



# HORIZONS



## Rotary - Central Blue Mountains

*Effective - Energetic - Enterprising - Empowered*

Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

*Invite your friends and associates to our outstanding meetings*

## *Days for Girls Emu Plains Chapter*

*Changing girls lives  
around the world.*

*That's the mission  
of Days for Girls,  
an international  
organisation that has  
reached 400,000 +  
girls in 100 or more  
nations*



*Three members of Central Blue Mountains Rotary, Ava Emdin, Vanessa Balfour and Margaret Wiles, recently visited a workshop run by Days for Girls Emu Plains Chapter to discover and assist volunteers who were preparing feminine hygiene kits ready for distribution.*

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## What's On....



### February

**Wednesday 22** - Wayne Cornish - Aboriginal Resource Centre - Siblings Cultural Camps

### March

**Wednesday 01** - Sustainable Cambodia report

**Sunday 05** - Clean Up Australia Day - Honour Avenue, Lawson - Girl Guides

**Tuesday 07** - Food van - BMGS Cross Country event

**Wednesday 08** - Guest Speakers - Jarrod Sorenson (RYLA) and Griffin Brown (NYSF)

**Saturday 11** - District 9685 conference - Penrith Panthers

**Sunday 12** - Food van - Grand View Market

**Monday 13** - Board meeting

**Wednesday 15** - Club assembly

**Wednesday 22** - District Governor visit

**Wednesday 29** - Joint meeting with Penrith Valley Rotary - Grand View Hotel

**Friday 31** - Greystanes Golf day W.Falls Country Club

## Guest speaker Wednesday 22/02

Wayne Cornish, manager, Blue Mountains Aboriginal Research and Cultural Centre. Wayne is based in Katoomba.

The Centre was opened in 1996 and works to provide Aboriginal and Torres Straits Islander residents of the Blue Mountains with access and equity to the services they require.

The Centre offers support in overcoming physical and cultural isolation and a place to learn, share and develop Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures, arts, history and heritage. Additionally, the organization builds cultural relations between non-Aboriginal and Aboriginal communities.

Central Blue Mountains Rotary is looking to partner with the Centre in providing programs for young Indigenous boys and girls.



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### Our Mission

Central Blue Mountains Rotary has a very simple mission; to provide service to others within our local community and overseas, to promote integrity, and to advance goodwill through fellowship.

We have a long and successful history of supporting our local community and assisting overseas. Since being established in 1976 we have achieved, quite simply, nothing less than outstanding results every year. We are proud of our contribution to helping others.

## Where will you be on March 11?



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ON ROTARY**  
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**2017 CONFERENCE  
ROTARY DISTRICT 9685**  
**Saturday March 11th 2017**  
Penrith Panthers Convention Centre

**Register Now at**  
[www.conference2017.rotarydistrict9685.org.au](http://www.conference2017.rotarydistrict9685.org.au)

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**David Ireland**  
Wildlife Man

**Peter Switzer**  
The Future  
and Opportunities  
for Rotary

**PRID Stuart Heal**  
Rotary in the Future

**DG Bruce Lakin**

## Registration closes 03/03

### Registration Packages

#### Platinum Package – \$150

Includes all conference sessions.  
(morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea, cocktail function and entertainment).

#### Day Package – \$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.

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*Extremely successful book sale Saturday 18/02 resulted in a sizeable donation from CBM Rotary to assist Sustainable Cambodia.*



## Bill Gates will be a keynote speaker this June at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta.

Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have been working together on polio eradication for a long time, and our strong partnership will continue through the final years of the effort.

Bill and his wife, Melinda, in their much-anticipated Annual Letter, released today, offer a glimpse of their appreciation for Rotary and the incredible progress we've made toward polio eradication through our joint effort with national governments, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

With the most effective resources in place, it's possible that we have seen, or soon will see, the last case of polio in history. At the convention, Bill will say more about how we can — and will — end polio together.

Join Bill and Melinda Gates at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 10-14 June. This is one speaker you're not going to want to miss. Register now.



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# Mountain Ghost

Next weekend. The Charleston Challenge. We are trying to reclaim the Guinness World Record for the largest number of costumed people dancing The Charleston....The Ghost says...be there!

## THE ROARING TWENTIES FESTIVAL AT THE HYDRO MAJESTIC AND ALL THAT JAZZ

The Mountain Ghost feels privileged to live in the beautiful Blue Mountains. There is always something to do or see. All it takes is a little research. If you are lazy then let the Ghost do it for you.

As we speak the Roaring 20's Festival is on at the Hydro Majestic at Medlow Bath. The highlight is the Charleston Challenge on Saturday 25th February at 11.00 a.m. We are trying to reclaim the Guinness World Record for the largest number of costumed people dancing the Charleston.

For the Ghost's younger readers the Charleston was a dance very popular in the 1920s. The Ghost is showing his age as he remembers the dancers quite well. To enter the Challenge is free. The various Op Shops in the Mountains are doing a roaring trade with supplying outfits.

Following the Challenge will be the famous Hydro Majestic Long Lunch at the Majestic Marquee. The food will be exceptional with great jazz. This is not free. It is \$95 a head and bookings are essential.

Coming up next month is the 22nd Blue Mountains Music Festival on 17/18/19 March, at Katoomba. There are some pretty big names appearing including Paul Kelly and the Waifs. More next month.

The Ghost loves his music especially jazz. Next Saturday Galapagos Duck will perform live at the Norman Lindsay Gallery and Museum at Faulconbridge. Don't miss this.

To tie in with the Roaring 20's Festival at the Hydro, the Valley Heights Locomotive Depot Heritage Museum will be open on Saturday 25th February and Sunday 26th February 10.00am to 4.00pm. A lot of people will be in period costume to view the magnificent trains on display as well as an exhibition of Model T Fords. The Ghost's first car was a Model T. There will be jazz here as well.

People often ask the Ghost how come he knows so much. They also ask him to shut up as well. There is a wonderful App 'Ask Roz' Blue Mountains, developed by a local resident. Apart from the Blue Mountains it now covers the Central Coast and the Hunter Valley. You can also add your own function to the App. For instance if a Rotary Club is running a market everyone on the App would know about it. Visit "[askroz.com.au](http://askroz.com.au)"

That's it Folks.....



....that's all folks