

Report for Apr 5, 2022; Volume 83, No: 35 Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong

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Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta's theme for 2021-22,

Serve to change lives,

is urging members to become more involved in service projects, saying that caring for and serving other is the best way to live because it changes not only other people's lives, but also our own.

Future Events

April 12 - Bowral Bowling Club - Guest Speaker - Peter Gibson - Angel Flight

April 20 - Dormie House, Moss Vale - Joint Meeting Rotary Club of Moss Vale

April 26 - Bowral Bowling Club - Ian Law & Leigh Robinson - Rotary Environmental Initiative

April 29 - April Birthdays Pizza Lunch - Imperial Hotel

May 3 – Kookabar Café, Bowral

May 10 - Bowral Bowling Club - Appreciation Night - 10 Guests

*** Please Confirm by Sunday for Tuesday Night

Venue: Hendriks Cognac and Wine Bar, Mittagong

Journalist: Trevor Fair

Welcome: Sergeant Lynton welcomed everyone to Hendrik's, including Robyn Liberale. Welcome back Will, Leigh is keen to hand back the reins.

President Will feels well and felt like a leper. Blaming Qld for the Covid virus.

Invocation: Brian Pattinson

International Toast: Carolina Torregrosa

The **Republic of Senegal** was a European Colony from the 15th Century and French from 1677 until it was granted independence on 4th April, 1960 in a peaceful transfer of sovereignty.

Apart from a short period of separatist unrest in the south it has been apeaceful stable democracy ever since.

It is a poor nation of 16 million people with a low standard of living but is relatively safe and secure.



Senegal is in West Africa, bordered by Mauritania to the north east, Mali to the east and Guinea and Guinea-Bissau to the south. It wraps around The Gambia which follows the Gambia River inland.



Geography ranges from savannah grasslands in the south to warm desert in the north at the edge of the Sahara Desert.

The capital, **Dakar** is a city of 2.5 million on a small peninsular which is the most westerly point of the African continent.

There are 9 Rotary Clubs in Senegal mostly located in the capital.



One of those is the **Rotary Club Dakar Alizes** which is one of 95 Clubs in **District 9101** which covers 10 Countries in west Africa.

The Club was Chartered in 1982.

President Arnaud Seroy leads 28 Members who are actively involved in End Polio Now delivery. Senegal is polio free. Despite the ebola outbreaks in its neighbouring countries a few years back it managed to avoid the infection with effective health interventions.

In recognition of the Independence Day of Senegal yesterday would you please raise your glasses and toast the President and Members of Rotary Club Dakar Alizes.



Announcements:

Film Night - Thank you very much Mary for her efforts in generating interest in "The Duke". Approx profit \$1800 plus \$500 raffle.

Flood Donations: RAWCS are accepting donations. RCMV have made a direct donation to Lismore Rotary.

Ukraine Donations: Rotary are accepting donations, as is ShelterBox who are attempting to provide temporary housing.

Fly from Everest: Rotarian from Berry is attempting to paraglide from Everest to raise funds for End Polio Now! Seeking donations of \$100 from each Rotary Club or individual donations.

Facebook Training: 1st May Sunday Canberra.

MUNA: Ian Law's Committee is attempting to negotiate with Council regarding their participation, including technology. Currently have 9 teams, pruning resolutions to 10, and aiming to dispatch to schools this week. 28th May Saturday, at WSC Chambers. Gwenda co-ordinating catering, Robbie Allan co-ordinating Interact.

Science & Engineering Challenge: Ian Langford - 30th & 31st May. Primary schools are fully booked. High Schools currently have 4 schools, looking for 4 more to fill up. Seeking additional volunteers including Engineers Australia and Uniting Church. Will is seeking some support from Komatsu.

Shed at Boronia St: Brain Ritson is planned working bee on Saturday 23rd, to clear up outside.

Pop in: Will - As there is still some funds left over from the District grant, management is looking to install power in the Cabin. Awaiting guidelines from Pop In.

MVRC: Chief Inspector Brendan Burnie is speaking on "Fraud In The Highlands". Please book in with Roger Bayley if you would like to attend.

A gift of chocolates from Vinod Reddy (visiting Rotarian President – Rockdale Club) was given to Will, who sought a volunteer to distribute the confectionary amongst tonight's attendees.

Liberale Golf Day: Louie is aiming for mid May to early June to run the golf day. Early stages of planning, stay tuned.



Next week's meeting is at Bowral Bowling Club - Peter Gibson Angel Flight - Bowel Scan Kits are currently available for \$25.

Mittagong Medical Centre currently running free heart risk tests – includes an ECG, BMI and blood sugar level test.

Welfare:

Dom Williams - Faye Christie crashed off her bike, incurred multiple fractures of her hip. Still in BPH, however visiting is restricted.

Rosemary Kelly - David McCosh has been in hospital with sciatica. The Pepperfield welfare team has kicked in however Ria is away, so visits/calls would be appreciated.

Carolina Torregrosa - Ian Johnson is very excited as he will be back at Rotary in a couple of weeks, as he received his 3rd Covid vaccine this week.

Meal at Hendriks:

Entree included garlic bread and arancini balls with alternate sauces.

Made to order individual 11" pizza followed allowing socialising among members.



Sergeant Session:

Seating wedding plan setup- Will and Mary to pay.

Weather issues - Louie has arranged crates of wine to weather the storm.

Covid resistant - President Will.

President Elect training – Leigh

Waterbrook development - Rod has sunk some pier holes and has been paid.

MUNA - Ian Law and the WSC microphones

Pepperfield - Rosemary welfare director.

Birthday candles for Don Graham. Bought himself a new 4WD.

Rats at the shed - Brian Ritson has handed the vermin a key or two.

Raffle: Wine won by Lynton Kettle – no lucky draw bag available, please ensure Lynton gets a lucky dip opportunity at next meeting (even if he doesn't want to!!)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS - Please Donate

54-2021-22: NSW - Queensland Flood Relief Fund Distribution (RABS)

Description: To distribute donated funds to people affected by the floods in New South

Wales and Queensland.

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April Birthdays - Celebrate 29 April

Don Graham 9/4 Vicki Kelley 13/4 Brian Elliott 18/4



Photo from March Birthday lunch - Trevor