



Tulip Times

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

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Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30

***Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway
Mittagong NSW 2575***

Visiting Rotarians		
Guests	Tom Parkinson - Facilitator	
Next meetings....	Tuesday 14th March 2017	Tuesday 21st March 2017
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Program	Jim Harrison – St Pat's Theme	Warragul House – Music for Dementia
Speaker	Jim Harrison	Vernia Blundell
Intro/Vote of Thanks	Jim Harrison	Gerry Kroon / Rosemary Kelly
Dinner Fees	Simon Knight	Cathy Hussey
Journalist	Trevor Fair	Michael Lendrum
Regalia	Rosemary Kelly	John Hoelle

Club Assembly

President Linda welcomed all to The Mill, our venue for the 3rd Qtr Club Assembly. Linda introduced Tom Parkinson who would act as Facilitator for the evening.



International Toast – Rod Aistrope

(Interesting that there were no difficult pronouncements).

The movement for recognition of women's rights and equality began during the 19th Century with women in the Isle of Mann being the first to gain voting rights. New Zealand followed in 1893 and South Australia recognised women's right to vote and stand for election in 1894 - progressive place, Adelaide.

But that was slow in spreading. On 8th March, 1914 Sylvia Pankhurst, daughter of Emily Pankhurst was arrested on her way to address a Suffragette Rally in Trafalgar Square in London. That was on the First International Women's Day.

On 8th March, 1917 female textile workers in St Petersburg went on strike on International Women's Day arousing support from the wider workers unions when they were attacked by police, the uprising precipitating the Russian Revolution.

There is some contention as to the importance of the date of those events but never-the-less tomorrow, the 8th of March is **International Women's Day** adopted by the United Nations in 1977 as a day recognising women's rights and world peace but much more on the road to respect and economic, political and social equality.

In case anyone is concerned that men don't get fair recognition, some would say that every day is men's day but officially there is a United Nations designated International Men's Day celebrated on 19th November each year. We might have a toast to blokes later in the year.

In 2017 the day is dedicated to *Women in the Changing World of Work - Planet 50:50 by 2030*.

This year our Club celebrates 10 years of welcoming women into Rotary and we now have 27% female membership. We still have some way to go but we are heading in the right direction.

Our Club and Rotary International has benefitted hugely by including women in numbers, attitudes and perspectives. It is a much better Club now than when I joined it in 1999.



Assembly Agenda

1. Foundation Donation of \$5,000

Motion: That the Club make a donation of \$5,000 to Rotary Foundation. Moved by majority vote after numerous members spoke for and against the motion.

2. Club Runner usage for personal expressions.

It was agreed that members are expected to abide by common standards including the 4 Way Test.

Motion: That no further action is required – Carried

3. Membership numbers and resignation notification to members.

Motion: That members be advised of member resignations – Carried

4. Why does the Club no longer have committees?

General discussion – no motion.

Several agenda items were deferred until next meeting due to time restrictions.

Facilitator Tom



Brewery vista



Too many choices Simon?



Jacob – Eden Brewery

