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ROTARY CLUB OF MOSS VALE INC. N.S.W. AUSTRALIA – DISTRICT 9705

Rotarians and Friends

Last week's Board Meeting was very productive, including planning and discussion regarding our busy agenda of events, coming up before the end of 2024.

Come along and join in the fun, we have our monthly Kiosk and BBQ at Moss Vale Showground - this coming Sunday. Please let Roger Bayley or Chris Slade know if you assist, what time you can be there and how long you can be there.

Rotary District 9705 Conference is on the following weekend 25, 26 & 27 October. Final registrations close this coming Friday 18 October (website address is: www.discon24.com). There are currently six (6) members of our Club registered.

Note the change of plan for our next Meeting on 29 October. Please see email Roger Bayley sent on Sunday.

Great to hear that Jacqui Bayley is recovering well at home after her stay in hospital.

Hope to see you all on Tuesday for our speaker Catherine Fritz-Kalish.

Yours in Rotary
Ross Craig
President



Our guest speaker last meeting was Paul Stevens, who used to run the swim school at Bowral pool

and who has helped to raise almost \$1,000,000 for the Clown Doctors program,

that supports children in hospital.

President Ross is thanking Paul here, for his informative talk: Paul became involved with the Clown Doctors around 1998 through their founder Dr Peter Spitzer aka Dr Fruit-Loop.

From 1999 to 2018 Paul ran the Clown Doctor's "Ball" at Mittagong RSL. He Joined Mittagong and Bowral Rotary Club in 2010.

Our guest speaker this week is Catherine Fritz-Kalish

Catherine Fritz-Kalish AM is Managing Director of Global Access Partners, an independent non-profit institute for active policy that initiates strategic debate on the most pressing social, economic and structural issues facing Australia and the world today. Using the GAP Second Track process, GAP runs multidisciplinary taskforces, forums, workshops, and consultative committees which move conversations from ideas to recommendations to implementable action.

She is also a Director of the International Centre for Democratic Partnerships which works to develop long lasting, meaningful relationships between entrepreneurs across the Australia and the Pacific Island Nations. The programme focuses specifically on women led enterprises.

Catherine's family has had properties across the Southern Highlands for most of her life. Her grandfather started the wine growing industry in the region, starting with vineyards at Eling Forest.

Today her family has a property in Robertson. Catherine is Director of the Fritz Family Foundation which aims to improve early childhood education opportunities for Australia's young families. It funds a playgroup in Mittagong which meets 3 times a week, supporting 60 families per week to attend it's inclusive, facilitated early childhood education program.

Catherine lives in Sydney with her husband and three children.

Now, members, Margie will be at the Showground Market Day on Sunday as usual, but to taste a fabulous fresh, warm scone, with jam and cream, (made by Margie) with a hot fresh coffee (made by Roger) you have to be there – maybe cooking eggs and bacon (Malcolm is away so we need a BBQ cook), maybe serving at the window, maybe putting jam and cream on scones, maybe taking orders and payment. (Not expecting Jacqui, who is in recovery mode!) Please come if you can, even if only for a couple of hours!

Date	Event	Venue	Member/Speaker
15 th October	Dinner Meeting	MV Services Club	Catherine Fritz-Kalish
20 th October	MV Market Day	MV Showground	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
25 th – 27 th October	District 9705 Conference	MV Services Club & Mittagong RSL Club	Ross Craig
29 th October	Vocational visit and Club Social Night	Mrs Oldbuck's and the Berrima pub	Malcolm Webber Roger Bayley
1 st November	MV Public School Annual Country Fair	MV Public School	John Flockton Chris Slade
5 th November	Dinner Meeting	MV Services Club	Krishna Sapkota
12 th November	Board Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
17 th November	MV Market Day	MV Showground	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
19 th November	Dinner Meeting & Club night prior to AGM	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
30 th November & 1 st December	Auto Swap Meet	MV Showground	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
3 rd December	AGM & Club Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
10 th December	Board Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
14 th December	Christmas Carols	Connect Christian Church, Moss Vale	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
15 th December	MV Market Day	MV Showground	Roger Bayley

			Chris Slade
17 th December	Christmas Party	MV Services Club	Board Members
19 th January	MV Market Day	MV Showground	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
21 st January	Club Social Night 1 st Meeting for 2025	TBD	Ross Craig Roger Bayley

A Funny for the week (just for George!):

An Irishman walked into a bar in Dublin and ordered six pints of Guinness. He sat at a table in the back of the pub and slowly sipped each of the drinks one after the other.

While cleaning tables the barman went up to him and said, "You know that your Guinness goes flat after it is poured. It would taste better if I poured them one at a time."

The Irishman said, "Well I have five brothers. One is in Australia, one in Canada, one in New Zealand, one in Canada and one in London and I'm in Dublin." "When we left home we promised that we would drink this way so that we would remember the days we drank together." The barman admitted that this was a nice custom and he left the drinker alone.

The Irishman became a regular and each evening on the way home he came in for his six pints of Guinness. Some months later, one day he came in and ordered five pints of Guinness.

He sat down and drank them in turn. The barman came over to him and said, "I don't want to intrude on your grief. However please accept my condolences on the loss

of one of your brothers!"

The Irishman looked puzzled for a moment, then a light dawned and he laughed, "Oh, no", he said, "Everybody's just fine. It's just that my wife had us join the Pentecostal Church and I had to quit drinking. However, it hasn't affected my brothers!"

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