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Club Meetings:

Weekly on Tuesdays, 6.00pm for 6.30pm at various Southern Highlands venues. (See below)

Meeting apologies by Sunday for the following Tuesday. Please txt Trevor Fair.

Date	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist
14 Feb	Bowral Bowling Club	Valentine's Day Social Meeting	David McCosh
21 Feb	Annesley	Ian Law/The Environment	Will Eddowes
28 Feb	Bowral Bowling Club	Christine Gray/A Healthy Life Style	Tim Bowland
07 Mar	Kookabar	Tim Bowland/Member Story	Pamela Brown



You're never too old to make Valentine's Day special!

Our 14th February meeting is a Social Meeting so bring your partner..... or anyone else you are fond of!

International Toast and Invocation : Ian Donges.
Granada is celebrating its Independence Day today and tonight we will be offering our International Toast to the **Rotary Club of Granada**.

Granada is part of the Lesser Antilles Island chain which runs north off the coast of South America. It was occupied as a French colony in the 17th Century and ceded to Britain by the Treaty of Paris which ended the Seven Years War in 1763.

It remained a British colony until 1974 when it achieved its independence. There was a political insurrection in 1983 which was ended by an invasion led by the United States when a less socialist government was restored.

The population is only 124 000, the Capital is St. George's and the principal economic activity, not surprisingly is tourism.

The Club was Chartered in 1968 in District 7030 which has 70 Clubs over 17 nations. It has 40 Members led by **President Juan Bailey**.



Members recently completed and handed over a community play park and provided back packs and school supplies for special needs students in St. George's schools.

In recognition of the Independence Day of Granada would you please be upstanding and make our International Toast to the President and Members of the Rotary Club of Granada.

Journalist : Trevor Fair

Venue : The Kookabar

Sergeant Jim Gasson, standing in for Lynton who is having his own “adventure” in New Zealand, welcomed all including guests **DGN Rob Uhl**, **Rory Matthews** guest of **Don Graham** and Robert de Jongh’s long suffering sister-in-law **Fran**.



The always convivial meeting at Pascal’s Kookabar

Welcome to **President Leigh**

Leigh opened the meeting with a Welcome to Country, followed by the International Toast and Invocation by **Ian Donges**.

Announcements:

The Storage Shed needs a good tidy up, and the vegetation at the back of the shed cut back.

The Trailer needs cleaning and re-stocking. The 23rd of February at 9 am was suggested and members indicated their willingness by a show of hands.

The Southern Highlands Music Festival
3rd March at the Bong Bong Racecourse.



Eskimo Jo performing

“Non-stop entertainment starts at 1pm with Bluey and Bingo. Main stage live music commences at 1:30 with a feast of Aussie talent headlined by iconic band, Eskimo Jo at 8:45 pm. Bring a blanket and chairs and enjoy the best the Highlands has to offer”.

We have been asked to provide sausages and drinks for the kidlings.
8 volunteers needed- currently there are 4,000 registrations.
12:30 to 3:30pm has been suggested. A volunteer list was circulated.

ROMAC Appeal Members have received an email appeal for donations. Donations have dropped off due to Covid, and funds are urgently required.



Mission Statement
ROMAC provides surgical treatment for children in Australia and New Zealand from developing countries from our Pacific Region in the form of Life Giving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

St Judes School, Tanzania is looking for marketing support. Please refer to the recent email from Gemma.

Next week’s meeting – Valentine’s Day – Partner Night at Bowling Club.

Membership

Carolina Torregrosa has resigned from our Club. In the short period that Carolina was a member she was fully involved in so many activities including editing this bulletin. She is missed! We wish her every happiness in her new life in Nowra.

Tim Bowland



As incoming Membership Director, Tim gave us a brief outline of his intended approach to the role next year. Fun and affordable is the aim. Need to change the marketing of membership. Tim is undertaking a review and producing a Club Plan.

DGN Rob Uhl

Rob has just returned from Timor Leste having last visited on our club's RAWCS project in 2017.



The 2017 Club team visiting Libby's Community Centre.

Rob re-visited Libby Bleakley's community centre which includes a sewing centre making saleable products which help to finance the centre. One of the current issues is that with local markets closed due to COVID, products including aprons and bags were not able to be sold. Rob brought some back with her and has them for sale. Beautifully made and colourful, several were sold to members at the meeting.

Don Graham – Overview of 2023-24

President Elect Don gave us a quick-fire summary of who would be on his Board next year and the hope that he has that our Club will be able to renew its involvement with a RAWCS project, - possibly another building project in Fiji in August. To this end there will be a meeting this Friday 10th February at 10.30am for anyone interested in being part of the project.

The 2023/214 Board includes,

Tim Bowland
Allan Falvey
Trevor Fair
Robert de Jongh
Ian Law PE
Robbie Allen - Youth assisted by David Rees,
Robert de Jongh
Rod Aistrophe - International
Rosemary Kelly - Social / Fun
Denise Coad- Programs/venues
Leigh Robinson- PP - + ADG

Sergeant Session - Jim's short fines session's theme had a political tone.

Raffle - Robert de Jongh, but the Joker is still elusive!

Leigh closed the meeting by thanking Pascal & Chloe for their hospitality.



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It is an approved Rotary International project.

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