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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

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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 |
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| 23 rd May | Imperial Hotel | Imperial Pizza Birthday Lunch from 12:00 Noon. | N/A | N/A |
| 24 May | Wingecarribee Shire Council | Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA). | N/A | N/A |
| 25 th , 26 th 27 th May | Mittagong RSL Club | Science & Engineering Challenge & Discovery Day | N/A | N/A |
| 27 th May | NO MEETING | | | |
| 3 rd June | Robbie’s home | Poetry Night bring plate food/finger food | Ian Langford | Alan Falvey |
| 10 th June | Bowral Bowling Club | TBA | Denise Coad | Graham Castle |
| 17 th June | Annesley Bowral, Retirement Village | 35 Year Service Award | Will Eddowes | David Stranger |
| 24 th June | Bowral Bowling Club | Richard Lane Vocal Muster | Barbara Humphries | Steve Escott |
| 1 July | TBA | Club Changeover | Trevor Fair | TBA |
| 8 July | Bowral Bowling Club | Dr David Browning | | |
| 27 July | Yass Golf Club | District Changeover | na | na |
| 2-3 Aug | TBA | MHFA Youth Course | Leigh | |
| 12 th to 30 th Sept | Corbet Gardens | Tulip Time Festival | | |

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| 29 Sept | Corbet Gardens | Food & Wine Festival | | |
| 19 Oct | Bowral | Bowral Cycle Classic | | |
| 21 Nov | Bong Bong Picnic Racecourse | Bong Bong Picnic Races | | |

ROTARY MEETING TUESDAY May 20, 2025

NURSES AWARD NIGHT HELD AT ANNERSLEY.

Meeting commenced at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 20th May 2025

Sargeant: Lynton Kettle

Invocation and International Toast: Ian Donges

Journalist: Barbara Humphries

Sargeant Lynton called the meeting to order and welcomed tonight's guests.

Lynn Wickenden and partner Marlene Andrew and friend Kylie Gavin.

Richard Krohn.

Wives who have joined us this evening include Bev Donges, Alison Bowland, Doreen Coysh, Denise Escott, Kate Fair, Susan Law, Ria McCosh, Sue Miller and Mara de Jongh.

Honorary member Mary Ramsay.

Bob Miller was invited to the microphone.

Ian Donges invited to do the Invocation and International Toast. (Toast to Rotary of Copenhagen.)

President Bob welcomed everyone. He gave an update on the welfare of members. Jim Gasson remains on target to achieve his goal in joining us at Pizza lunch this Friday 23rd at the Imperial Hotel. He encouraged us to come to celebrate Jim's 87th birthday.

Bob welcomed back Ian Langford after his recent surgeries.

Bob together with 2 other members attended the Wingecarribee Volunteer Expo at the Bowral Town Hall earlier today. There were 16 volunteer groups. Our club showcased our Shelterbag community project, our involvement in Tulip Time, Bong Bong Races, and Cycle Classic. He mentioned how few people know what we actually do as a Club. Something we need to correct.

Robbie and David Rees again represented us at "Fit 4 Life" program conducted at Bowral High School joining teachers, NSW Police and PCYC. Robbie has agreed to organize a roster to continue the program.

Robert de Jongh and his MUNA committee reported that the plans are finalized for preparation on Friday and the event this Saturday commencing 8 am at Moss Vale Chambers. He would appreciate volunteers to help set-up this Friday. Rob explained the history of Muna. There are 35 students competing and the Mayor is opening it.

Bob invited Ian Langford to report on the Science and Engineering Challenge which commences next Monday and Tuesday 26th and 27th May at the Mittagong RSL. There are 7 high schools and 18 public schools participating. He thanked Rod and Will for their help with the roster in his absence.

Dinner was served.

Bob invited Rosemary Kelly to introduce the guest speaker Lynn Wickenden.



Lynn has been in Nursing for 42 years, 31 of those have been at Bowral Hospital and 20 years of that was spent in ED. For that Lynn, you deserve a medal.

Lynn has had many different roles over the years which I am sure she will tell us all about.

We have so many wonderful nurses working so hard in our local hospitals. When we were looking through the applicants our choice was made easier in selecting Lynn because she has gone beyond her duties as a nurse. In Rotary we have a four way test and one of those is DUTY ABOVE SELF. Lynn has certainly achieved that so please welcome Lynn as our 2024 Nurse of the year.

Bob presented the award to Lynn. Sue Miller gave her a lovely bunch of flowers.

Lynn commenced her speech by saying that she moved down to Bowral when her son was one. Her partner Marlene is a paramedic.

She started working as a casual nurse, working in different departments and moved through the ranks.

She found her niche in the ED which is where she worked for 20 years. "Bowral Hospital is a fantastic place to work. Nurses get a lot of experience at Bowral working in different areas of the hospital. They worked with the local GPS and were allowed to give antibiotics, order x rays etc. They would only wake the Doctor on duty if needed. They learnt a lot of skills and had a great camaraderie with the physios and other staff. The Head of the hospital at the time signed off nurses to do extra skills. When nurses were assigned to Bowral Hospital from Liverpool, they didn't have the experience like the local nurses. Bowral nurses worked more like a community. Paramedics would stay and help if needed". Lynn learnt how to "put out spot fires" if required.

Lynn thanked everyone and said the donation of \$2000 is going towards the reintroduction of pet therapy which is what they had before Covid hit. They had a dog who both patients and staff loved to have around.

Bob thanked Lynn for her speech.

Further comments from Bob were:

Steve Escott getting the FIRST Aid Course going.

On the 2nd and 3rd August, there is a Youth Mental Health First Aid Course.

Disability Sports Australia held an inclusive day of activities at Frensham School. He, Robbie and Mary attended. This program is funded by the Federal Government.

Defibrillator training is to be organized.

A reminder of future events:

Poetry Night at Robbie's place on June 3 (bring a plate)

Trivia night – Annersley (date TBA)

Member 35 year Rotary Service night (17th June at Annersley)

Mary Ramsay reminded everyone about the Cycle Classic in October (details to come)

RAFFLE: Drawn by Lynn, won by Bev Coffee. (Drew Ace of Clubs)

Ian Donges QUIZ: Shirley Bassey

A fine session was held by Lynton.

MEETING CLOSED 8.15 pm

A GROUP PHOTO WAS TAKEN AFTER MEETING.



Birthdays

May Birthdays: Rod Aistrophe 3rd Will Eddowes 26th, Jim Gasson 22nd, Brian Pattinson 31st.

June Birthdays: Jeff Mann 7th, David McCosh 23rd, Robert de Jongh 24th, Mary Crammond 26th.

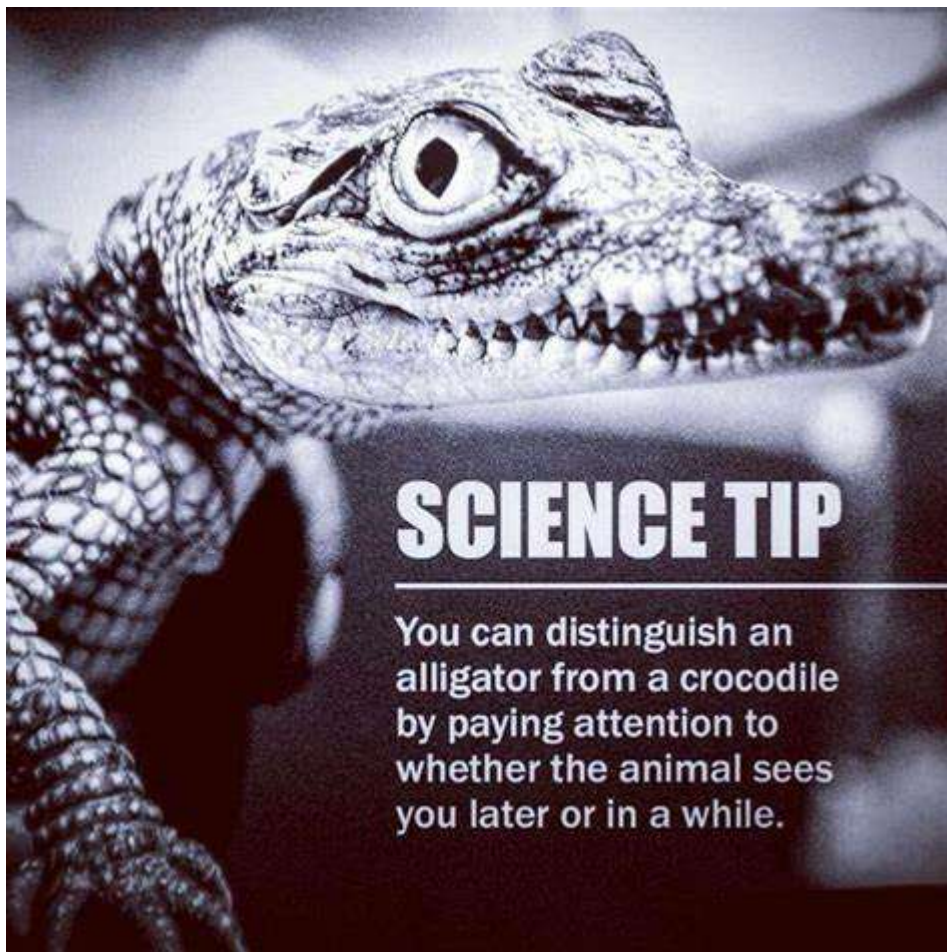
Imperial Pizza Lunches: 23rd May from 12 Noon

The week that was.

At the Volunteer Expo on Tuesday. Our shelterbag display and Kevin the homeless dummy attracted a lot of attention. Enquiry about volunteering was also strong.



Quote of the week



Rouges Gallery



Can you help out here?



Bring in your old laptops and phone (with Chargers) so they can be recycled to help our domestic violence campaign.

Also, Bring in some items each week to add to the Uniting Church basket

Non Perishable food, Toiletries ETC
