

Secretary: Tony Glenn

Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30 Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway Mittagong NSW 2575

Visiting Rotarians		
Next meetings	Tuesday 3 rd October, 2017	No meeting on the 10 th
		Ten Pin Bowling 13th
Location	Highlands Golf Club	6:00pm Highlands Tenpin
	Old Hume Highway Mittagong	Highlands Hub, Mittagong
Program	Tulip Times Review	To bring home the trophy
Speaker	Trevor Fair	Jo Chalmers
Intro/Vote of Thanks		NA
Dinner Fees	Darryl Flegg	NA
Journalist		NA
Regalia	Robert De Jongh	NA

Welcome by President David

Guests welcomed included Kiara Beard, Rosemary & Alice Eddowes. big welcome back to all the travelers.

Invocation – PP Brian Elliott International Toast – Jo Chalmers



Our Team of workers will be leaving next Monday to spend the next two weeks working on the TB clinic in Tibar, just west of Dili in Timor Leste. Ray and Lynne Coulton are there at the moment.

East Timor was colonised by Portugal in the 16th Century and abandoned in late 1975 leaving the people impoverished, illiterate, with poor health and with a political, security and judicial vacuum.

Fretelin declared independence and 9 days later Indonesia took the opportunity to invade and occupy the country until 1999 when they left a wasteland of destruction behind them.

Now Timor Leste is free and the nation is struggling to re-establish infrastructure and improve their health and education with assistance from outside aid agencies including non-government organisations like Rotary and the **Ryder Cheshire Foundation**.

Back in July we toasted the new Rotary Club of Dili Lafaek when Libby Bleakley talked about her Learning Centre in Dili.

Tonight we toast the original Rotary Club of Dili Timor Lorosa'e, Chartered in 2002 in District 9550 which includes north Queensland and the Northern Territory.

President Stephen Judson leads 18 Members who will be holding a fund raising Charity Dinner on Saturday, 7th October - coinciding with our Team's visit. What good timing!

The Club also supports an accommodation project for regional students attending university in Dili.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jo Chalmers - Ten Pin Bowling Challenge

- Friday 13th 6:00 pm
- Dress up Theme Black Friday
- \$22 for 3 hrs of unlimited bowling
- Drinks at bar prices

Ian Langford – Tulip Time etc

- From a Gate point of view a great success no cancelled spots
- Food & Wine this weekend please check the roster
- Daylight Saving commences Sunday

David McCosh – Lift the lid (on mental health)

- RC Berrima District is running a BBQ on the weekend of 7th & 8th October at Bunnings.
 Raising awareness of mental health and TRF.
- Support by either helping, buying or assisting Rotary.

Will Eddowes - Vocational visits

- Searching for opportunities for visits
- Planning a visit to Frensham / Sturt Gallery with a possible lunch in the café.
- Would appreciate any ideas for potential visits

Rod Aistrope – Timor Leste visit

- Ten members are leaving next week
- Assisting with the renovation and extension of a TB clinic
- Funding from the Ryder-Cheshire Foundation

Guest Speaker – Will Eddowes

Topic – The Dig Tree



Will's presentation to the members was about the Burke and Will's expedition to the Gulf of Carpentaria and back. However, with some personal experiences gained by his own expedition to the Dig Tree in his (somewhat) reliable EH Holden.

The lads - san Will



The Dig Tree - Coopers Ck



Creek crossings were difficult – as Will was to find out several times. On the way out it was just the sand that slowed them down.



Will in the early 1970's – apologies for the image quality – it was the early 70's.



On the return trip – Will's mate thought there was a better way of getting across the creek – However may be not as the steering was slightly damaged. Will, however being an old Aussie bushman, used some fencing wire to keep it all together until it could be repaired properly.



Another memorable story from one of our interesting members – Thank you Will for the entertainment.



Joker Draw

Trevor had the lucky ticket and drew 4 Diamonds from the Deck.



Berrima Rotary are at Bunnings on the weekend of the 7th & 8th October promoting mental health and ARH.



Public Notices – For Interest Calendar of upcoming events

30 Sept – Bowral Rugby 7's – Eridge Park

30 Sep – 1 Oct – Food & Wine Festival, Corbett Gdns

13 Oct – SH Bowling Challenge

14 Oct – Opoberfest – Bowral Memorial Hall

15 Oct – Bowral Long Lunch, Centennial

22 Oct – Bowral Cycle Classic

27 Oct - Dream Cricket - Bowral, Bradman

28 May/ 29 May Science & Engineering Challenge

The Challenge is back on – Friday 13th Oct

If you would like to help our Club return the trophy to where it belongs, see Jo Chalmers for training schedule etc.

