



ROTARY DISTRICT 9700 DisCon17 (DISTRICT CONFERENCE)

Registrations are now open for Rotary District 9700 Conference to be held from Friday 17, Saturday 18 and Sunday 19, March 2017, at the Orange Civic Centre and Theatre.

The District Conference, named DisCon17, will be an opportunity for Rotarians and the general public to experience great ideas, exceptional speakers and learn about amazing projects from near and far.

The exciting program includes, **by popular demand! an informal event on Friday evening** followed by a day and a half of entertaining, informative and inspiring sessions covering Community Development, Serving Humanity and Inspirational Youth.

Over the next few months we will be releasing information about our Keynote Speaker line-up. To whet your appetite already confirmed Keynote speakers include:

- **Gemma Sisia** – whose School of St Jude has received, and continues to receive, great support from Rotarians around the world. We have asked Gemma to address ***The Importance of Education in Tackling Poverty***. We understand that she may be travelling with one of her recent School graduates. So a great opportunity to learn about and get an update on one of the world's greatest success stories!
- **Alice Mabin** – Al is a special young person, demonstrating great inspiration, and was recognised as the BEFA 2015 Asia Pacific Female Entrepreneur of The Year and Australia's #1 Rural Lifestyle Photographer. Not only is she a self-published author and photographer of the Australian and International best seller '*The Drover*', Alice has published the Australian best seller "*The Driver – Australia and New Zealand on the back of a truck*". Al was born and bred on the land. Be inspired by her passion capturing images that represent the grass roots of rural Australia. Al has been asked to share her secrets with us by addressing the question: ***What Inspires You to Do What You Do and How Has This Impacted on Your Social Conscience?***


PRICES

We have been aware of the difficulty Rotarians are having in remaining solvent in these challenging times, and that your financial commitment to attend the conference will be substantial – food, accommodation, and travel. So this year we have kept the prices as low as practical, and will utilise the funds you commit to the District for the Conference. You are only paying for the meals and refreshments you consume, so it is your choice. We hope you recognise the **value at a max of \$130 per head** unless you are the Past District Governor and then I hope you will be joining us for Lunch on the Friday.

REMEMBER: As advised earlier there are many events happening in Orange the weekend of the conference so I urge you to book your accommodation now.

REGISTRATION

It is easy to Register on line, just follow these steps:

1. Go to the D9700 website – www.rotary9700.org.au
2. Select/click on the button 
3. Fill in the Registration form on line
4. Record the amount you will need to pay, you will receive an acknowledgement email of the registration
5. Note the Direct Debit account details for DisCon17 and pay the amount owing, putting your name in the Reference box on your bank's EFT
6. Send to Graham Denney, by email that you have completed the transaction.
7. If you have decided not to use the internet banking, please send a cheque for the total amount owing to Graham Denney, identifying your name as written on the registration form.
8. If you absolutely cannot complete the online registration, then ask your Club Secretary to print off the registration form for you, complete it and send with your cheque to Graham Denney – we hope this will only be a last resort as Graham must enter every manual registration!

Thanks for helping in this

SEE YOU IN ORANGE IN MARCH

Regards



Michael Milston
District Governor
Rotary District 9700