

## Tulip Times Club Bulletin: 21-5-2024

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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](mailto: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
24/25 May	Wingecarribee Shire Council	Model United Nations	NA	NA
27 May	Mittagong RSL	Science & Engineering Challenge (High School)	NA	NA
28 May	Mittagong RSL	Science & Engineering Discovery Day (Primary Schools)	NA	NA
28 May	Bowral Bowling Club	Tandom Speakers	Will Eddowes	David Rees
4 June	Bowral Bowling Club	Kathryn Smith INZOZI Hills School Rwanda	Trevor Fair	Paul Leotta
11 June	Bowral Bowling Club	Michelle Bulloch. Adoption	Ian Langford	Bob Miller
18 June	Annesley	Members Talk TBA	Denise	Ian Law
25 June	Bowral Bowling Club	Brooke McGee. Raise a counseling programme for troubled kids	Ian Law	Bruce Sutton
2 July	Annesley	Club Changeover Function	Will Eddowes	
12 Sept-30 Sept	Tulip Time Festival	Roster members on gates (Ian Langford)	NA	NA
4 to 7 Oct	Food & Wine Festival	Roster members on gates (Ian Langford)	NA	NA
25-27 Oct	Mittagong RSL	District 9705 Conference	NA	NA

22 Nov	Bong Bong	BB Races BBQ & Car Parking	Don	
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MEMBERS, CAN I HAVE DATES FOR THE CALENDAR PLEASE. Tim

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**ROTARY CLUB OF BOWRAL MITTAGONG TULIP TIMES BULLETIN**

**THIS WEEKS SPECIAL MESSAGES**

**FIREWOOD SALE:** All the wood in the trailer for just \$200, must be sold this week. Call Don 0409 714 818

**WHATS ON!!!**

**Model United Nations Assembly.**

All members of the Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong are invited to attend this event which is to be held between 8:30am and 4:00pm on Saturday 25th May.

If you are not already confirmed as a volunteer and wish to attend then you have two choices:

1. Register as an attendee via this link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CRVRI>

Registration costs \$12 and includes morning tea and lunch. At the registration desk, ticket holders will exchange their ticket for a tamper-proof wrist band confirming their valid ticket.

2. If you do not wish to have morning tea or lunch provided you may still attend the event, however there will be limited seating for the audience in the Council Chamber and priority access will be given to those who have purchased a ticket.

If the Council Chamber is at capacity, observers will be able to view the proceedings in an overflow room via closed circuit television.

**“The Science & Engineering Challenge”**

Monday 27<sup>TH</sup> May & Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May

“The Science & Engineering Challenge” & “The Science and Engineering Discovery Day”. To be held at the Mittagong RSL. Around 250 school children attend each day and experience many science and engineering activities. Congratulations to the Rotary organisers and volunteers who make it a very successful event.

**Next Meeting**

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May

special guests speakers **THE OGDENS** from the Rotary Club of South Launceston, TAS. They are cycling from Adelaide to Sydney to raise money for Polio. Every dollar they raise is matched 2:1 by the Bill & Malinda Gates Foundation. Please make them welcome when you see them Tuesday.

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**BIRTHDAYS**

**May:** Rod Aistrope 3/5, Jim Gasson 22/5, Will Eddowes 26/5, Brian Pattinson 31/5.

# *The Poetry Night.*

**Venue:** The Welcoming Home of Robbie Allen

**Journalist:** Bob Miller

**President Don** called the meeting to order and welcomed Club members, their partners and our guest Gloria Campbell. He outlined the plan for the meeting which focussed upon a fine group of Rotarians each presenting their chosen poem with the audience enjoying delicious food and beverage in a congenial atmosphere.

**Rosemary Kelly**, our event organiser, defined her programme for the evening recommending that breaks will occur between the poetry presentations to provide opportunity for feedback and fellowship . **Don** requested that **Ian Johnson** recite the invocation as a lead to the announcement that the dinner was now served and all could look forward to a relaxing and enjoyable evening.

**“POETRY IS THE MOST COMPACT AND COMMON FORM OF LITERATURE AND PACKS ALL KINDS OF IDEAS, FEELINGS AND SOUNDS INTO THE FEW CAREFULLY CHOSEN WORDS WITH THE LOOK, SOUND AND LANGUAGE WORKING TOGETHER TO CREATE A TOTAL EFFECT.”**

**Poetry presenters included: Ian Johnson, Rod Aistrop, Liz Pattison, Jim Gasson, Rosemary Kelly, Janine Brundle, Mary Ramsay, Dom Williams, Will Eddows, David Rees, Robbie Allen, Robert De Jong and President Don.**

Our poets captured the audience through both their professionalism and sincerity in sharing some personal feelings through their choice of poem. Liz Pattinson and Jim Gasson’s presentation earned special mention for embracing their audience.

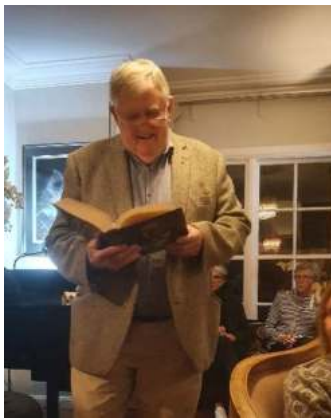
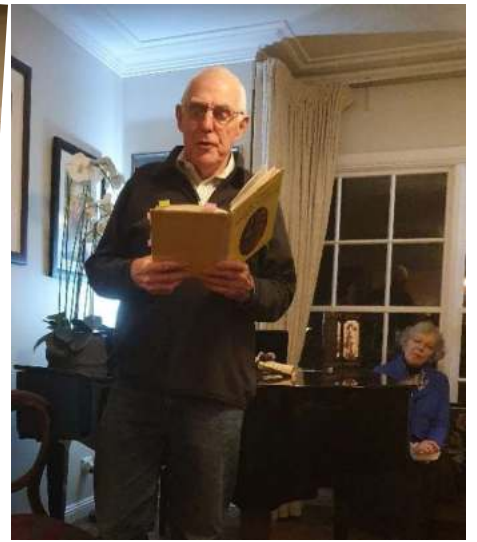
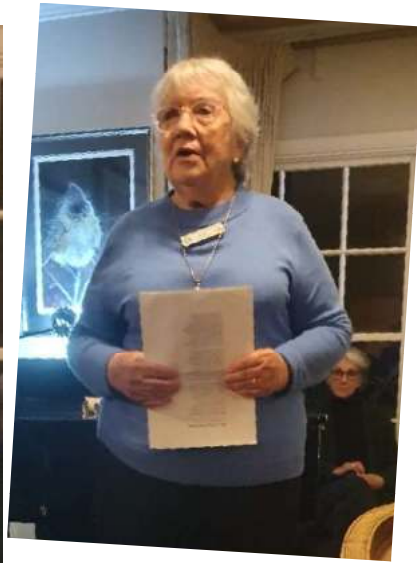
There was no Raffle and no Sargeant’s Session and the enjoyment of the evening kept members away from the formalities.

President Don thanked **Rosemary Kelly, Denise Coad, Robbie Allen, Mary Ramsay** and all ladies who assisted in the kitchen and he recognised all Club members for their exceptional contribution to the meal and ultimately the evening’s success.

**A special thank you to Robbie for inviting us to your lovely home.**

# Gallery





## News from Japan.



Yesterday my host family and I embarked on a mission to see the Great Buddha (and a lot of deers!) at Nara along with a few side trips too! It wasn't too long of a drive and we arrived at the park relatively quickly. The Todai-ji Daibutsuden (Great Buddha Hall) is a large temple surrounded by a beautiful park. The major buildings were extremely huge too!!! There were many deer along the huge paths who seemed to be really hungry! After getting my jacket bit by one, we decided it was time to stop feeding them and proceed to the huge gates that awaited us.

Once we passed admission and were allowed into the central courtyard, the huge hall stood tall not too far away allowing us to grab so many beautiful photos!

Inside the hall was a huge statue of Buddha and some other smaller beautiful statues as well! There was even this large pillar that had a hole through it that represented the Buddha's nostril! I managed to crawl through it after a bit of squeezing!

Then we visited a shopping mall, a mini zoo and lastly a temple to give a donation. Yesterday was an amazing day and I was glad I was able to see another Japanese national heritage site!!!

## The Funnies

**I DID A PUSH-UP TODAY.**



WELL, ACTUALLY  
I FELL DOWN, BUT  
I HAD TO USE MY  
MY ARMS TO GET  
BACK UP, SO ...  
CLOSE ENOUGH

**NOW I NEED CHOCOLATE**



me: what do you know about atoms?

friend: very little

me: besides that