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

Rotarians and Friends

President Ross is still having a few days away – we hope he is having a good break!



PP Malcolm thanking Peter Glass, speaker at the last meeting

At the last meeting, of August 20, our guest speaker was Peter Glass PHF of the Robertson Environment Protection Society. Peter is a long standing member of the Rotary Club of Bulli and told us of some of the achievements of that club: the rebuilding of Bulli lookout (familiar to many members), the establishment of the Wollongong hospital dialysis unit, as well as the outcome of the tragic loss of a member's wife to a funnel web bite, which, with support from Rotary, ultimately led to the development of the present anti-venene.

The Robertson Environment Protection Society was started in 1990 with the aim of protecting the remnants of the Robertson rainforest. The group has been successful in publishing a book on the Rainforest, with over 1000 copies sold. They publish a newsletter 6 times a year and are successfully engaging local school kids in propagating local native plant species – what a great initiative!

Our Youth Director John Flockton told the meeting that he has had contact with the local PCYC, the manager of which is wanting to re-establish the previous relationship with Rotary. Roger suggested we could involve some of the 22 vulnerable kids who go to PCYC, in one of our Market Days, for the experience. John is following up.

Golf Day September 27 – Our annual Golf Day is our major fund raiser for the year, with the Golf Day Committee, chaired by Peter Nelson, working all year to prepare for the event. 15 teams are in and 16 sponsored holes are confirmed – great work on the part of the Committee! It's a matter of all hands to the pump on the day, so please contact Peter Nelson to let him know what you can do to help on the day. It is a good fun day starting with breakfast at the golf club, 18 holes of golf for the teams plus several competitions, culminating with lunch at Dormie house, and the raffle draw (several great prizes!)

Our guest speaker this week is Peta Seaton, who is expected to be a fascinating speaker. Barb Smith has kindly supplied the following information:

Dr Peta Seaton AM Bio Archaeology

Peta grew up in New Guinea and the Solomon Islands. She pursued her childhood passion for Middle Eastern archaeology with an Honours degree at Sydney University.

She has a PhD from Sydney University and continues to work closely with the Director of projects at Pella, and Teleilat Ghassul in Jordan, Dr Stephen Bourke AM. She is a member of the ongoing field expedition to Pella.

Peta was elected as the State Member for Southern Highlands in 1996, has worked in senior policy and strategy roles with former Premiers, and has been a Board Chair or Director for the last 15 years including Hearing Australia, NDIS, BDCU, Bradman Foundation and Nepean Hospital.

She and Lachlan run a farm at Ashton Park, Moss Vale.

Pella in Jordan

Peta will speak about the ancient site of Pella in Jordan, where the University of Sydney has been excavating for 43 years. One of the largest multiperiod sites in the region, Pella was occupied from 12,000 years ago to the Medieval/Islamic periods, and it continues to be home to a vibrant Jordanian

village community, with whom the Australian team has worked since 1979. Peta will also give a glimpse of life on a dig.

Please see the Calendar below for upcoming events:

Date	Event	Venue	Member/Speaker
3 rd September	Dinner Meeting - contact Roger by Monday	MV Services Club	Peta Seaton: the Pella dig in Jordan
7 th September	Vocational visit	Mee residence Robertson	David Mee's mineral collection
10 th September	Board Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
15 th September	MV Market Day	MV Showground	Roger Bayley Chris Slade
17 th September	Dinner Meeting & Club night prior to Golf Day	MV Services Club	Eleanor Sainsbury Peter Nelson Golf Day committee
24 th September	Joint Meeting with RC of Bowral Mittagong	MV Services Club	Rob Uhl Ross Craig – Bob Miller
27 th September	Annual Golf Day	Moss Vale Golf Club	Peter Nelson Golf Day committee
1 st October	Dinner Meeting	MV Services Club	Paul Stevens-King
8 th October	Board Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
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	TBC	Malcolm Webber Roger Bayley
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
3 rd December	AGM & Club Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
10 th December	Board Meeting	MV Services Club	Ross Craig
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

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