The Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong District 9710 - Chartered 26 March 1940

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President: Linda Knight 0418 126 240 Secretary: Sue Adams 0438 249 703 Meetings: 6:00 for 6:30 Highlands Golf Club, Old Hume Highway Mittagong NSW 2575

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Visiting Rotarians		
Guests		
Next meetings	Tuesday 8 November, 2016	Thursday 17 November, 2016
Location	Highlands Golf Club	Bong Bong Race Course
Program	Club Assembly	Partners Night
Speaker	Chair – President Linda	Linda Knight
Intro/Vote of Thanks	Linda Knight	Linda Knight
Dinner Fees	Rose Conley	Stan Cornwall
Journalist	Jacinta Sheridan	Mick Lendrum
Regalia	Jim Harrison	BYO Glass, Saddles and Whips

If you are unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Ray Williams by email rayjenw@bigpond.com

Raporteur Extraordinaire: John Elder



President Linda opened the meeting and welcomed two guests: Tom Parkinson and Jim Adams. Whilst normally proposing a toast to Rotary, Linda on this occasion propose a toast to Rotarians, without whom nothing much would happen.



The International Toast was proposed by Louie Liberale to the Rotary Club of Alger Ia Blanche in Algeria after first advising the meeting of the following details of that club and the history of its country.



Today is the National Day of Algeria which descends from the Carthaginian civilisation along the north coast of Africa, a rival to the Roman Empire around 100 to 200 years BC and which ultimately lost the Punic Wars and became the Roman province of Numidia.

It was swept up in the Arab Muslim expansion of the late first millennium AD and was later controlled by Spain and France.

Following the Second World War the remains of the French Empire fought a losing struggle against the Algerian National Liberation Front beginning on 1st November, 1954 ending with a peace settlement and independence in 1962.

The Capital, Algiers, is a city of over 2 million on the Mediterranean coast. It is home to the **Rotary Club of Alger Ia Blanche - Algiers the White**.

The Club was chartered in 1998 in District 7030 which also covers Tunisia, Mauritania and Morocco. The first Club in Algeria was chartered in 1930. Now there are 12 Clubs in Algeria, a 50% increase over the last two years. Alger la Blanche has 16 Members led by **President Abdullah Belaribi.**

President Linda has written to the club to expressing best wishes to it and to the people of Algeria and advising that the 46 members of our Club were pleased to recognise the National Day of Algeria as we toasted the Rotary Club of Alger la Blanche at our meeting on Tuesday, 1st November.

Ray Williams and **Will Eddowes** asked for help at Bong Bong Races and a roster was circulated. (more help still needed – updated roster to be circulated by email: dig deep, please).

Rosemary Kelly got a letter from the Appin Guides thanking us for Ian Johnson and our support.

Don't forget movie tickets from **Gwenda** and **Gerry** advised that The Empire is the best independent cinema in the country.

Robert de Jong will soon be working in Sumbawa, Indonesia for at least 2 years and as a result, will not be President next year.

Brian Pattinson reported on yet another (7th) successful Dream Cricket day despite the threatening weather. He thanked all who participated for making the day so successful and expressed his appreciation for the continued support of the Sponsors. **Tom Parkinson** said he thought that Brian was too humble; he watched him manage curved balls all day (pardon the pun).



Chris Benton could do with a visit after some tough times in the last few weeks.

We have agreed to a request from Wingecarribee Shire Council for a sausage sizzle on Friday 25 November 5pm-7pm for the launch of the Southern Highlands Arts Fund at the Bowral Memorial Hall. Crew to be finalised.



Because we all had the post Melbourne Cup syndrome, President Linda asked Tom Parkinson to entertain us with a Melbourne Cup and racing theme. For a full half-hour he entertained us with lots of horsey jokes and amusing and interesting stories and songs about nags.



Looking casual but gorgeous in a fascinator, Tom started with some brief Melbourne Cup trivia about past Melbourne Cup winners and then proceeded to tell jokes - my favourite two are:

- How do you make a small fortune on horse racing? Start with a large fortune.
- What did one horse say to the other horse? Your pace is familiar but I can't remember the mane.

He concluded with a number of songs with a Horsey theme that included questions about the subjects (such as *Mister Ed* and *The Goodiwindi Grey*) and had many in the audience singing along with Frankie Laine's 1958 hit: Rawhide. Australian country singers included Buddy Williams, Chad Morgan and Slim Dusty.

Tom's efforts attracted great appreciative applause.

The usual weekly raffle was held – as were the breath of those present as someone has to win soon, and BIG TIME. Graham Jones dipped out on the dollars by drawing the Six of Clubs instead of the Joker but he got a bottle of wine...



President Linda closed the meeting with the homily:

I don't know the Key to Success, but the Key to Failure is to try and please everyone.

AND A FURTHER HEADS-UP:

BONG BONG RACES IN TWO WEEKS: WE STILL NEED <u>MANY HELPERS</u> FOR MARK OUT, BBQ SET-UP, VARIOUS TEAMS ON THE DAY AND BBQ KNOCK-DOWN.

ROSTERS OUT AGAIN NEXT WEEK.

MORE HELPERS STILL NEEDED – THINK BIG, PEOPLE

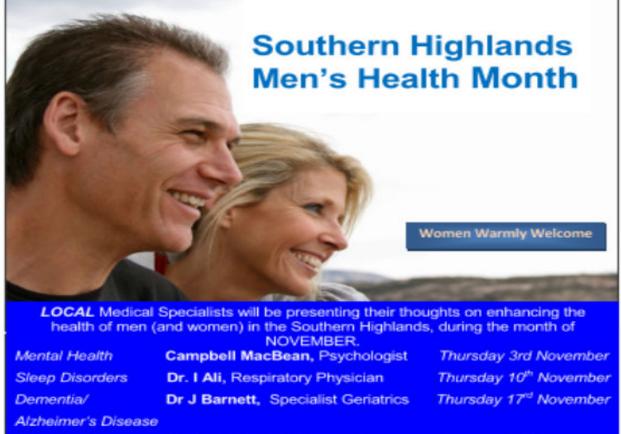
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PLEASE MARK THESE DAYS IN YOUR DIARY???

• Bong Bong Races – 18 November

• Club Christmas Party – 20 December





Bone Health Dr. N Hartnell, Orthopedic Surgeon Thursday 24th November Plus 4 Local GPs, Pharmacy, Exercise Physiology and Diet

WHEN: Four Thursdays in November at 6pm(Sharp)-7:30pm

WHERE: <u>St. Jude's Anglican Church Auditorium,</u> <u>Bendooley St., Bowral</u>

WHO WILL BENEFIT? : Men of all ages.... and their partners and their familyand their mates.

Plenty of parking, wheelchair access, light refreshments available.

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