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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

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
30 April	Bowral Bowling Club	Ian Mander brain tumour survivor	David McCosh	Ian Donges
7 May	Bowral Bowling Club	Lucy Earl, Uniting Church.	Ian Langford	Will Eddowes
14 May	Bowral Bowling Club	Member Talk David Patton and Interactors	Pamela Brown	Trevor Fair
17 May	Imperial Hotel	Birthday Pizza gathering	NA	NA
21 May	Robbie's house	Poetry night	Bob Miller	Ian Johnson
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	Ian Law
4 June	Bowral Bowling Club			Paul Leotta
11 June	Bowral Bowling Club			Bob Miller
18 June	Annesley			David Rees

25 June	Bowral Bowling Club			Bruce Sutton
2 July	Annesley	Club Changeover Function	Trevor Fair	
13 Sept- 30 Sept	Tulip Time 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	

MEMBERS, CAN I HAVE DATES FOR THE CALENDAR PLEASE. Tim

Have you seen this months edition of the district newsletter. CHECK IT OUT HERE

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Tulip Times 23 April



R od introduced himself as stand in Sergeant and warned all that he needed some fines.

Tonight's agenda is a Club Assembly. Please keep your contributions concise.

International Toast - Robert de Jongh

Today, the 23rd of April is an auspicious day. It is Saint George's Day which commemorates the accepted date of the saint's death during the Great Persecution of

Christians under the rule of the Roman Emperor Diocletian in 303 CE. Saint George is considered the patron saint of knights, soldiers, scouts, fencers and archers.



The 23rd of April is also the date of birth of William Shakespeare in Stratford-upon-Avon in 1564 and coincidentally is also the date of Shakespeare's death in Stratford-upon-Avon, at the age of 52, in 1616.

The Rotary Club of Stratford-upon-Avon was chartered on 25th February 1928 and is in District 1060 which covers over 50 clubs in the heart of England. The club has 48 members under the leadership of President David Taylor.

The main fundraising event for the club is the Shakespeare Marathon which was held last Sunday and also includes 5km, 10km and half marathon distances. This has been an annual event for some 30 years.

Other fundraising activities include pub quizzes, an annual rubber duck race down the River Avon and an annual golf day.

Apart from local charities the club also supports Riding for the Disabled, the Local Food Bank, First Responders as well as periodically collecting refuse from the Avon River and the Stratford-upon-Avon Canal from the deck of the SWEEP narrowboat.

Please be upstanding and toast the President and Members of the Rotary Club of Stratford-upon-Avon.

Ian Langford proposed a toast to absent friends including Sue Langford, who was born on St Georges Day.





President Don

Tonight is an opportunity to speak up, provide comment on aims and objectives for the Club.

Tulip Time and Food & Wine Festival is over the September / October season and could potentially make \$25k. A plea to all members, partners and friends to assist with this major project.

Rosemary Kelly - Poetry session - looking for 8 orators to talk on the 15th May.

Please bring a plate 6 for 6:30. Check with Rosemary regarding the contribution to ensure there are not 20 cheese platters.

Leigh - The Rotary Foundation - As a chartered club it is important to ensure that our club makes a contribution to International Projects.

Club Assembly

President Don kicked off comment by stating that 80 % of the work is done by 20% of the members.

Tony Glenn - Using the International Toast [reparation and delivery as an example sharing the work load is going well.

Rosemary Kelly - Everyone can do a couple of shifts to share the load. Especially Tulip Time if members can do every other day it will assist with rostering. It is also an opportunity to get to know members better.

Denise - longer shifts are more difficult so please look to find a buddy. Ian L advised that the roster will have maximum shift lengths of 3.5 hours.

Tim - There are several gates where it may be possible to sit rather than stand for the shift, so those less able please allocate yourselves to these locations.

Community Projects – Tim suggested an exercise trail around newer suburbs is a possible suggestion. The trail would be a permanent Add for our Rotary club. Tim suggested we should look at the feasibility.

Leigh - Some clubs do a great number of projects, with a big input from all members.

David McCosh - What are the needs of the community?

Bulletin Journalists - It is a struggle to find scribes to assist with the preparation of the Bulletin. Please contact Tim if you can do shift every 6th week.

Tim - Most of our projects are invisible, and therefore Rotary does not get proper recognition for the effort.

Leigh - Rear car window web address signage is available from Leigh.

Denise - Rotary at Work vests is a way of promoting Rotary.

Ian Langford - Car boot sales - Maybe it is possible to reinvigorate this project as a way to promote Rotary as well as fundraising.



Bob Miller

- If we look at the hours, age of members etc we have the capabilities to accept jobs which complement our skills and capabilities.
- We need to evaluate which projects we should take on for money and recognition.
- Cannot rely on external organisations to promote our causes.
- From the other end are the benefactors the right causes, do they promote Rotary?

- The leadership of the Club needs to evaluate programs, in our region etc.
- Before the Changeover we need to find Directors for all key positions. Please all members consider where they can contribute.

Ian Langford - Recognition with the S&E challenge with 500 students which touches thousands of Individuals.

Don - Overseas trips costs Rotary nothing with regard to travel, only materials relating to the job.

Tim - Why not send the kids home with a Rotary flyer from the S&E Challenge.

Vanessa - students can busk for an hour week to raise money and to hand out flyers. Vanessa also donated her partners time to produce a promotional video.

Ian Langford - Food & Wine - Council is expecting Rotary to manage the Food & Wine Festival.

Ian Law - Bob's comments resonated with previous Club experiences. Need to look outside the box in promoting Rotary activities.

Will Eddowes - There is a big gap between November and MUNA. There is scope for more initiatives to fill the time gap. The public recognise the input of Rotary to international projects, especially in the Pacific.

While we are getting older it is possible to enlist younger community members to assist in physical projects. Komatsu are supporting S&E challenge. This maybe an opportunity to link with their workforce.

Rotary promotion in the community - used to publish an article in the newspaper. President Don speaks on the Radio regularly. Many of the projects get press coverage.

Louie - First step is to enjoy Rotary and then secondly take on projects.

Leigh - Rotary is a community organisation.

Denise - Look at our website - there is 4 years of bulletins available to read.

Bob - looking to allocate skills to suitable members.

Key Take Aways

Think outside the Box

Project Promotion

Raffle:

Won by David Rees - 2 Diamonds

BIRTHDAYS

April: Don Graham 9/4, Janine Brundle 13/4, Pamela Brown 29/4.

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

The Gallery



Who said we don't have Fun

The week that was

Check out what Leigh has been doing with old phones. See next page.

If you have an old phone give it to Leigh and help make a difference to those in DV situations. One more death is one too many.

News from Japan.



Yuna Uemura, our inbound exchange student from Japan has sent us a photo. Yuna should arrive in July/August and will be staying with Ashers parents as her first host family. However, members will be expected to help out by taking Yuna for a meal, an outing, a weekend etc to help spread the hosting load

Because every call for help should be heard

DV Safe Phone collects, repairs and gives free mobile phones to domestic violence survivors, through over 350 Domestic Violence and Law Enforcement Agencies, Safe Houses and Hospitals Australia -wide.



If you have an unused mobile phone (hopefully with the charger) it can be collected

Bowral-Mittagong Rotarian, Leigh Robinson, handing over safe Phones to Trish O'Brien of the Crime Prevention Unit at Moss Vale police Station



and utilised in emergency DV situations.

Once collected the phones are physically cleaned and cleared of data before being distributed to outlets such as Police Stations. Funding for these phones comes from diverse sources, particularly from Rotary Clubs and donations, large and small - \$75 funds SIM cards, \$250 funds cleaning and repair by specialist technicians and \$500 will pay for replacement parts and screens.

Bowral-Mittagong RC recently located several phones with the DV officer at Moss Vale Police Station. In the event of a domestic violence victim unexpectedly leaving their home, they can be issued a mobile phone with a number that no one else knows. This gives them a level of communication security that they would not have with their previous phone.

Further information on donating your old phone contact Jane Whitten (Blayney RC 0419 623 293) or Leigh Robinson (Bowral-Mittagong RC 0418 400090).

The Funnies (courtesy of Bungendore RC)

