



HORIZONS

Central Blue Mountains Rotary

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, December 7, 2016



Invite your friends and associates to our outstanding meetings

DREAM RIDE AUSTRALIA



Photo: Jennifer Scott

CBM president Ray Wiles "Marshaled the Mustangs" at Echo Point

It was 0600hrs Sunday 04/12 when "Team Mustang" started to arrive at Lilianfels Park (Echo Point) Katoomba.

And more than 100 participants were served breakfast by Central Blue Mountains and Upper Blue Mountains Rotary Clubs assisted by Lucian Keegel of the Rotary e-club of Greater Sydney, before heading off to Sydney Motorsport Park, at Eastern Creek.

Dream Ride 2016 is an exciting event for motoring enthusiasts to come together to have fun and raise funds and awareness for Special Olympics Australia.

Five luxury car Dream Rides travelled to Sydney Motorsport Park, giving 100 people with an intellectual disability the thrill of a lifetime as they enjoyed a lap of honour around the park upon arrival.

Lamborghinis started at Manly Beach, Ferraris came from Mrs Macquarie's Chair, Aston Martins assembled at Luna Park and Morgans began their trip at Barangaroo Reserve.

Money raised from Dream Ride 2016 will help Special Olympics Australia provide opportunities for people with an intellectual disability to achieve their personal best through sports programs. **Rotary is proud to be involved.**

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Lily Donald (left) and Kerrie Lang (right) photographed with CBM Rotary's president, Ray Wiles, are Unit Nurse Managers of the Day Ward, Nepean Cancer Care Centre, Kingswood. They were guests of Central Blue Rotary at the recent Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner.

The presentation of a Rotary Foundation Certificate of Appreciation to Lily and Kerrie expressed thanks to the Day Ward Nurses at the Nepean Cancer Care Centre to recognise their dedication and professionalism in caring for their patients

A donation to The Rotary Foundation's End Polio Now campaign was made by a CBM member on behalf of the nursing staff.

CBM Rotary Christmas raffle



Tickets at \$2 each will be sold at Woolworths Supermarkets, Katoomba and Leura, starting Friday, December 16. The prize, worth more than \$1,000 retail, will be drawn on December 23.

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RSL President joins Central Blue



Well-known Blue Mountains resident Brian Turner, of Katoomba, was inducted as a member of Central Blue Mountains Rotary Wednesday 30/11 by president Ray Wiles.

Brian is president of Katoomba RSL All-Services Club, now in his third term, and vice-president of Katoomba RSL Sub-Branch. He has been a member of the RSL State Branch Tribunal for the past seven years, and a Blue Mountains resident for the past 15 years.

Central Blue Mountains Rotary welcomes Brian Turner as a member, and although he is extremely involved with RSL activities, Brian says he is looking forward to contributing to the ideals and aspirations of Rotary both locally and overseas.

What's On....



December

Wednesday 7 - CBM Rotary Annual General Meeting

Saturday 10 - CBM Christmas function

Sunday 11 - Carols in the Park - Wilson Park

Monday 12 - Board meeting

Wednesday 14 - Guest speaker: Susan Templeman

Friday 16 - 22 - Christmas raffle ticket selling

Wednesday 21 - Club Assembly

Wednesday 28 - No meeting

Rotary Club of Central Blue Mountains Annual General Meeting 2016

The Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Central Blue Mountains will be held at 7:45 pm, Wednesday 7th of December 2016 at the Grand View Hotel, Great Western Highway, Wentworth Falls.

Nominations for Club Officers in the 2017-2018 Rotary Year are now called for.

Completed nomination forms are required to be returned to the Secretary by end of the normal Club meeting on the 30th of November 2016.

Expressions of interest for other club positions are also being called for, although they do not need to be submitted for, or ratified by, the AGM. These should be submitted to the Secretary for new Board consideration.

Guest Speaker 30/11



Our guest speaker Wednesday 30/11 was Attila Stopic, a Neutron Activation Scientist at ANSTO, the Australian Nuclear Science & Technology Organisation, Lucas Heights. He is in charge of analysing a variety of materials using the nuclear reactor.

His presentation was a fascinating insight to Australia's Open Pool Australian Lightwater (OPAL) reactor. He was among the first team of accredited reactor operators and was heavily involved in the commissioning of the reactor.

Atilla was photographed with his mother, Lora Stopic, a member of Central Blue Mountains Rotary.

Mountain Ghost

The Ghost loves the Powerhouse Museum. There is always something new on exhibition and the place is so vast it takes more than one visit to see everything.

The Ghost read with interest that an exhibition of Egyptian Mummies was coming to the Powerhouse Museum on the 10th December 2016. The six mummies are between 1800 and 3000 years old (older than the Ghost) and are part of the collection from the British Museum. There will be 3D CT scans of the Mummies. This should be something special.

The Ghost has visited the Powerhouse many times and loves the place. There is always something new on exhibition and the place is so vast it takes more than one visit to see everything.

The Ghost loves to give his readers a bit of history. The Museum started its life as the Technological Museum in August 1893 in Harris Street Ultimo. It was later known as the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences and the Ghost remembers visiting there as a child. There were many hands on activities for kids some of which have been retained in the current Museum.

The Museum moved to its current location (the old Ultimo Power Station at 50 Harris St. Ultimo – hence the change in name) in 1988.

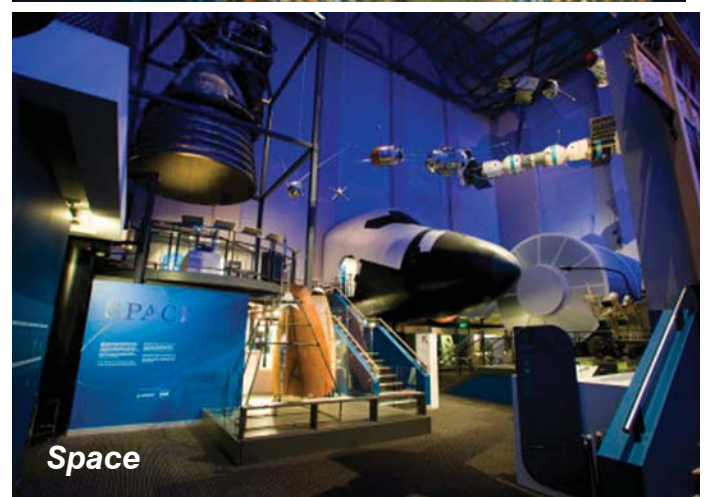
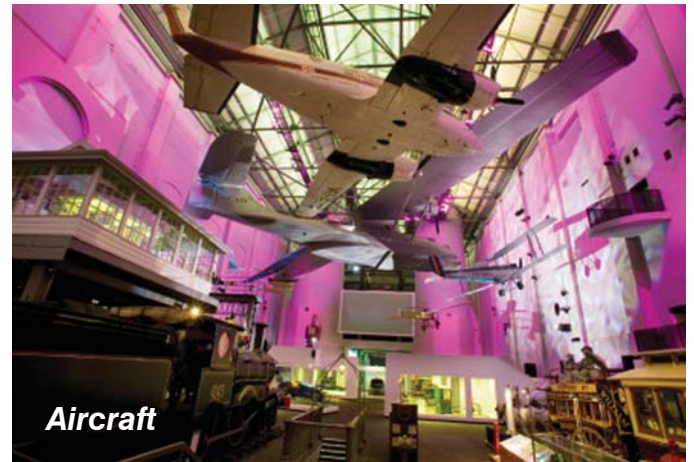
Some of the Powerhouse's unique collections include the oldest rotative steam engine in the world, the Whitbread Engine dating from 1785 and built by Boulton & Watt in the UK. It was acquired in 1888. Another important exhibit is Locomotive No.1, the first steam locomotive to haul a passenger train in NSW. It was built by Robert Stephenson in England in 1854. The most popular exhibit is the Strasbourg Clock Model built in 1887 by Richard Smith in Sydney. It is a working model of the famous Strasbourg astronomical clock in Strasbourg Cathedral.

Some permanent exhibitions include the following :- Transport through the Ages – covers horsedrawn carts, steam engines, cars and planes. There are complete locomotives and planes suspended from the ceiling. The exhibition for the Mummies is worth the entrance price alone.

For example, suspended from the roof is a complete Catalina Flying Boat used by Sir Gordon Taylor in the first flight from Australia to South America in 1945. There are even complete Sydney trams dating from 1898. The Steam Revolution Exhibition – all of the engines on display are fully operational. It is one of the best exhibits of its type in the world. The Space Exhibition - includes a life size model space shuttle cockpit and actual satellites. Cyberworld, Computers and Connections - has proved very popular with people who are younger than the Ghost.

One of the problems of the Powerhouse is that although the Museum is vast, only about 10% of its collection is ever on display at any one time. Some of this excess is shown at the Powerhouse Discovery Centre at Castle Hill. This is worth a visit and the Ghost has been there too. The Ghost does get around.

The State Government has proposed moving the Powerhouse to Parramatta, the geographical centre of Sydney. This proposal seems to have divided the community, but the Ghost sees a lot of merit in this. A smaller Powerhouse in the Blue Mountains or Bathurst would also make a lot of sense.



Good to Know:

Open Daily:	10.00 am to 5.00 pm (apart from Christmas Day)
Cost:	\$15.00 Adult. Children under 16 free Seniors \$8.00
Getting there:	Public transport best option close to Darling Harbour.
Food:	MAAS Café – Entrance Level open 7.30 am – 5.00 pm.
Ghost Rating:	9/10

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

Register Now at

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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.



**EARLY BIRD
REGISTRATION**

Register and fully pay for your conference
registration before December 31, 2016 and go
into the draw to be one of four lucky delegates
who will have their conference registration
refunded.

Early Bird lucky draw winners will either
be Platinum or Day Delegates – platinum
delegates will be refunded \$150 and day
delegates will be refunded \$100.



Rotary
Central Blue Mountains



**Late Night
Christmas Shopping
Leura Mall
Friday Dec 16
until 9.00pm**

*in association with Leura
Village Association and
CBM Rotary*

Bands - Buskers

Rotary Christmas sausage sizzle

Wonderful shopping

Great Christmas decorations

Mouth-watering food and coffee

Christmas lantern parade

View Club Christmas wrapping
service

Have your photograph
taken with Santa

Fun for all

Bring your family and friends

....that's all folks