia followed in 1894 however it was not until 1902 that recognition was given by the Federal Parliament.

Canada followed in 1917, the United Kingdom in 1918 and the United States in 1920. By contrast Switzerland didn't grant women full voting rights until 1971, Portugal in 1976 and Liechtenstein in 1984.

As an aside, the current Australian Coat of Arms was introduced on 19 September 1912.

This evening we will venture across the ditch to visit the Rotary Club of Wellington, the first Rotary Club in New Zealand chartered on 1 May 1921. It has 75 members led by Julie Haggie.

The Club meets at The Boatshed on the harbour a short distance from the parliamentary building known as the "Bee Hive" which houses the Executive Wing of the Parliament and is adjacent to the buildings of Parliament where the vote occurred granting women the right to vote.

It was cause for celebration when the Trust established by the Wellington Rotary Club in 2019 surpassed its target of 200,000 trees planted at the end of the 2022 planting season.

The Club established the Trust in late 2019 as a centennial project and secured funding from the Billion Trees Fund. The total cost was \$1,400,000 at \$7.00 per tree. The aim is to plant a further 44,000 trees in 2023.

The world is our oyster if we have the initiative and the drive.

Please be upstanding and toast the President Julie and the members of the Rotary Club of Wellington on the success of the Club's initiative.

REPORTS

Robbie Allen: spoke about the PBS day (Positive Behaviour for Success) at Bowral High School. Robbie and David Rees cooked



for the BBQ while the Interactors sold that and other things to raise money.



Tomorrow night Robbie is presenting two scholarships. \$1000 to a male and female year 12 student who are going onto University or further

education. The students will report back to the

club at a later date. Luciano expressed his praise of the BHS students.

Don Graham Spoke about shelter box and advised that the club will be donating two shelter boxes to the Morocco and Libyan Appeals. The board will be discussing if we should donate extra boxes.

The AGM is on the 8th November and we need a President Elect and other board positions so please give it your consideration.

On the 2nd December Angels in our Town have invited us to walk in the parade. It's a good opportunity to promote our club to the community.

Don mentioned he is doing regular radio interviews with 2ST. If members want to plug anything on radio then let Don know. Don also spoke about Regionalisation after Andrea's talk. We are learning about this all the time and we need to vote later in September. Andrea spoke briefly how the new organisatioin will work and how it may benefit Rotary clubs. There will be no change to how we operate as a club.

Denise Coad brought along Rotary apparel for the members to purchase with the aim of improving our public image. Talk to Denise if you would like to purchase any of the samples. **Ian Langford** reported on the first day of Tulip Time, he thanked all who are helping and the



day went well. Ian asked if you are coming for your first shift come early so you can be briefed on procedures.

Also, if you need to change shifts organise it yourself with someone else on the roster.

Tony Glenn asked for members to nominate for a shift for the Bowral Classic. He needs an extra two volunteer for Friday setup. Tony said we need another four people for Sunday and for pack up late Sunday afternoon.

Aprons: The club purchased 9 new aprons about two years ago. Four are in the shed but 5 are missing – probably taken for washing and forgotten! THERE IS A PRIZE for information leading to their location. Not one but two packets of 'Original' Timtams.

GUEST SPEAKER DG Andrea Grosvenor

Andrea said she was touring around the 72 clubs in her area and we were the 10th on the list to visit.



Andrea gave a brief history of her Rotary experience she has been a Rotarian for 10 years and belongs to the RC of Queanbeyan. She comes from a Rotary family and she was a Rotaractor. Andrea talked about the RI Theme for this year "Create

Hope in the World". The theme came from RI Pres Gordon McInally's experience in the Thailand Sunami.

Andrea advised that there are two "Earlyact Clubs" Rotary for Primary school students. So that is something new that is coming. Andrea outlined how District was here to support our club and there are many experts we can call on if we need help.

Andrea also spoke about RAWCS, ROMAC and ARH as being the main Australian initiatives of Rotary Australia and she spoke about each one outlining what they do.

Andrea encouraged us to send in stories to the District newsletter editor for publication.

The district is also working on Disaster response from what they have learned from the Eugowra experience.

Andrea talked about a new Rotary initiative "Domestic and Family Violence". Rotary has developed a partnership with the Police to work together. The initiative has been started in Ballina. See RDU magazine. There will be more information on this as it happens.

Andrea outlined her goals for this year being The Rotary Foundation and Polio Plus. She outlined that the job can not stop until Polio is completely eliminated.

Andrea recommended that we listen to RI President Gordon McInnaly's Speeches

Fines:

Lynton Kettle delivered a number of fines on Tony, Rod, Robbie, Mary Crammond, The East Timor group in RDU Magazine, Rosemary,

Denise and Don **Cross Fines:**

Will fined Tim and Tony

Ian fined Andrea.

David McCosh fined Will

Raffle:

Was won by Bob Miller but the joker is still elusive.

President Don thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting shortly after 8pm.

