



HORIZONS



Rotary - Central Blue Mountains

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, May 09, 2018



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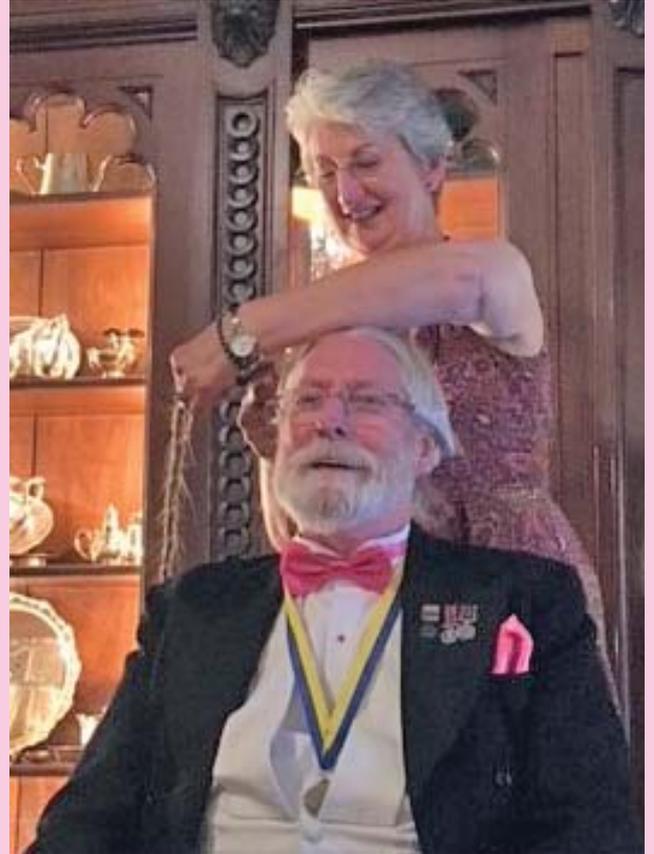
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...at the Central Blue Rotary Pink Ball



Pauline and Steve Cookson with Roza Sage

The Central Blue Mountains Rotary Pink Ball was held Friday 04/05 at the Carrington Hotel, Katoomba, to support the club's two international Rotary projects - Sustainable Cambodia and Astha Home for Girls, Kathmandu, Nepal.



Hair clipping highlight - Steve and Vivien Gillett



Gillian Meers, vocalist



Susan and John Wakefield.



Pink Ball Princesses

Rotary

Central Blue Mountains



WhatsOn....

May

- Tuesday 08: BM Grammar School catering van
- Wednesday 09: Guest speaker - Ann Montague
- Wednesday 16: No meeting
- Saturday 19: Barbecue - Home Hardware, Katoomba
- Sunday 20: RSPCA Million Paws Walk - Katoomba
- Wednesday 23: Club assembly
- Sat 26 & Sun 27: Great Train Weekend - Mount Victoria
- Wednesday 30: BM Rotary Pride of Workmanship

June

- Wednesday 06: Guest speaker Melanie Stopic
- Wednesday 13: CPR instruction - Grand View Hotel
- Wednesday 23: Club assembly
- Saturday 16: Barbecue - Home Hardware, Katoomba
- Sunday 17: Upper BM Sunrise changeover
- Wednesday 27: CBM Rotary changeover
- Thursday 28: Blackheath Rotary changeover
- Thursday 28: Catering van BMGS Senior Sports Day

DG Peter and DGE Susan warmly invite you to

**ROTARY
DISTRICT 9685
CHANGEOVER**

Saturday 7 July 2018
6.00pm for 6.30pm

Hornsby RSL Club, 4 High St, Hornsby

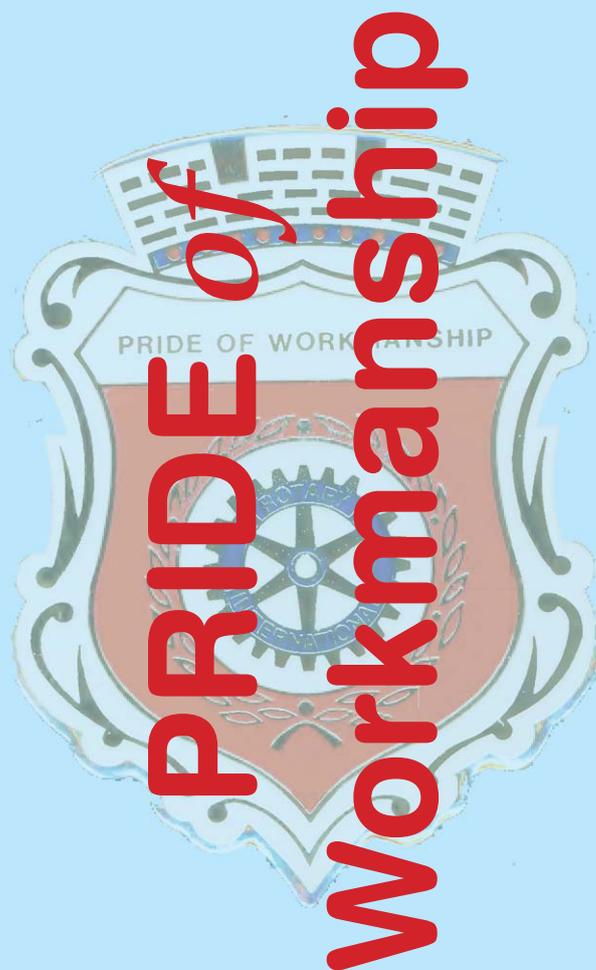
\$55 per person
incl. 2 course dinner

Register at changeover.rotarydistrict9685.org.au

RSVP Friday 29 June 2018

Enquiries: changeoverregistrations@rotarydistrict9685.org.au

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



Wentworth Falls
Country Club
Wednesday, May 30, 2018
6.30pm for 7.00pm

Two course meal
\$40 per person

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...at the Blue Mountains Business Expo

Rotary clubs across the Blue Mountains had a pop-up shop at the recent Blue Mountains Business Expo, Springwood.

Rotarians from Blackheath, Upper Blue Sunrise, Katoomba, Central Blue, Springwood and Lower Blue were involved in promoting Rotary to business people and visitors.

It was an excellent opportunity to showcase the work Rotary does locally and overseas.



*Bill Pixton, Bob Reid, Upper BM Sunrise
Ray Wiles, Central Blue Mountains*



*Maralyn Arnott, Katoomba
Pamela Noal, Lower Blue Mountains*



A very busy Libby Bleakley, Blackheath Rotary, was actively promoting aprons, coffee and all manner of things made in Timor-Leste at the BM Business Expo, Wednesday 02/05.

Libby says it costs \$40,000 a year to keep her **'Centre of Learning for Youth'** operating efficiently, and the sale of these products is essential to its sustainability.

The youth centre is a project Libby instigated several years ago and, as founder and a director, she travels to Timor-Leste every three months to check on progress.

Libby said: "In the past few months we were thrilled and extremely thankful to receive \$6,500 from the Rotary Club of Upper Blue Sunrise along with the Quilter's Retreat group run by Ann Summerlad.

"We also received \$1,000 from the Rotary Club of Aurora Gungahlin, \$1,200 in total from several individuals, and over \$1,600 raised from selling coffee and sewing centre products. We still need to raise \$13,000 to cover costs for the rest of 2018."

Recently, Libby started a new coffee roasting business "Roasters with Altitude" to raise money for the Centre by buying green coffee beans from Timor-Leste and roasting, packaging and selling in Australia.

To purchase products made at the Centre – please contact Libby Bleakley. email: ebleakley@live.com



Rotary BowelCare Program 1 April 2018 - 31 May 2018

BowelCare kits are on sale at participating pharmacies for two months. This year's BowelCare kit will cost only \$15.00. This price includes pathology testing, with notification of your result to both yourself and your nominated doctor.

TAKE ACTION: Save a life using

Wednesday, 13 June, 2018

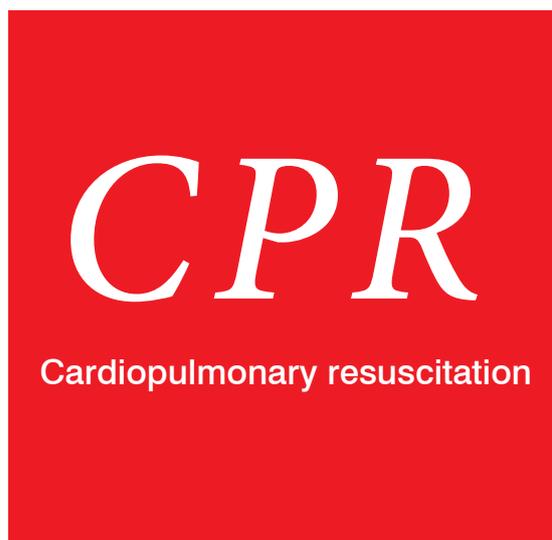
Grand View Hotel,

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.



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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Mountain Ghost

The new Powerhouse will incorporate Australia's largest planetarium. The Premier says it will rival the London Science Museum and the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. The Ghost thinks this is a big call.

THE POWERHOUSE MUSEUM

The Mountain Ghost was upset. For years it had been discussed that the Powerhouse Museum should move from its current site at Ultimo to Parramatta.

The Ghost agreed that a better site would be Penrith or Bathurst which would really open up the Mountains for greater Tourism.

He had seen what the Museum of Modern Art (MOMA) had done for Hobart. But it is now official that the Museum will move to Parramatta and open in 2023. It does sound exciting.



As well as all the good stuff that is currently at the Powerhouse it will incorporate Australia's largest planetarium. The Premier has stated that it will rival the London Science Museum and the Smithsonian Air and Space Museum. The Ghost thinks this is a big call.

A lyric theatre and a creative design museum will be built on the Ultimo site with some residential structures which is code for high rise. The Ghost is pleased he lives in the Mountains.

But what of the Powerhouse Museum today? The Ghost was there last year and thought it was wonderful but looking a little run down. It has an interesting history which, as his readers would know the Ghost loves 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 Powerhouses 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.

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 here too. The Ghost does get around.

The Ghost is hoping he will still be around to see the Parramatta Museum and give an up to date report to all his readers. So for now that's it.....

Good to Know:

Open Daily - 10.00 am to 5.00 pm (except Christmas Day)

Cost - \$15.00 Adult. Children under 16 Free. Seniors \$8.00

Getting there - Public Transport Best Option – close to Darling Harbour.

Ghost Rating - 9/10

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Explore THE Possibilities



2018 Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference
14-16 September, Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart, Tasmania

The Conference (formerly the Institute) will be held in Hobart on 14 – 16 September 2018 and Rotary International Director Noel Trevaskis invites all Rotarians to join us for this event.

There will be interesting presenters covering Rotary projects and issues of interest together with a variety of breakout sessions.

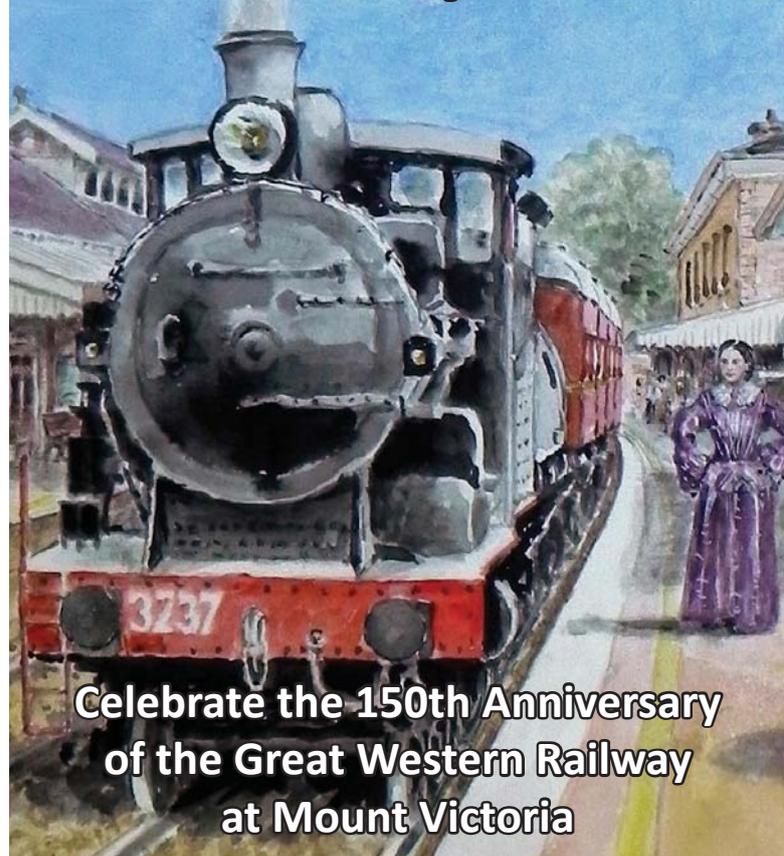
What better way to keep up-to-date and enjoy mixing with Rotarians from all Australian states and the North and South Islands of New Zealand as well as visiting some of the many attractions on offer.

Further details can be found on the Conference website <http://www.rotaryinstitute.org.au> - extra information is available from the contacts listed on the site.

And there is more! Rotaractors can attend the conference at a reduced fee and participants in the Youth Exchange Program in 2018-19 or in the past five years can attend with no fee to pay. We know of several Rotarians who would like a holiday in Tasmania.

Great Train Weekend MOUNT VICTORIA

26 - 27 May, 2018



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of the Great Western Railway
at Mount Victoria

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The Million Paws Walk is on again this year. May 20 in the Blue Mountains at Melrose Park, Katoomba. Canines and their handlers will arrive at the park around 0900 hours.

There will be a walk around the oval, lots of stalls and entertainment and Central Blue Rotary will be providing bacon and egg rolls, sausages and onions and the profit after expenses will be donated to RSPCA Katoomba.

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THE ROTARY CLUB OF SPRINGWOOD Inc.



2018 COACH TRIP – 8TH & 9TH SEPTEMBER

**\$240 per person (double/twin)
Single supplement \$60**

*Coach travel - Accommodation - Morning tea Saturday,
Lunch both days - Four winery visits and tastings
Museum tour and Orchard visit.*

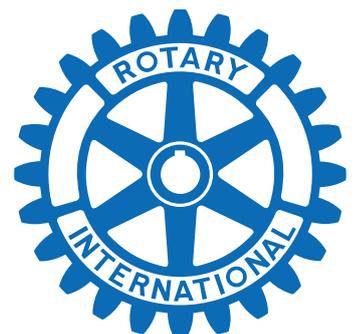
**Bathurst - Orange - Millthorpe
Wineries - Orchard - Antiques - Honey
Beer - Produce**

Non-refundable deposit of \$50 per person due by 15 July, 2018
Balance payable by 20 August, 2018

For booking, more information and extra details
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