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ROTARY CLUB OF COROWA

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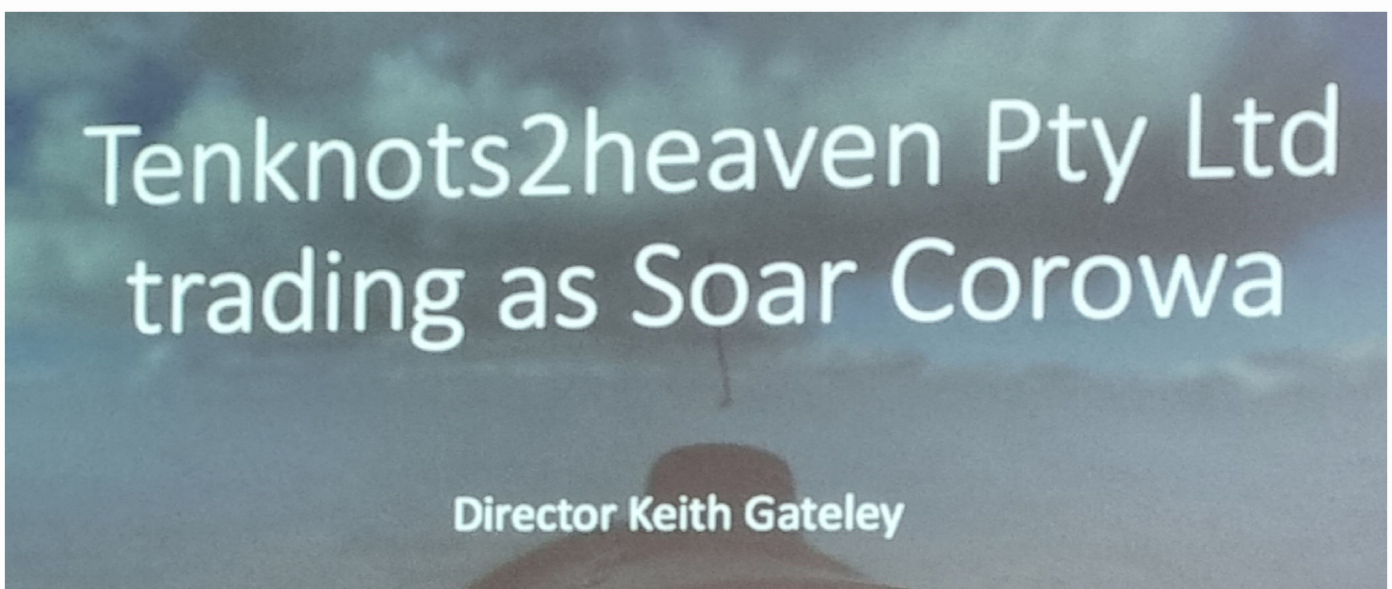
Wednesday 15th February 2023



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Guest speaker for tonight was gliding enthusiast Keith Gateley owner of Tenknots2 Heaven Pty Ltd—Soar Corowa based at Corowa Airport.

The name for his company came from that in gliding a ten knot thermal is the ultimate and Heaven is his Cadillac.



Keith's passion for flight started in 1965 at the age of four, when his family emigrated to Australia in a Qantas Comet 4.

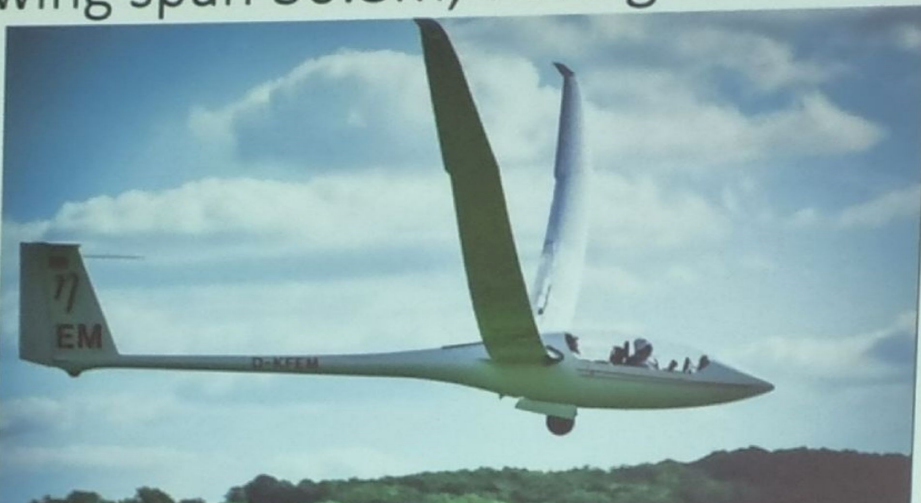
At the age of 16 living in Melbourne and heading up north on holidays he sighted gliders in Corowa and went up for his first flight.

In the 1990's he joined the Corowa Gliding Club.

His first glider was a Erwin Mueller in which he competed in Europe in the Hahnweide Competition. 200 apply to go only 100 are accepted. His longest flight was in Germany on the 4th August 2019, 1038km, 9.5 hours using 3.4lt petrol.

Keith will be heading over to Germany in May to compete again.

ta, wing span 30.8m, 70:1 glide ratio 2 seats



Binder eb29r 62:1 glide ratio, single seat
2022 world championship, 6 in the top 10



Opportunities for gliding growth in Corowa

- Soar Corowa, established.
- Competition, 20m 2 seat Nationals, starts on Saturday for 8 days.
- Other club visits, Mount Beauty Gliding Club here for past 12 months
- Grass roots Corowa Gliding Club, some interest, yet to be formed.
 - Old Corowa Winch purchased
 - Old Club Glider IS-28 purchased
- Club Camps
- More competitions, planning in progress
- Host a world Gliding Competition, possible, 10 year blue sky plan

View of an under utilised airport



Corowa is an ideal area for gliding which relies on Cumulus cloud for the thermal energy. Keith has a Binder ES29 glider to lease out to competent pilots. They handmade and only 3 are made per year.

He is part of the gliding community of Club Aero Bad Nauhiem in Germany a unique club with a business model that leases out a commercial building and a restaurant under their club facilities which finances their club equipment.

Keith hopes to put Corowa on the map worldwide as a destination for gliding. He has organized a competition for 8 days commencing Sat 18th Feb, best time to visit is around 11 am. All welcome.

He needs around 10 interested people to form the Corowa Gliding Club to help kickstart the underutilized potential of our town.



MEETING NOTES

No International Toast or Rotary Information this week.

Corowa Wahgunyah Mixed Probus Club are have a bus trip to the Halve Waste Recycling Centre in Lavington & lunch at the Jindera Hotel on Tuesday 7th March, Cost \$25. Please contact Neil & Wendy Davis 0418 687 184

Youth Inbound/Rebound Weekend this week at St Johns in Corowa.

Then the Inbounds head off for their trip to Kangaroo Island.

Ride to Conference 2023— Graham Brown & Neil Davis. Board has approved a \$500 donation from the Club. Graham is seeking individual donations from Corowa Rotarians. Please contact Graham is you a willing to donate.

KVE Catering—March 18th—Numbers for assistance are being taken now, please contact Gary Poidevin if you are able to assist and haven't put your name down yet.

Corowa Sheep Sales Catering on Monday 20th February

BBQ & Coffee/tea etc. Volunteers from 6am to 2pm.

Gary, Robyn, Neil, Rose, Graeme, Howard, David T, anyone else is able to assist even for short time, that would be fantastic.



Presidents Muscat
Andrej—Rose will keep it safe.

Cut the Cards—**Ace of Diamonds**
Norm O'Flaherty

Wednesday 8th March is our Combined Meeting with
Rutherglen Rotary Club
Corowa Golf Club—6.30 for 7.00pm start. \$30 per head.

MEETING—WEDNESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY —ROYAL HOTEL- 6.30 PM FOR 7.00 PM START

GUEST SPEAKER—DEBRA EVERINGHAM, PAST EXCHANGE STUDENT

CHAIRMAN—ALLAN

TREASURER—RAY

ROTARY GRACE—DAVID T

LOYAL TOAST—HOWARD

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ROTARY INFORMATION—MEL

SERGEANTS HELP—ROBYN

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GUEST SPEAKER—MARGARET BROWN—COROWA ROTARY WEBSITE

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**The Rotary Club of Corowa meets every WEDNESDAY
at The Royal Hotel: 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start** President

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