



# HORIZONS



## Rotary - Central Blue Mountains

*Effective - Energetic - Enterprising - Empowered*

Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, January 31, 2018

### Australia Day Celebrations - 2018 Wentworth Falls







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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, April 18, 2018



Attending the Greystanes golf day, Friday, April 13: Governor of New South Wales, David Hurley AC DSC (Ret'd) and Central Blue Mountains Rotarians Tom Hickey, Chris Van der Kley and Ray Wiles.



Central Blue Mountains Rotary and Greystanes volunteers: Central Blue members provided breakfast for 80 golfers and volunteers. NSW Governor David Hurley started the day by hitting a great shot from the first tee. Money raised will be used to purchase a much needed vehicle from Blue Mountains Mazda, to transport clients to medical appointments. Photographs: Jo Kot, Greystanes

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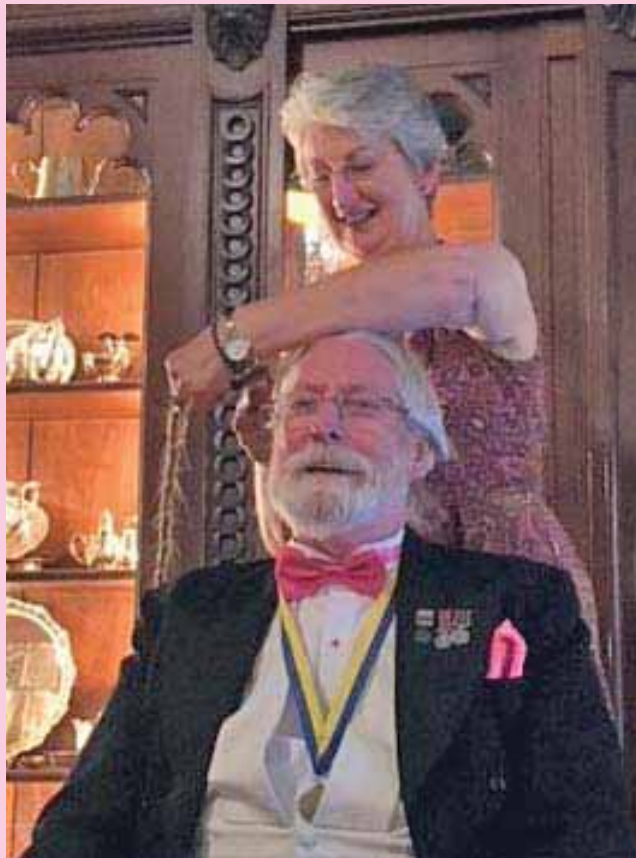


# ...at the Central Blue Rotary Pink Ball



*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*





# *Central Blue* **GOING GREEN**







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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

### Rotary Winter Food Relief

Rotary  
really  
making a  
difference

*Pallets loaded with  
tinned and packaged  
food at Woolworths  
Supermarket,  
Katoomba, ready for  
distribution to needy  
families in the Blue  
Mountains.*

*The food is donated  
and delivered to  
local family support  
services by Rotary  
Central Blue  
Mountains twice a  
year....winter and  
Christmas*

*Left to right are Central Blue Rotary members  
Ava Emdin (president), Brian Turner, Tom Hickey, Robert Ralston and Chris Van der Kley.*



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# HORIZONS



## Central Blue Mountains Rotary

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, September 26, 2018

### *Raising money for drought relief*



Central Blue Mountains Rotary team feeding hungry people at the Mitre 10 Hardware store, Katoomba, Saturday 22/09. Donations went to the Rotary Australia, National Farmers Federation, Channel Nine Drought Appeal. Our crew was pleased to welcome television personality Scott Cam, who was involved in the store celebrations.

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# "Jazz at the View"

## Sunday, October 21



Local artist Tanya Loviz donated the painting shown left with CBM co-presidents Steve Cookson and Ava Emdin.

Titled "*The 3 Shear-Hers*"- the painting raised \$1,000 for the drought appeal.

After more than 25 years experience, Tanya Loviz is recognised internationally and embraced locally as being a truly unique and gifted artist.

She has had 40 solo exhibitions and a staggering collection of over 1,600 paintings and matching poetry.

### Excellent Entertainment, Great Food - and more than \$3,000 raised for the drought appeal



Kevin Brown Jazz Group

An extremely successful afternoon's entertainment Sunday 21/10 at the Grand View Hotel Wentworth Falls raised a whopping \$3,300 plus a bucket collection of \$700 for the Rotary Australia, National Farmers Federation, Channel Nine Drought Appeal.

The enthusiastic jazz crowd enjoyed their Grand View Hotel lunch as they were entertained by the Kevin Brown Jazz Group, country folk singer Pat Drummond and guitarist Martin Foote.

Central Blue Mountains Rotary is indebted to local artist Tanya Loviz who generously donated several of her paintings valued at \$1,700, the main exhibit being the one shown above which realised \$1,000.



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# CBM Rotarians Invade Central West

Sixteen Central Blue Mountains Rotarians and partners descended on Forbes, Cowra, Gooloogong and Parkes from Friday 26 to Monday 29 October to spend money and show support for locals still suffering the effects of the drought.

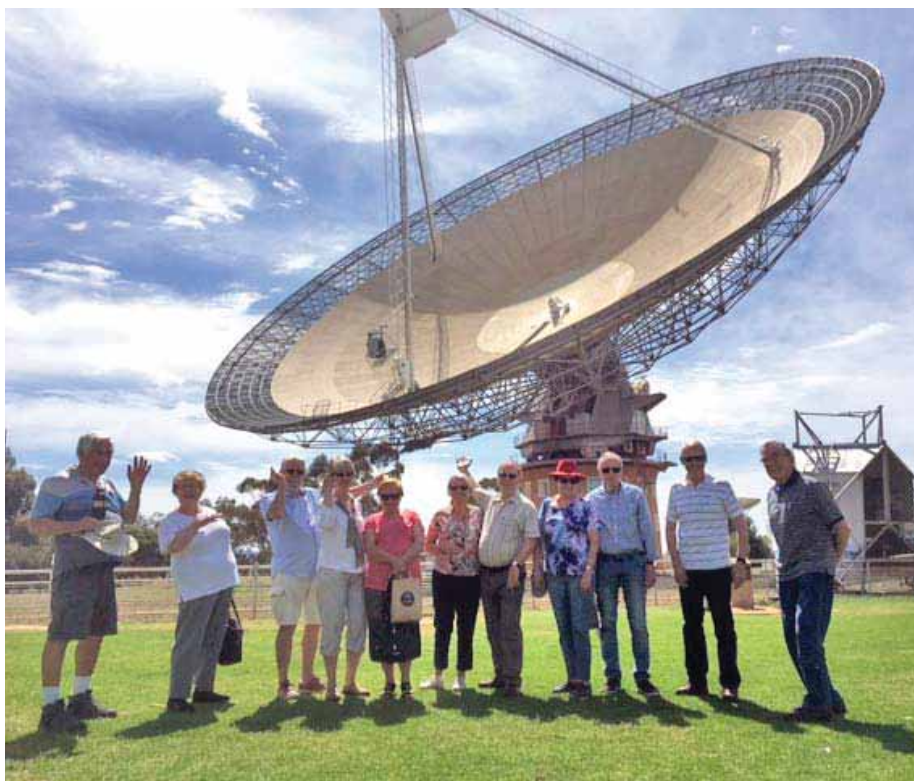
Organised by CBM's Eric Cantor, the tour began in Forbes, with its beautiful heritage buildings. Drinks and dinner with Rotarians from Forbes Rotary clubs followed and we celebrated Sue Cantor's birthday.

Saturday brought a bus trip to a huge "Rotolactor" where cows are milked three times a day, then to Cowra's Japanese Gardens and the nearby WW2 POW camp where the Japanese breakout happened in August 1944.

Later, we enjoyed a few ales, giant serves of food and another birthday (Co-Pres Steve's) at the Gooloogong Hotel (misspelt on their wall) on the way back to Forbes.

A few had groggy heads as the bus left on Sunday for the short trip to Parkes and a visit to the enormous, stunning CSIRO telescope. There, we gathered for the mandatory group shot and watched in awe as "The Dish" swivelled twice on its axis.

A quick stop at a small winery outside Forbes - run by local Rotarians - resulted in bottles clanking as the bus headed for a motor museum the other side of "town" and lunch. Most then headed home, with a few staying on for Monday. We all had a most enjoyable fellowship weekend and managed to spread our dollars around the district in doing....*story Steve Cookson*



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# Lone Pine War Memorial and Peace Park Leura, NSW Remembrance Day 2018

*Central Blue Mountains Rotarians:*

*Left: John Sim, Treasurer, Cr. Kevin Schreiber, BM City Council, Ray Wiles OAM, Air Commodore Ian Scott AM, Tom Colless OAM, Steve Cookson, Co-President, Jennifer Scott, Past District Governor*



*Plaque unveiled in memory of 14 men from Leura who enlisted in World War 1 and did not return.*



*A magnificent bush setting for the Remembrance Ceremony*



*The newly dedicated Red Cross Rose Garden*



*Australian Air Force Cadets attended the dedication of the Red Cross Rose Garden and the unveiling of a plaque to commemorate the service of 27 women from the Blue Mountains who served in WW1 and three who did not return.*



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# Centenary Garden Fountain Gets a Facelift

**CBM Rotary's Centenary Garden at Katoomba Hospital includes a fountain with a sculpture, outdoor furniture and pavers - all needing regular attention.**

The garden, established in 2005, to recognise the 100th anniversary of the foundation of Rotary, provides continuous pleasure for patients in the palliative care and rehabilitation wards.

The fountain, a work of art in stainless steel, was designed and constructed by well-known Blue Mountains sculptor, Terrance Plowright.

Following an assessment of the (unaffordable) cost of replacing the fountain pump, it was decided to fill in the circular pond section with stones as a base and soil on top.

Rotarian Allan Byrnes organised the payment and delivery of half a tonne of stones and one and a half cubic metres of soil.

Well....that certainly produced a few sore limbs and backs as co-Pres. Steve Cookson worked with members of the Volunteer Hospital Garden Group to shovel, shift and spread the stones and soil into the fountain - all volunteers together in community service.

Next step - planting out the former pond - promises to be a lot easier on the bodies than Thursday's effort!

CBM Rotary is meeting the cost from its charity fundraising account.



*Photos: Steve Cookson*

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# Soar and Roar 2018

Mustangs leaving Lilianfels Park, Katoomba, on Sunday 09/12 at 07.30, heading for the Special Olympics SOAR & ROAR Festival at Sydney Motorsport Park.



Left: Drivers and passengers who will enjoy luxury car and motorcycle rides for the rest of the day.

This Special Olympics annual event from Katoomba to western Sydney, assisted by Mustang drivers and owners, gives people with an intellectual disability an opportunity to experience the thrill of a "Dream Ride".

The Rotary club caterers from Central Blue Mountains, Upper Blue Mountains Sunrise and the e-club of Greater Sydney.

They prepared breakfast from 6.00am. Mouth-watering egg and bacon rolls and orange juice ready to meet the demand.

*Left to right, The Rotary workers:  
Rick Tasker, Lucian Keegel, Chris Van der Kley,  
Ava Emdin, Bob Reid, Steve Gillett,  
Steve Cookson, Ray Wiles and Neil Brown*



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# LEURA

*The Garden Village*



## *Celebrating Christmas*



*Katoomba RSL Blue Mountains City Band*



*Central Blue Mountains Rotary celebrated Christmas at Leura Mall, Friday 07/12, as part of Leura Village Association's late night shopping promotion. Santa arrived in style and settled into his normal routine of greeting children with a wave and a smile. It was a fun night out. Parents took photographs of their children with Santa. Good weather, the Central Blue Rotary barbecue and Katoomba RSL Blue Mountains City Band were a real hit with mums, dads and kids.*

*....that's all folks!*