



# HORIZONS



## Rotary - Central Blue Mountains

*Effective - Energetic - Enterprising - Empowered*

Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, June 06, 2018

### Always Moving Forward

*100,000 km travelled*

*Seen by millions of people*



*Our large moving billboard, courtesy of Colless Foods, Katoomba, has travelled across Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains four days a week since November, 2016, clocking up just under 100,000 kilometres.*

*Seen by millions of people over an 18 months period, the 10-metre truck with Rotary information on each side is highly visible in the traffic and invaluable as a method of promotion.*

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# Rotary

Central Blue Mountains



## WhatsOn....

### June

**Wednesday 06:** Guest speaker Melanie Stopic

**Wednesday 13:** CPR instruction - Grand View Hotel

**Wednesday 23:** Club assembly

**Fri 15 & Sat 16:** Winter RYPEN camp

**Saturday 16:** Barbecue - Home Hardware, Katoomba

**Sunday 17:** Upper BM Sunrise changeover

**Monday 25:** Springwood Rotary changeover

**Wednesday 27:** Catering van BMGS Senior Sports Day

**Wednesday 27:** CBM Rotary changeover

**Thursday 28:** Blackheath Rotary changeover

### July

**Monday 02:** Katoomba Rotary changeover

**Saturday 07:** Rotary District 9685 changeover



Western Sydney MUNA 2018 will be held at the Nepean Creative & Performing Arts High School June 23-24.

MUNA is an annual, two-day weekend event that is part of an International Rotary project to educate senior high school students (years 10 - 12) on the United Nations organisation and its vital commitment to world peace, in addition to health, education and living standards around the world.

The event provides an excellent forum for students to develop and practice their public speaking skills whilst debating on topical world issues.

MUNA is held in many Rotary Districts around Australia. The team that places first in MUNA in our contest will be invited to compete at the Australian National MUNA at the Old Parliament House, Canberra.

## RI President became a Rotarian because he was invited to join



"...they invited me to join" - Rotary International President Ian Riseley told the Sydney Morning Herald recently when he was being interviewed by journalist Sue White.

Ian Riseley said he had just started his accounting practice in 1978, he was 31 years-old, and was invited to speak at a Rotary club meeting about the fascinating topic of income tax.

"They seemed like a nice bunch of people, so when they started another club nearby they invited me to join."

He said he joined partly for business networks and partly for the chance to give back.

Ian Riseley is a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria.

Over the years, honours for his volunteer work include the AusAID Peacebuilder Award (in recognition of his work in East Timor), the Medal of the Order of Australia for services to the Australian community, the Distinguished Service Award and the Regional Service Award for a Polio-Free World (from The Rotary Foundation).

Asked what he will do when his presidential term comes to an end, Ian Riseley simply said: "I'll be straight back to my local club in Sandringham."

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# CBM Rotary receives \$1,000 for a project in Mongolia



*With Jennifer is Sue O'Neill, trustee Pink Umbrella Foundation and a member of the Rotary Club of Woy Woy and Brian Goldstraw, secretary of RAWCS, also a Pink Umbrella Foundation trustee.*

## ***Central Blue Mountains Rotary received a grant of \$1,000 last week from the Pink Umbrella Foundation for a project in Mongolia.***

The grant was presented to Jennifer Scott at the quarterly Eastern Region RAWCS meeting held at Parkes, NSW.

Receiving the grant, Jennifer said the vocational training team-based project in Mongolia was established following a study tour/needs assessment by her and Ian Scott in March, where they were joined by six other professional mediators and psychologists.

The project's mission is to up-skill community groups, the family child and youth government department and the court mediators, so as to better manage family conflict in particular in relation to children.

To assist in financing the project, Central Blue Mountains Rotary has applied for a Direct Aid grant through the Department of Foreign Affairs, in Mongolia, and will be applying for a Rotary Global Grant.

The project has RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) approval.

For many centuries Mongolian life was guided by Buddhist principles. In 1921 Russia invaded Mongolia and imposed state controlled family order through communism. This lasted until 1991 with the fall of the USSR and Mongolia became a democracy.

"Since then, families have lost the understanding of family values and responsibilities and the skill of raising children, with a result today that there is a very high marriage breakdown, increased family violence and alcoholism.

"Nearly half the children are being raised by a single parent. The impact has been exacerbated by many parents leaving for work overseas and nomadic families losing their lifestyle due to mining taking over their herding lands," Jennifer Scott said.



*The Pink Umbrella Foundation is a not-for-profit, Private Ancillary Fund established in December 2010 that operates in accordance with the Australia Government Private Ancillary Fund Guidelines 2009.*

*The Foundation is able to provide grants to Australian organisations that have Tax Concession Charity status and qualify as Deductible Gift Recipients under the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.*

*Pink Umbrella Foundation's primary mission is to address social inequities in developing countries through interventions that are substantially life changing and touch as many people as possible.*

*Pink Umbrella Foundation aims to increase the number of people with access to education, health care and sustainable livelihood, and strives to give people dignity, hope and choice thus making the world a fairer place.*

# TAKE ACTION: Save a life using

Wednesday, 13 June, 2018  
Grand View Hotel,  
Wentworth Falls  
Dinner: 6.00pm  
Instruction: 7.00pm - 9.00pm

*A small donation from those attending will help to buy a gift for the presenter.*



# CPR

Cardiopulmonary resuscitation

CBM Rotary has obtained the services of Frances Davidson, Pulse First Aid Training, to provide a two-hour FREE-OF-CHARGE instruction session on saving a life using CPR.

Frances Davidson comes with a wealth of 'on the job' practical knowledge. She has 25 years nursing experience.

During this time she has worked in ICU, Cardiothorasic ICU and emergency.

She trained in a hospital based system, five years with Victor Chang both heart surgery and transplant and one year on the RNS disaster team.

Frances has experienced both metropolitan and regional ambulance services and has had six years with the Australian Red Cross blood service.

She is a member of the Australian Resuscitation Council.



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# Rotary wins Hero Award for its polio eradication work

Story: Ryan Hyland  
Rotary Weekly

Rotary's commitment to eradicating polio worldwide won Best Nonprofit Act in the Hero Awards of the One Billion Acts of Peace campaign, an international global citizens' movement to tackle the world's most important issues.

The campaign is an initiative of PeaceJam Foundation and is led by 14 Nobel Peace Prize laureates, including the Dalai Lama, Desmond Tutu, and Rigoberta Menchú Tum, with the ambitious goal of inspiring a billion acts of peace by 2020.

Each year, the campaign picks two finalists in each of six categories for their work to make a measurable impact in one of the 10 areas considered most important by the Nobel laureates. Winners are chosen by people from around the world.

Rotary and Mercy Corps were the two finalists in the Best Nonprofit Act category. Rotary and the five other winners will be recognized at a ceremony in June in Monaco. Betty Williams, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1977 for her advocacy for peace in Northern Ireland, will present the award.



*Tom Colless in India 2008*



*Jennifer Scott in India 2011*



*Lucian Keegel, Rotary e-club of Greater Sydney, Nancy Colless and Allan Byrnes, Central Blue Mountains Rotary were collecting in Leura Mall.*

*Excellent result for the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal May 26 and 27. About \$20,000 raised between Mount Victoria and Woodford, a considerable amount being collected by students from Blue Mountains Grammar School and the International Hotel Management School.*

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# Mountain Ghost

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## BULLS CAMP RESERVE, LINDEN

Some weeks ago the Mountain Ghost was travelling down the Great Western Highway from Katoomba to Penrith when he was “caught short”.... Ah, the joys of getting old.

As it turned out he was at Woodford at the time so he decided to pop into the toilets at Bulls Camp Reserve. Big mistake. It took him 10 minutes to find a parking spot and then there was a queue for the toilet. The place was packed. It would have been quicker to drive straight to Penrith.

But it got the Ghost thinking. Who was Bull or what was Bull? Well, it is a long story. Bulls Camp Reserve was the site of a convict stockade established in 1835 at the current location between Woodford and Linden. At the time Linden was known as Seventeen Mile Hollow because of its location 17 miles from the Nepean River. Likewise Woodford was known as Twenty Mile Hollow for the same reason.

The convict camps had been established to maintain and improve the road over the Blue Mountains (Great Western Highway) and later help with rail construction. The Commandant of the Twenty Mile Hollow Stockade was Captain John Edward Bull, who gave the name to the Reserve.

He was in charge of the convict road gangs for nine years before the government moved the camp to Blackheath in 1844. For history buffs such as the Mountain Ghost the Blackheath convict site was at Leichhardt Street and any remains lie buried under the Great Western Highway and the Railway line. It covered a vast area with the main building between Govett Street and Prince George Street.

When the Blackheath site was closed in the 1850s the convict road gangs were transferred to Cockatoo Island in Sydney. They certainly had it tough.

What of Captain Bull. He was born in Ireland in 1806. He was a professional soldier arriving in Hobart in 1843. He and his regiment were charged with bringing Irish convicts

to Hobart. According to reports at that time he was so moved by the hardship endured by the prisoners that he had their irons removed. The Ghost thinks this was by the standards of the time considered a big deal. He is glad he didn't live in those times.

Upon arrival in Sydney Captain Bull was appointed Assistant Engineer and Superintendent of road-gangs on the Western Road from Emu Plains to Bathurst. He was in command of 60 soldiers and a few hundred convicts.

Bull evidently did a brilliant job of road making. He treated the convicts with

“humanity” unlike his predecessors. However the public's attitude to convict labour was changing (transportation of convicts ceased in New South Wales in 1840). In 1849 road gangs were finally abolished.

Captain Bull was transferred to work on the breakwater at Newcastle. Later he was appointed Commissioner of Crown Lands in Victoria where he worked with problems in the Victorian Gold Fields for many years. He died in Goulburn in 1901.

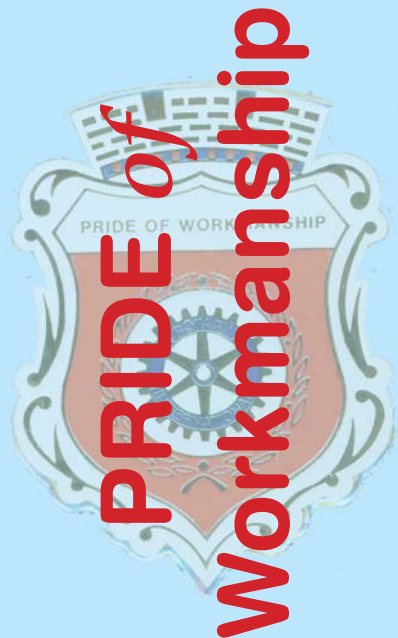
The next time you are at Bulls Camp Reserve the Ghost hopes you remember a little of the history and Captain John Bull. Until next time...



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Rotary  
Blue Mountains  
Blackheath, Central Blue  
Katoomba  
Upper Blue Mts Sunrise



Wentworth Falls  
Country Club  
Wednesday, May 30, 2018



Central Blue Mountains Rotary awardees were Josh Fry-Hall and Maddie Dean. Josh was nominated by Greystanes Disability Services. Maddie was nominated by Fairmont Resort. They are seen here with Steve Gillett, CBM Vocational Director, Susan Wakefield, Governor Elect 9685 and Roza Sage, Central Blue Rotary President.



Group shot of Pride of Workmanship awardees from the four upper BM Rotary clubs. Photographs supplied by Michael Small, Kumbayah Studios, Leura.

## Blackheath Rotary's Busy Weekend



"Run off our feet" was the answer from Blackheath Rotary to a question about the Big Train Weekend, May 26 and 27 at Mount Victoria. Difficult to cope, they said, but "we made lots of money for our community service account".

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# Central Blue Mountains Rotary

*invites you to attend*



## Changeover 2018 Wednesday, June 27

Grand View Hotel, Wentworth Falls  
6.30pm for 7.00pm - \$35 per person

Main-Dessert

Tea and Coffee

Drinks at bar prices

Celebrate the year of President Roza Sage and welcome  
Ava Emdin and Steve Cookson as Joint Presidents 2018-2019



RSVP: June 20, 2018 to:  
Roza Sage - 0408 329 212 - rozasage@gmail.com  
Please indicate any special dietary requirements when booking  
Dress: Neat casual

## Central Blue Mountains Rotary supports



District 9685  
Rotary Youth Program  
of Enrichment  
Blue Gum Lodge, Springwood  
June 16 and 17



## Rotary Leadership

The Rotary Leadership Institute course is now run over two days, powerpacked with information, learning and skills you can use in your Rotary life straight away.

Networking with other Rotarians and led by experienced facilitators, you are sure to enjoy what others are describing as the best Rotary training they have had. Register online now at [rli.rotarydistrict9685.org.au](http://rli.rotarydistrict9685.org.au) and supercharge your Rotary.

There is 1 course available for registration:

RLI 48 - Saturday 4 and 25 August 2018

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