



Tulip Times

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

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Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30

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

Visiting Rotarians	Ian Johnson	
Guests	Harbison, Warragal, UofN	
Next meetings....	Tuesday 28th March 2017	Tuesday 4th April 2017
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Program	Romac, Nepal	Physics and Space
Speaker	Sandra Malberg, Yvonne Robson	Ken McCracken
Intro/Vote of Thanks	Rob Uhl	Brian Ritson
Dinner Fees	Jim Harrison	Tony Glenn
Journalist	Jacinta Sheridan	Trevor Fair
Regalia	Don Graham	Jim Gasson

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Journalist – Ray Coulton

Welcome - President

President Linda welcomed a large number of visitors – (who came close to outnumbering our attending Club members ??). Our guests were Mary Ramsey, Vickie Kelley, Eddie Boyle, Vernia Blundell, Lyn Solanov, Clr Graham Andrews, David Cochran, Helen Beckett, Brian & Jo Marsden.

Toast – Terry Mortensen

Terry Mortensen gave the International Toast which was to the Engineering and Science Challenge. He gave us the background to this wonderful organisation which was started by the Rotary Club of Dubbo. There was then a response from Helen, the Co-ordinator of the sessions here from the University of Newcastle – Helen is off to Dubbo next week to run their days and asked us to note that they have started an alumni group so that students who have been inspired by these days can form a supportive group at University. She thanked our Club very much for our efforts.

Announcements



Ian Langford reported on the great success of the 2 days of the Science and Engineering Challenge held at Mittagong RSL Club and thanked all volunteers for their efforts.

Rens “apologised” !! to our Club that he will be away for the next seven weeks – the poor lad is going to an AFL match in Melbourne, then on the Safari to Alice Springs/ Uluru, Great Barrier Reef, then back down the coast to Sydney to do the Harbour Bridge climb. His parents are coming out here for three weeks at the end of April and then he is off for five days in Bali.

Rod Aistrophe invited club members to take part in an inspection of the new accommodation for disabled people at 11.30 this Thursday on the corner of Cook Street and Elizabeth Street, Mittagong, depending on the weather, however this may be delayed if the weather is inclement.

Ray Coulton informed the Club of the progress being made on our proposed visit and working project to Timor Leste.

Josie Peacock - Harbison



Guest Speakers

Gerry introduced the guest speakers – Josie Peacock, Recreational Activities Officer from Harbison, Burradoo told the meeting about the success of the music program initiated by Gerry and Tom, relating a number of anecdotes about the wonderful effects of the program on clients there. Each of the current i-pods given to clients has 20 songs recorded, but plans are afoot to greatly extend the repertoire when time permits. She thanked the club most enthusiastically for this great initiative.

Eddie Boyle - Warrigal



Then Eddie Boyle from the Warrigal Homes Community Connect at Bundanoon enthusiastically concurred with Helen's comments, enlarging on ongoing plans for its Warrigal initiation, highlighting how hugely the clients relate songs to their past family experiences, bringing back memories of happier times.

Presentation to Warrigal – Music and Time Capsule

He also described how the implementation of “Reality Goggles” is underway, enabling clients to visualise themselves using bikes to revisit the streets of their youth. He followed this information with a brief history of this establishment and proposed developments, including a variety of services from dentistry, sensory gardens, sensory music rooms and art studios. Eddie also stressed the fact that older people having difficulties at home have access to very worthwhile government services, allowing extended independent living at home.

Rosemary then displayed the various devices that are included in the kit which enables clients to choose their own music. Gerry finished the session with a sensational finale by wheeling in a whole large trolley load of all the material which he has procured to allow initiation of this program at Warrigal.

Tom followed up to explain his involvement with technology to enable this program to work.

Linda thanked all the visitors for coming and left us with some quotes :

“One good thing about music is that when it hits you, you feel no pain.” (Bob Marley)

Hamming it up with music!



Tom and the girls!

