

# TULIP TIMES BULLETIN

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## Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong



District 9705, Chartered 26 March 1940.

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Robbie Allen  
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Leigh Robinson – Secretary  
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Robert de Jongh  
Rod Aistrophe  
Rosemary Kelly

### Club Meetings: Attendance & Apologies

Weekly on Tuesdays, 6.00pm for 6.30pm at [Highlands Golf Club](#). (See below)

**Contact:** LEIGH ROBINSON of your attendance or apologies

**Deadline is noon Friday.** M: 0418 400 090 email: [leigh@lrcoach.com.au](mailto:leigh@lrcoach.com.au)

Please be considerate and respond. Unannounced members and guests may miss out on a meal.

## Calendar

Date	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist	Invocation & International Toast
12 Aug	Highlands Golf Club		Barbara Humphries	
16-17 Aug	Annesley	MHFA Youth Course		
19 Aug	Highlands Golf Club	Chief Inspector Brendan Burnie MV Police	Ian Law	
26 Aug	Highlands Golf Club		Steve Escott	
28 Aug	Empire Cinema	Movie Night – Chariots of Fire		
5 Sept	Imperial Pizza Lunch	From 12 noon		
12 <sup>th</sup> Sept to 6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Corbet Gardens	Tulip Time Festival		

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14 Oct	Highlands Golf Club	Rotary Hat Day	Ian Law	
19 Oct	Bowral	Bowral Cycle Classic		
20 Nov	Bong Bong	Social meeting in lieu of Tuesday 18th		
21 Nov	Bong Bong Picnic Racecourse	Bong Bong Picnic Races		
2 Dec	Bowral Bowling Club	AGM	Leigh Robinson	

**Rotary Meeting 05 August 2025**

**JOURNALIST – Denise Coad**

**SERGEANT – Lynton Kettle**

**BULLETIN EDITOR – Trevor Fair**

**VENUE – Highlands Golf Club**

Sergeant Lynton Kettle opened our second Meeting at our new Venue.

Bowral High School Interact Members – Chloe Ward leading the Team of Meg Paviour, Henry Rees and Michael Tonkinson talking about their PFAS Project.

Their presentation won the “Teamwork Award” which was one of five awards.



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**President Robbie Allen** welcomed all again to our new Venue.

Welcome Mary Ramsay

## **Announcements:**

Jim Gasson is not feeling well.

No PCYC “Fit for Life” for the next two weeks.

Ian Donges has brought along lemons.

## **David McCosh – International Toast.**

Within the Rotary International calendar, the month of August 2025 is dedicated to Rotaract and Youth Service.

Tonight, I will ask you to raise a glass in honour of a truly extraordinary group of young Ukrainian Leaders” the members of the Rotaract Club of Kyiv City.

When the full-scale invasion of Ukraine began, the world watched in horror. We saw cities under siege; families displaced and lives shattered. But amid the chaos we also witnessed incredible courage and resilience. And the heart of Kyiv, a group of young Rotaractors did not hesitate. They did not retreat. They answered the call to service with a selflessness that embodies the very best of Rotary.

The Rotaract Club of Kyiv City transformed from a community service organisation into a lifeline. They became logistical experts, coordinating the distribution of food, water, and essential medicines to those in desperate need. They worked tirelessly to organise shelter for the internally displaced, to secure medical supplies for hospitals, and to provide support to the most vulnerable. They leveraged their global network; a testament to the Rotaract family, to bring aid into their country and to ensure it reached its destination.

Their efforts are not just a demonstration of service; they are a powerful symbol of hope. They remind us that even in the face of the greatest adversity, the spirit of humanity and the unwavering commitment to “Service Above Self” will prevail.

So today, we stand in solidarity with them. We honour their bravery, their dedication, and their profound impact on their community.



Members of the Rotaract Club of Kyiv City

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## **Dinner Served – Beef Poke Bowl**

For our Foodies:

The correct pronunciation of "poke" in poke bowl is "POH-kay."

**Rosemary Kelly** visited the Glenquarry site for next week's BBQ with Robert de Jongh. David Rees and Robert will be the cooks. Robbie and Rosemary will be serving.

## **Visit to NSW Parliament House:**

Judy Hannan MP would be delighted to host members of the Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong for a visit to NSW Parliament House. The visit can include attending Question Time, a guided tour, and a luncheon with Judy.

It will be a great opportunity to discuss local issues, share information with members, and provide direct feedback that Judy uses to inform her policy work. It's all about ensuring the voices of the Wollondilly community are heard in the parliamentary process.

The visit will be on Wednesday, October 22. It is limited to 20 Members – first in first served. We will travel by train.

## **Rod Aistrophe S&E Challenge- SthnTablelands**

Eight Members went to Goulburn to assist with the Science and Engineering Challenge. It was a great Day.



We had 7 schools from Yass, Crookwell, Boorowa, Harden-Murrumburrah and 3 from Goulburn with about 210 Year 10 students taking part.

Another exceptional day providing practical experiences in science and maths with the aim of having the kids choose the STEM stream for their HSC years ready for engineering and science careers.

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We raised sufficient funding from grants from Goulburn-Mulwaree Council, Goulburn Workers Club and the Veolia Trust and sponsorship from Engineers Australia, Gunlake Quarries, Divall's Earthmoving and the Bialla Wind Farm to cover all of the costs including busses and food for the students with enough to send a student or two to the National Summer Science School.

The winning school was Yass High School who will go on to the State Final. Thanks to all who volunteered the time to help make it yet another successful Challenge event.

## **The RAWCS Vanuatu Trip**

The trip is scheduled to occur between October 5 to October 19.

Arrangements for the RAWCS trip to build classrooms at Maliata Primary School on the north coast of Efate Island, the home island of Vanuatu in October continue.

We have been awarded a District Foundation Grant \$3,650 towards the project to go with the \$3,375 already received from last year's grant which has been spent on materials for the floor, footings and block walls already erected.

It is planned to leave on Sunday, 5 Oct and return on Sunday, 19 Oct 25 however some adjustment by a day or two may be made to get some of our bodies back in time to help with the Bowral Cycle Classic also on the 19th. We will see how it works out.

Detailed arrangements will be available for circulation in a few days so that Members can decide to take part. If you are interested in going on this really enjoyable trip and working on this worthwhile project please email me and I will see that you get the details for your consideration.

## **Mary Ramsay**

**Cycle Classic** Mary thanked Members for their response to the Marshalling Roster.

**Movie Night 28 August – Chariots of Fire** – A reminder for members to get their tickets for the Movie Night on August 28<sup>th</sup> August – 6:00pm for 6:30 start.

## **Bob Miller**

**Cycle Classic BBQ** – Bob will be organising the Bowral Classic BBQ Roster for October 19.

He and Mary have separate responsibilities for the Event.



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## **Guest Speaker – Ian Johnson**



His Member talk is about his 4+ week Holiday catching up with Family and Friends.

### **CYCLE TOUR ALONG THE DANUBE — WEIN TO BUDAPEST 7TH TO 11TH OF JULY**

I have recently returned from Austria. I had an amazing holiday with both of my daughters and their families. As well as this I was part of a cycle ride along the side of the Danube.

The first stage was some time at Lake Attersee, in Austria, with Lucinda, my daughter & her family.

The next was two nights at Hotel B & B in Wein, close to the Museum Quarter.

I was with my two daughters, Amber & Lucinda. We visited the Museum Quarter, Art Galleries, Loos American Bar, palaces & of course consumed great food & ice cream.

My daughters then returned to their families. I then meet with our cycle tour leader, Astrid & the other six members of our cycle tour. We were given a briefing by Astrid on what to expect on our ride. We stayed Sunday night, 6th July at the Mozart Hotel. Astrid was our Dutch guide from Intrepid Travel.

The next morning, Sunday 7th July we were fitted with our bikes, ready for a morning ride to the centre of Wein. I should add that these bikes were not Electric bikes. However they were new Trek bikes with 10 gears. The ride was to be along fairly flat bike paths, beside the Danube. The bike path was mostly on top of the dyke (levy bank), alongside the Danube.

Our Sunday morning ride was very enlightening. We rode through the Palace square & back lane ways. Surely the way to go, instead of walking. However it rained a little.

The morning of Monday 7th was our first stage of the ride. Rain persisted & was to follow us for the first three days. Our cycling group was made up of four New Zealanders, one UK, one US. That made eight in our Peloton, including our intrepid Dutch guide, Astrid. Of course when Astrid asked if we wished to go in the following van, due to the rain. Naturally we said no. We were quite used to tough conditions & we to were quite Intrepid to.

We would stop for our morning coffee break at cafes along the way, or our following van would have refreshments. On a number of occasions, we crossed over the Danube, which put us in Hungary. Coffee ordering here was interesting as none of us spoke the language. Certainly in our Hungarian coffee shop, they did not speak English, or understand other language.

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Our first stop was Bratislava. Other cities during the week were, Gyor, Komarom, Esztergom & finally Budapest. The hotels we stayed in were very comfortable. During the course of the week the hotel rooms became larger.



Budapest



Lake Attersee

When we arrived in Budapest one Friday 11th, in the afternoon, we said goodbye to our bikes. We had a final dinner together, enjoying typical Hungarian food.

On Saturday I had a enjoyable walk around Budapest, visiting amongst other sites, the House of Terror. This building was now a museum regarding the years from 1918 to the end of the Soviet occupation in 1991. In that time, the first was the Arrow cross Nazis, WW2 Nazis & lastly the Soviets.

I then stayed one more night in Budapest. Next morning I flew from Budapest to Copenhagen. I then crossed the Oresund Bridge, across the Baltic Sea & arriving in Sweden at Malmo. I meet by a friend of mine, Marle. Marle & Arne & their boys Magnus & Linus, owned a house in the countryside, surrounded by beautiful forest.

I spent two nights with them before flying back to Salzburg, Austria. I spent the rest of my holiday, at Lake Attersee with my daughter Lucinda & Family

No Raffle – Graham ill with the Flue

Tim Tam Quiz – Ian Donges

Leigh Robinson – Arthur Upfield, Australian Author.

Sergeant Fine Session



Ian Johnson – Travels  
Don Graham – Fencing  
Rosemary Kelly – British Extraction

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Robert de Jongh Joke of the Day

Barcodes in Ships

President Robbie Allan

Trevor Fair is in Tamworth for his father's 95<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Tony Glenn is back in hospital, but should be home tomorrow.

Robbie closed the Meeting.

## **ROTARY CLUB OF BOWRAL-MITTAGONG PRESENTS A COMMUNITY SCREENING OF**



**THURSDAY AUGUST 28**

**6:00 - 6:30PM**

**ALL TICKETS \$30**

*(includes light refreshments)*

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## *Birthdays*

### **Aug Birthdays:**

6 Aug - Ray Coulton  
18 Aug – Ian Donges  
23 Aug – Ian Cropper  
24 Aug – Dawn Simpson  
25 Aug – Michael Lendrum  
25 Aug – Beverley Coffey\*

### **Sept Birthdays:**

14 Sept – Trevor Fair  
16 Sept – Lynton Kettle  
17 Sept – Graham Hicks  
17 Sept - Bob Miller  
19 Sept – Ken Adams  
23 Sept – Tim Bowland  
28 Sept – David Rees

## *Photo Gallery*



Shelterbag on display  
at WSC Foyer



Students competing at the recent Sthn Tablelands  
Science & Engineering Challenge

## *Quote of the week*

*"Once you replace negative thoughts with positive ones, you'll start having positive results." — Willie Nelson*

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*Can you help out here?*



**Bring in your old laptops and phone (with Chargers) so they can be recycled to help our domestic violence campaign.**

*Also, Bring in some items each week to add to the Uniting Church basket*

*Non Perishable food, Toiletries ETC*

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