



# HORIZONS



**Rotary - Central Blue Mountains**

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, October 18, 2017



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**REMOVAL DAY**

## Love where we live!

*Saturday 28 October*  
*Sunday 29 October*

Contact Tom Colless 4780 1100 - [tc@colless.com.au](mailto:tc@colless.com.au) - if you can assist for just a couple of hours on either day. Your help would be much appreciated.

# Rotary

Central Blue Mountains



## WhatsOn....

**Wednesday 18** - Club assembly

**Tuesday 24** - Polio donation collection  
World Polio Day

**Wednesday 25** - Guest speaker to be advised

**Saturday 28 - Sunday 29** - Graffiti Removal

## November

**Wednesday 01** - Guest speaker to be advised

**Friday 03** - Twilight Market - Faulconbridge

**Saturday 04** - Trifecta ticket sales - Leura Mall

**Wednesday 08** - Guest speaker to be advised

**Friday 10** - NSW Police Officer of the Year awards

**Sunday 12** - Grand View Market

**Wednesday 15** - Guest speaker to be advised

**Monday 20** - Rotary Foundation Dinner

**Wednesday 22** - Club Assembly

**Sunday 26** - Special Olympics Dream Ride event

**Wednesday 29** - Guest speaker to be advised

# Rotary District 9685 Conference

March 10 and 11, 2018 - Fairmont Resort, Leura NSW



[conference.rotarydistrict9685.org.au](http://conference.rotarydistrict9685.org.au)

**Full Registration (incl. Saturday, Dinner and Sunday) – \$280** includes all Conference sessions (incl. Saturday morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea, Dinner and Sunday morning tea).

**EARLY BIRD RATE – \$265 for Full Registration – register and pay before 30 November 2017.**

**Saturday (Day Only) – \$100**

Registration for the Plenary sessions includes the Conference plenary sessions on Saturday only (incl. morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea). Does NOT include any other sessions or events.

**Saturday (Day and Dinner) – \$200**

Registration for the Saturday Plenary sessions and Dinner includes the Conference plenary sessions on Saturday only (incl. morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea) and Saturday Dinner. Does NOT include other sessions or events.

**Saturday (Dinner Only) – \$110**

Registration for the Saturday Dinner includes Saturday Dinner. ONLY Does NOT include any other sessions, catering or events.

**New Rotarians, joining Rotary on or after 11 March 2017 in District 9685. - Full Conference – \$190** Includes all Conference sessions (incl. Saturday morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea, Dinner and Sunday morning tea).

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# CBM Rotary Hat Night

## Oct. 11, 2017



*Photographs:  
Vivianne Byrnes  
and Jennifer Scott*





# Women in Rotary



It's now 30 years since the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that Rotary clubs may not exclude women from membership on the basis of gender.

That was on May 4, 1987, and what a tremendous difference that ruling has made to our organisation.

The number of women Rotarians across the world has grown dramatically over that period and given life to thousands of male dominated Rotary clubs that may not have survived.

*Source: Rotary International and CBM archives*

At its first meeting after the 1987 U.S. Supreme Court decision, the Council on Legislation voted to eliminate the requirement in the RI Constitution that membership in Rotary clubs be limited to men.

Women were welcomed into Rotary clubs around the world, and as of June, 1990, there were about 20,200 female Rotarians worldwide.

In July, 1995, eight women become district governors and in 2005, Carolyn E. Jones began her term as the first woman appointed as trustee of The Rotary Foundation.

Since then women have secured top positions within Rotary International, but to this date we have yet to see a woman take the role of R.I. President....It will happen.

Here at Central Blue Mountains Rotary we were a little slow to start the procedure of inviting women to become members.

It was in the 1990s that Susan Samson, a Rotarian from New Zealand was invited to join, changing the way this club behaved and operated.

Several women followed as members, and in 2000-2001 Glenda Grice became our first woman president, followed by Jennifer Scott (2001-2002), Jennifer was also District Governor 9690 in 2007-2008, Margaret Bradshaw-Jones (2004-2005), Pamela Williams (2005-2006), Judy Kell (2008-2009), and Roza Sage (2017-2018).

Central Blue Mountains Rotary can now boast as having 12 women Rotarians, more than 25% of the membership, whose contribution to the club and to Rotary generally is outstanding ....long may it continue.



*CBM Rotarians: Karen Sullivan, Julie Madgwick, Ava Emdin, Pamela Williams and Vivianne Byrnes.*

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# What other Rotary clubs are doing

## Police Officer of the Year awards


The Rotary Club of Sydney is proud to host the 8th Annual Awards for the NSW Police Force to give state-wide community recognition for excellence in Police service to officers and unsworn employees throughout NSW.

This year as last, nominations for the customer service award were made by the general public and Rotarians.

The event will bring together the local winners from all over the state. Together with their colleagues we will come together to celebrate the hard work and outstanding achievements of officers, volunteers and civilian employees for excellence in Police service throughout NSW.

Tickets still only \$95 per person

The Rotary Clubs of NSW 2017 Police Officer of the Year Awards proudly supports Police Legacy and The Rotary Foundation. Funds raised from the evening will be donated to the supported charities.



**The Rotary Foundation**

Sydney Districts 9675 & 9685

**An Invitation to the  
Rotary Foundation Dinner**

**Blacktown Workers Club**

**55 Campbell St**

**Blacktown, 2148**

**20 November, 2017**

**6:30PM**

*For further details and booking arrangements please  
contact: [ian@scottadr.com](mailto:ian@scottadr.com) - 0402 217 915*

**Keynote speaker at the Foundation  
Dinner is Canadian Rotarian  
Jennifer Jones**

Jennifer is the President and CEO of Media Street Productions Inc., an award-winning television production company in Windsor, ON. She is proud member of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland and is a Past District Governor of District 6400.

## Lower Blue Charity Movie Night

Lower Blue Mountains Rotary is having another charity movie night at Glenbook Cinema, November 8.

They have secured a premiere screening of Agatha Christie's "Murder on the Orient Express" before it opens in cinemas around the world on November 10.

This new feature film adaptation is directed by BAFTA Award winning director Kenneth Branagh who also takes on the role of Christie's fictional sleuth, Hercule Poirot.

The all-star cast includes Judi Dench and Johnny Depp.

Not to be missed at \$20 per person, including supper. Bookings available now: 0430 433 717.

## Walk to End Polio

Springwood, Penrith and Lower Blue Mountains Rotary clubs will create publicity for Rotary by having a massive walk on Sunday, October 22 to highlight the message of END POLIO NOW.

Springwood Rotary members, along with Rotarians from clubs on both sides of the Nepean River, will all wear bright red END POLIO NOW t-shirts to emphasis the message.

The walk finishes in a park area at Penrith, adjacent to where the Nepean Belle Paddle steamer is moored.

## Qld Rotary Duck Race

Kingscliff Rotary club (Qld) has organised a "Duck Race" on nearby Cudgen Creek - October 22 - a fun day of racing rubber ducks, jumping castles, food trucks and animals.

Organiser Jayne Henry said the fundraiser would help improve the park's infrastructure.

"What money we raise is put back into the Rotary Park at Cudgen Creek," Ms Henry said.

"We've put in showers and seating and we work with council to put in basic infrastructure for families to use. We're looking forward to having a community consultation process on the day to see what people would like."

## Rotary Means Business in WA

Mandurah's Rotary clubs (WA) are bringing local business owners together. More than 130 local business representatives recently joined in with three local Rotary clubs for a business networking event.

The event hoped to raise awareness about the local Rotary clubs and their members, and the organisation's efforts to work with local businesses to boost the local economy.

City of Mandurah Rotary president Marg Pantall said the event was a huge success, well-attended evening with a nice buzz as conversations developed and guests sought more information about Rotary.

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story: PDG Jennifer Scott



***POLIO HAS NO CURE. It is a crippling and potentially fatal disease, and children under the age of five are at the greatest risk. While there is no cure, there is prevention. For as little as \$1.00, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.***

The purpose of Purple Pinkie for Polio Day is to twofold: to raise the funds needed to finish the job of eradicating polio, and to raise awareness about the seriousness of this disease, and how we can prevent it.

When a child is vaccinated in poorer countries the vaccinator paints indelible purple ink on to the little finger (pinkie) nail of the left hand. Before giving a vaccine this finger is checked to see if that child was recently vaccinated. If the finger is not purple then they can have the vaccine

The Purple Pinkie Day Campaign will be divided into two parts, the Street Appeal and the Purple Pinkie in school.

The Purple Pinkie Street Appeal on or about 24 October 2017 will have Rotarians gather outside Shops around the Blue Mountains, providing information and collecting donations

Purple Pinkie in School will see Rotarians visiting schools to educate children about polio and supporting a gold coin donation day combined with a purple mufti day.

***This Purple Pinkie Day comes at an important time in the fight to eradicate polio, which would be only the second human disease to be eradicated, after smallpox. Currently there are only three polio endemic countries: Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan.***

In 1988, when Rotary and its partners committed to eradicating the disease, polio paralysed more than 350,000 children per year in 125 countries – or, more than 1,000 per day. Since that time, the number of polio cases has been reduced by 99.9%, with only 11 cases in two countries (Pakistan and Afghanistan) to date in 2017.

Rotary has contributed more than US\$1.4 billion to ending polio. Funds contributed to Rotary are tripled thanks to a 2:1 match by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Rotary is joined in the fight to end polio by its partners in the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, a public-private partnership that also includes the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, UNICEF, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.



***Polio has been eradicated in all but two countries. If polio isn't eradicated, the world will continue to live under the threat of this crippling disease.***

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# Mountain Ghost

What the Ghost would like to know is, if you lived in one of the 40 houses near the top of the Mt Panorama track and you ran out of milk – or even worse beer – it could be three days before you could get out of your house.

## Mount Panorama, Bathurst

The Mountain Ghost spent a pleasant Sunday watching the Bathurst Races, esky at his side, Peter Brock cap on his head. No he was not at Bathurst but in his Man Cave in the Mountains.

A long time ago the Ghost was a bit of a petrol head with a lead boot but now he suffers from gout.

What is the history of this amazing race that transforms sleepy Bathurst to the rev head capital of Australia for three days? Mt Panorama is the premier racing circuit in Australia.

The road itself is open to the public at any time outside race periods. In fact the Ghost has driven the circuit a few times and is a great place to take tourists. The circuit is known all over the world, courtesy of Fox Sports and word of mouth.

The track was officially opened at Easter 1938. They had the bike races on Easter Saturday and the first Australian Car Grand Prix in NSW was on Easter Monday.

The track itself is 6.213km long, the highest point is 870 metres above sea level (about the same height as Wentworth Falls) and the steepest grade is 1 to 6.13 (that's very steep). From the bottom to the top of the mountain is 174 metres.

For the Bathurst 1000, crowds of over 100,000 are common. In 2006 the crowd was 194,000 to watch Craig Lowndes win but most were there to see the farewell race for Australia's greatest driver, Peter Brock. He was known as King of the Mountain.

What the Ghost would like to know is if you lived in one of the 40 houses near the top of the track and you ran out of milk – or even worse beer – it could be three days before you could get out of your house.

The track no longer hosts bike races as it is considered too dangerous for both riders and spectators because of the lack of "run-off" areas.

In the history of races at Bathurst (both car and bike) 16 people have died plus two spectators. World Champion driver Denny Hulme suffered a fatal heart attack while behind the wheel in 1992.

It is as dangerous as it looks. In 2006, former World Champion F1 driver Jensen Button drove the track in a F1 car unofficially breaking all-lap record and he said it would make a wonderful Grand Prix track but there would need to be significant change made.

The lap record stands at 2m 01.5670 set by Shane Van Gisbergen in a McLaren 650S GT3 in February 2016.



The lap record for Touring Cars (V8s) was set this year by Craig McLoughlin at 2m 04.14 with a top speed of 295kph.

Multiple winners have been Peter Brock with nine, Jim Richards seven, Larry Perkins and Mark Skaife each with six and Craig Lowndes with five. The Ghost does not understand the rivalry between Holden and Ford but for those who do Holden has won 25 and Ford 19, Nissan two and Morris, one.

Next to the circuit is The National Racing Museum. It is a must for any racing enthusiast and is open every day except selected Public Holidays from 9am to 4.30 pm.

The Ghost keeps coming up with information for his readers. Mount Panorama will also officially be known as Wahlen. This ends a 40 year campaign by the local Wiradyuri people to have their name for the land to be formally recognised.

The Ghost hopes you liked the history of Mount Panorama and the great race. Why not take a trip to Bathurst and drive the circuit... NOT on race days. Just remember there is a 60 kph speed limit.....

..that's all folks