



HORIZONS



Rotary - Central Blue Mountains

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, September 27 2017



Visit 11 Magical Gardens
Sept. 30 to Oct. 8
9.30am - 4.30pm

Money raised is used to support the purchase of equipment at Blue Mountains District ANZAC Memorial Hospital and other medical organisations within the Blue Mountains

Celebrate World Polio Day with a “Bowl of Soup”



‘Enjoy a bowl of soup and donate towards END POLIO NOW’ to celebrate World Polio Day on October 24’.

That’s the special request from RI Director Noel Trevaskis as Rotary International edges ever closer to its thirty year goal of eradicating polio from our world.

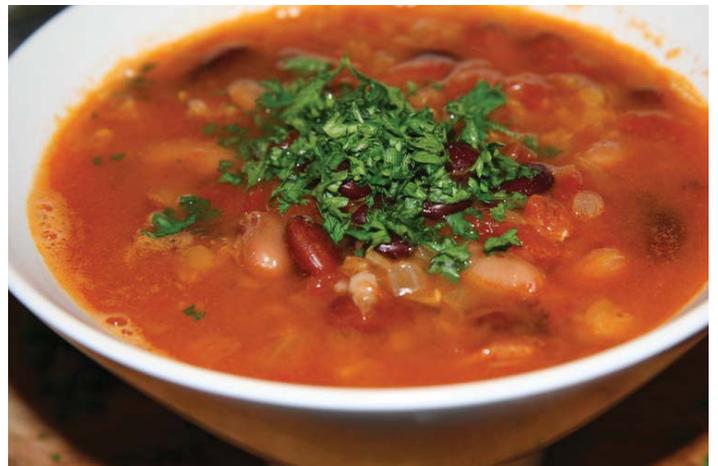
Director Noel emphasises that the dwindling number of polio cases around the world – just NINE so far this year – calls for a genuine celebration by Rotary Clubs and Rotarians to mark this red letter day.

‘When we launched the amazing PolioPlus campaign in 1985/86, there were 350,000 cases of Polio in 125 countries. This number has dropped significantly in recent years – 359 in 2014, 74 in 2015, 37 in 2016 – and the wild virus is now circulating in just three countries ... Nigeria, Pakistan and Afghanistan.’

However, the ‘Soup Saver Meal’ requires real commitment from Rotarians at their regular meetings and create good media opportunities if politicians and community leaders are involved.

The concept is simple ... members agree to pay \$15 for a bowl of soup and bread roll, the amount remaining goes into the club END POLIO NOW fund.

IF adopted by every Rotary club in Australia and New Zealand, the concept could raise between \$500,000 and \$750,000!



Rotary
Districts and Clubs
of New South Wales



Rotary Inspirational ★
Women’s Awards 2017

What are the Rotary Inspirational Women’s Awards?

*The Rotary Inspirational Women’s Awards (RIWA) have been established to recognise women and young women who best exemplify Rotary’s motto of **Service Above Self** (i.e. the community service the individual performs above and beyond their normal role.*

The Awards are an initiative of the Rotary Districts and Clubs of NSW.

Award Presentation Lunch
Club York
99 York Street, Sydney
Sunday, October 15, 2017

Further details:
<http://www.rotarydistrict9675.org>
T: 0412 120 314





Guest Speaker September 27



What's On....

September

- Wednesday 27** - Guest speaker: Julie Ankers
Fiesty, Fabulous and Fifty
 - Friday 29** - Aboriginal Cultural Centre barbecue
 - Saturday 30** - Leura Gardens Festival commences
- ### October
- Sunday 1** - Trifecta ticket sales - Leura Mall
 - Wednesday 4** - Guest speaker: Mark Jarvis -
Carrington Hotel history
 - Saturday 7- Sunday 8** - Leura Village Fair
 - Wednesday 11** - Hat Night - Aussie Barbecue
 - Monday 16** - Board meeting
 - Wednesday 18** - Club assembly
 - Tuesday 24** - Polio donation collection
 - Wednesday 25** - Guest speaker to be advised
 - Saturday 28 - Sunday 29** - Graffiti Removal

**FEISTY,
Fabulous
&
50+**

21 women share their candid
and compelling stories

JULIE ANKERS

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New Member

New member Ann Montague, of Wentworth Falls, was welcomed to Central Blue Mountain Rotary, Wednesday, September 20, by President Roza Sage and District Governor Peter Ward. Ann was introduced to Central Blue by John Read.

THE ROTARY CLUBS OF NSW
**POLICE OFFICER
OF THE YEAR AWARDS**
2017

FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2017

HYATT REGENCY SYDNEY, DARLING HARBOUR 6:30pm to 12am

The awards provide statewide community recognition to sworn and unsworn officers for excellence in police service.

2GB's Ray Hadley OAM will host the evening of entertainment and a wide range of food/beverages will also be served.

Visit www.sydneypolice.com for tickets

Cost: \$95 per person
or \$2000 per Corporate Table

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Rotarian Journey into Cambodia - January, 2018 - Tour leader PDG Jennifer Scott
Participate from only USD \$825 per person

Join fellow Rotarians from around the world on a journey into the heart of Cambodia

For tour details contact Jennifer Scott- jennifer@scottadr.com - 0414 367 631

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Mountain Ghost

Apart from flower displays there are many other activities such as Night Fest, Market Stalls and all the other activities Canberra is famous for. Last year, 400,000 visitors from interstate and overseas came to Canberra for the Floriade.

FLORIADE, CANBERRA

Every few years in Spring the Mountain Ghost likes to leave his Mountain lair and see the Floriade in Canberra. Other years he visits Bowral for the Tulip Festival.

There is something attractive in seeing massed plantings of flowers. It is a not too subtle sign that winter has gone and Spring is in the air. But the Ghost does not need to go outside to see Spring has arrived, his watery eyes and sneezing is all the proof he needs.

The Floriade in Canberra is celebrating its 30th Anniversary and this year they have planted 1-million bulbs. The gardens are in Canberra's Commonwealth Park. The month long flower festival is the biggest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere.

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Here is a tip from the Ghost. Wait a few weeks before going as the tulips are not as good as usual. Perhaps it was the dry winter. If you like tulips then head to Bowral in the Southern Highlands to Corbett Park.

The 100,000 flowers is much less than Canberra but it is more intimate and not so commercialised. Bowral is a great place to visit and not so far from the Mountains. The Tulip Festival in Bowral finishes shortly so you had better be quick.

The Mountain Ghost always likes to give his millions of readers some history and there is not a lot to say about Floriade and Bowral Tulip Festival, but tulips themselves have a fascinating tale to tell.

Tulips are members of the lily family and there are approximately 75 species. Originally thought to have come from Persia in the 10th Century, they are found in the highland areas of the Middle East and Central Asia. They were very prized in Turkey (tulip is thought to be derived from the Persian word for Turban – bet you didn't know that).

In the 17th Century, bulbs reached Europe. In the Netherlands the tulips were infected by a virus which resulted in different patterns that were greatly admired. So much so that in the Dutch Golden Age it became known as tulipmania.



Tulip bulbs became so expensive that they were treated as a form of currency or in today's terms it was like investing in the "futures". The tulip bubble eventually burst and the Ghost can see a parallel with Sydney property. Today, the Netherlands is still the world leader in propagating tulips. Well there you go.....

R TARY

Central Blue Mountains



HOT DOG

\$5

Yummy



 **Fairy Floss**



\$3 STICK
or
BAG

Pop **\$4**
Corn BAG

Leura Village Fair - October 7 and 8

Days for Girls - Ryde area team



This is a mighty journey for Days for Girls kits from Ryde area team in Sydney.

Thirty five Boxes were delivered to Richmond Air Base. They will journey to Townsville and then Port Moresby.

After clearing customs in Port Moresby, these kits will go to Manus Island by domestic flight and.... then by boat to the island where the training is to be held. That really is a mighty effort.



**Blue Mountains
Aboriginal Culture
& Resource Centre**

**ACRC COMMUNITY
OUTREACH DAY**

FRIDAY 29th OF SEPTEMBER

10AM-2PM

**COME CONNECT WITH
SERVICES FROM AROUND
THE MOUNTAIN**

LUNCH PROVIDED

**AT BLUE MOUNTAINS
ABORIGINAL CULTURE &
RESOURCE CENTRE**

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Lunch will be prepared and served by Central Blue Mountains Rotary

**Rotary Clubs of the
Central Coast Dinner**
**The Future of Rotary:
Unlimited or On
Borrowed Time?**

Thursday 5th October
6.00pm for 6.30pm

Breakers Country Club,
64 Dover Rd Wamberal

Tickets \$30 at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/293153>

RSVP: 2nd October 2017

**Guest Speaker: Rotary International
Director Noel Trevaskis**

Melbourne Cup TRIFECTA



\$2
TICKET

WIN
\$1,000

Contact Ray Wiles for tickets - 0409 845 415

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....that's all folks