



Tulip Times

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

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President: Linda Knight 0418 126 240

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Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30

Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway

Mittagong NSW 2575

Visiting Rotarians	Ian Johnson – RC KC, Ross Craig – RC MV, Grahame Jones – RC KC	
Guests	Rens Traets, John Elder	
Next meetings....	30 August, 2016	6 September, 2016
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Program	RYE – Rens Traets	
Speaker	Rens Traets	
Intro/Vote of Thanks	David Rees	
Dinner Fees	Daryl Flegg	Tony Glenn
Journalist		Trevor Fair
Regalia	Will Eddowes	Jim Gasson

If you are unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Trevor Fair by email trevorf@oxleypartners.com.au

Journalist: Trevor Fair

President Linda proposed a toast to Rotary International.

The International Toast was proposed by Paul Stevens-King

Last Saturday, 20th August was St. Stephens Day, the National Day of Hungary honouring the first King when Hungary was founded in the 9th Century, AD.

The country was a kingdom for nearly 1000 years until incorporated by the Hapsburgs and eventually became part of the Austro-Hungarian Empire.

After the Second World War it came under the control of the Soviet Union but re-emerged as an independent Republic in 1989 and is now home to 10 million people.

Rotary began in Budapest in 1926, was suspended in 1942 but with freedom was quickly re-established in 1989. There are now 45 Clubs in Hungary in District 1911.

Sopron is a city of 34 000 in a wine region in the far west of Hungary, just south of Vienna.

The Rotary Club of Sopron was chartered in 1991 and has 31 Members under the leadership of President Attila Fersch.

Over its life the club has given over a million dollars to projects and charities including the Rotary Foundation.

Sopron, Hungary



Rens provided a brief update on his activities to date.

- Last weekend caught up with the inbounds and outbounds. Went for a swim however several guys were caught in a rip and required hospital treatment.
- Also visited a waterfall, Tuross Heads, beaches, Sydney Harbour Bridge, Opera House, Zoo, Madame Tussards,

- Looking at models when some small Chinese visitors asked for a photo as he was so tall.

Rens honing his skills for next week



Announcements

Graham Hicks - Canberra Sunrise invited him back to celebrate 20 years of MUNA. Oxley College performed very well.

Lynton Kettle - While in Vanuatu Ray Coulton celebrated his birthday and bought everyone a drink. As today is Ian Cropper's birthday we are expecting the same treatment.

The RC of Nice, France below forwarded a response from President Manuel Mayer

Dear Linda,

First of all, I would like, on behalf of our club, to apologize for this very late answer. However your message was communicated to our Club members directly when received.

Thank you for your kind message to all our Club members.

Nice citizens have been very hurt, traces of this 14th of July night will remain probably for ever in our memories, as the killed people will remain in our prayers.

Send our best regards to your Club members and thanks to all of them for your thoughts and friendship

Yours in Rotary fellowship,

Manuel Mayer
Président Rotary Club de Nice 2016-2017

Club Assembly

President Linda with help of Don Graham efficiently managed the following issues.

1. Frequency of Club meetings

Arguments for fortnightly meetings included

- Past experiences in other clubs.
- Attendance is not the current Rotary focus, engagement is the key to a successful club
- Less strain on finding guest speakers

Arguments in support of retaining weekly meetings included

- Newer members will miss the engagement with the club
- If a member misses 1 meeting they will go a month without engaging with the club.
- There is no obligation to attend weekly, there is currently a choice to attend fortnightly.
- Other clubs are currently trialing fortnight meetings. Assess their findings.
- Needs to be a consideration for the venue and caterers – fortnightly meetings may jeopardize venue
- Some members look forward to attending Rotary weekly

Outcome – Show of hands indicated approx. 70% of members were in favour of keeping meetings weekly.

2. Meeting Procedures

Comments from the floor included:

- Too many guest speakers,
- Include more member talks,
- Director reports to be included in Bulletin, not necessary to talk at meetings

- ### 3. New member \$500 Project Development Grant
- Purpose is to encourage newer members to become engaged with the Club and Community. The funding (or in kind) is seed funding to generate possible community projects.

Outcome – Membership agreed that the project should be promoted.

- ### 4. Community Projects must be submitted to Community Service Director.
- Purpose of this proposal is to ensure ALL projects are communicated to members and approved by the Board.

Outcome – Membership agreed to this proposal.

5. Money allocated to the Hospice

Comments from the floor included:

- Movie tickets were sold with the expectation that the funds were for the Hospice. The issue is not

whether the Hospice will proceed, however is ethical'

- Similar to the Newcastle earthquake – an Act of Parliament was required to utilize excess funds to another cause.
- Funding for the Harbison music program should not be an either / or issue. There is no reason why both projects could not both proceed.

6. GST exemption

Comments from the floor included:

- Government will not approve an exemption of GST.

7. Fundraising Ideas

Comments from the floor included:

- BBQ at Homehardware – could raise \$500-\$1000 per event
- Christmas raffle at Mittagong Marketplace

Members were requested to provide ideas and feedback on fundraising ideas.

8. Community Projects

Comments from the floor included:

- Challenge House will be seeking involvement from the community for painting, paving etc.

President Linda thanked Don for his assistance and reminded members of the following;

- Hayrun Dinner – October 1. Please join the Rotary table
- Tulip Time roster – please help to fill up
- District Conference – is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary.

Tulip Time iPad training will occur the next 2 weeks + special training sessions at Oxley Partners.

A reminder to the few members who have not paid their Club subs. You can either pay \$300 now for the 12 months or two payments of \$150, one now and the other on 1st January 2017.

Methods of payments:

On-Line electronic funds transfer (preferred option). ANZ Bank Rotary General Account, BSB 012 547, Account number 108573636. Reference should indicate your name followed by "subs". (e.g. "Ian L. Subs").

Cash or Cheque. Cheques should be made out to "Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong Inc." and can be given to the dinner fees collector at meetings. Cash can also be given to the dinner fees collector at meetings but please ensure that the collector marks their sheet with your name and the fact that it is for annual subs.



Wagga Wagga Organising Committee - PO Box 229 Wagga Wagga
Organising Club: Rotary Club of Wollundry - Wagga Wagga

August 2016

Dear Fellow Cricketing Rotarians, Partners and Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you all for a week of cricket in Wagga Wagga, NSW Australia for the Bi Annual IFCR Australian Festival, from Sunday the 16th to Friday 21st October 2016.



The Festival will be held at the Bolton Park Sportsground Complex in the centre of Wagga Wagga which has four cricket ovals. Robertson Oval is the premier oval and home to the Wagga Wagga and District Cricket Association. Facilities include an International sized cricket field, turf cricket pitch and turf practice wickets. The other three grounds, the Mark Taylor Oval, Geoff Lawson Oval and Michael Slater Oval are all located within the Bolton Park complex.

There are a dozen motels within walking distance of Bolton Park and the main street, with the main shopping centre, being only half a block away. You can obtain more details about our beautiful city and the Festival from our ifcrwagga2016.org.au website. This year, you can register online or download a form and register manually. Australian registrations close August 31st 2016.

Extensive planning and preparations are going into the Wagga Wagga Festival. We want to make it an enjoyable and a memorable occasion for you and your partner. Come along and be part of this great Rotary Cricket Fellowship. Wagga Wagga, being the largest inland city in New South Wales, has much to offer.

Yours in Rotary,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "David M L".

David Benn

Festival Chairman

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