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Club Meetings: Attendance & Apologies

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

Contact: TREVOR FAIR of your attendance or apologies

Deadline is 5pm Friday. T: 02 4861 6917 M: 0403 176 958 email: trevorfair5@bigpond.com

Please be considerate and respond. Unannounced members and guests may miss out on a meal.

“What’s On?”

Date	Meeting Venues	Speaker/ Topic	Journalist	Invocation & International Toast
25 Feb	Bowral Bowling Club	Roma Dix Brail Musicians	Barbara Humphries	Ian Johnson
4 March	Bowral Bowling Club	Adam – Capernwray	Ian Langford	Tony Glenn
8 March	Bong Bong	Greyhound BBQ	N/A	N/A
11 March	Bowral Bowling Club	Lucy Hopgood Brown	David Patton	David Stranger
15-16 March	Annesley	Mental Health Training	NA	NA
18 March	Annesley		Denise Coad	Steve Hallis
23 Mar	Bundanoon	WSC planting BBQ	N/A	N/A
25 March	Bowral Bowling Club		Will Eddowes	Rosemary Kelly
1 April	Bowral Bowling Club	Mayor-Jesse Fitzpatrick	Trevor Fair	Allan Falvey
8 April	Bowral Bowling Club		Barbara Humphries	David Rees
15 April	Annesley	Judy Hannon MP Wollondilly	Ian Langford	Don Graham
24 May	WSC	Model United Nations	N/A	N/A
25-26-27 May	Mittagong RSL	S&E Challenge & Discovery Day	N/A	N/A
1 July	Annesley	Club Changeover		

Late Sept	Corbet Gardens	Tulip Times		
29 Sept	Corbet Gardens	Food & Wine Festival		
19 Oct	Bowral	Bowral Cycle Classic		
21 Nov	Bong Bong	Bong Bong Races		

NB The journalist and International Toast Roster may have changed. Check for your name.

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Sergeant Lynton opened the meeting promptly at 6:30 sharp.

The future of the club format program has been prepared by Tim and all the credit must go to Tim for tonight. Please refer to the Tulip Times Bulletin for upcoming journalist roster

Invocation and International Toast - Robert de Jongh - RC Kathmandu

Today, February 18 or Falgun 7th in the Nepalese Calendar, is the celebration of Prajatantra Diwas or Nepalese National Democracy Day. It marks the establishment of democracy in 1951 and the end of the 104-year-long dynastic, autocratic and authoritarian rule of the Rana rulers.

On this day, the people of Nepal commemorate the victory of democracy over autocracy and the establishment of a more representative form of government. The new freedom following escape from the rule of the Rana kings opened up an opportunity for democracy and for a fair, non-discriminatory government.

The Rotary Club of Kathmandu was the first Rotary Club in Nepal and was chartered on April 13, 1959. It is one of 157 clubs in District 3292 which covers Bhutan and Nepal.

Since 1959 the club has been involved in projects such as providing water and sanitation to communities in Nepal, addressing dental health, facilitating the purchase and distribution of laptop computers to schools, training women's rights leaders on how to address violence against women, improving agricultural efficiency, and improving the capacity of local health care professionals to act as first responders for medical services in emergencies by training trainers.

Over the last 10 years the club has been successful in obtaining nine Global Grants addressing Rotary's areas of focus.

The club's current projects include:

- Project Jhola (Bag) – a program that provides school bags to children in Nepal who are marginalized and attend schools in remote areas. The aim of this project is to provide school bags to more than 100,000 students by 2030.
- Providing training in information technology to public school teachers who then formed a pool of trainers for expansion of the training to all the provinces in Nepal.
- Building toilet facilities for schools.
- Increasing awareness and understanding of mental health issues.

The club is also looking for further club-to-club and global grant initiatives.

The club sponsors two Interact Clubs and two Rotaract Clubs. It has 42 members and is led by President Sushil Karki.

Would you please stand and toast the President and members of the Rotary Club of Kathmandu.

Lynton provided some additional detail to the RC Kathmandu. The membership of the club comprises of millionaires.

Welcome to honorary member Jim Gasson and President Bob.

President Bob advised that there is an upcoming Nepalese Festival 1 March from 2pm to 6pm.

First Aid Mental Health course. Contact Leigh if you would like to attend

MUNA planning is well underway. First meeting to be held 19th Feb at Oxley Partners. 8 schools have shown interest. The High Commissioner from Pakistan is coming and would like to be a judge.

Leigh - evening facilitator

4 topics being;

- Community Projects
- PR
- Internal communication
- Sustainability ongoing

Each table was randomly allocated one of the topics to workshop. Looking for 4-5 issues to discuss.

Community Projects

Community must know where the club dollars go. Currently there is a large amount of money in bank which is not currently allocated.

Age of members prevents some members to perform tasks, also an opportunity to partner with other community members/groups.

There is an assumption that the community understands what Rotary does. Need to use media to present a structured message.

Structure of club. Needs some work to improve structure. Committee structure however needs commitment from members.

Two thoughts on community projects

1. concert, choir etc
2. Building project to engage community

PR / Communication

Letting people know what we do, how we do, where the money goes, projects.

Aim it to attract members,

Needs a board director (eg Don G).

Historically newspaper column etc.

Other avenues special events etc

Most PR is positive.

Recommend get on both radio stations as well as the 2 newspapers, to promote both local and international projects.

Club pamphlets should be revisited.

Club website needs to be reviewed.

Internal Communications

Principle 1 leveraging membership and their backgrounds. Need to have projects that utilise and leverage the expertise and engagement of the wider community. PCYC May be an opportunity to leverage young community members.

What grabs you every time you see the news? Where is the intervention? Youth and crime. Maybe there is an opportunity to mentor the youth and steer them in a positive direction.

Mentoring is a method of communicating to the community. Need a useful project.

Sustainability

Projects and member involvement. Organised projects require length of shifts and job descriptions. Time management needs to be improved.

Club logistics need to be shared to allow / encourage newer members to be involved.

Cost of membership of Rotary. Meals, subscriptions etc has been discussed. cost of meetings is more an issue than than the subscriptions. One suggestion was to have the formal meeting first then a meal. Only those who wanted to stay would need to buy their own meal. At another club this did not work well.

Most Rotarians will commit where they are tapped on the shoulder.

Leigh summed up the evening and floated other topics not raised tonight were Corporate membership and Career nights

Thank you for your contribution. This will be an ongoing project.

Raffle - Winner was Ian Langford. 6 diamonds

Birthdays

FEBRUARY: Denise Coad 9th, Allan Falvey 10th, Graham Castle 11th, John Hoelle 24th, Steven Hallis 27th.
MARCH: Tony Glenn 1st, Vanessa Aylett 9th, Luciano 22nd, Bruce Sutton 24th.

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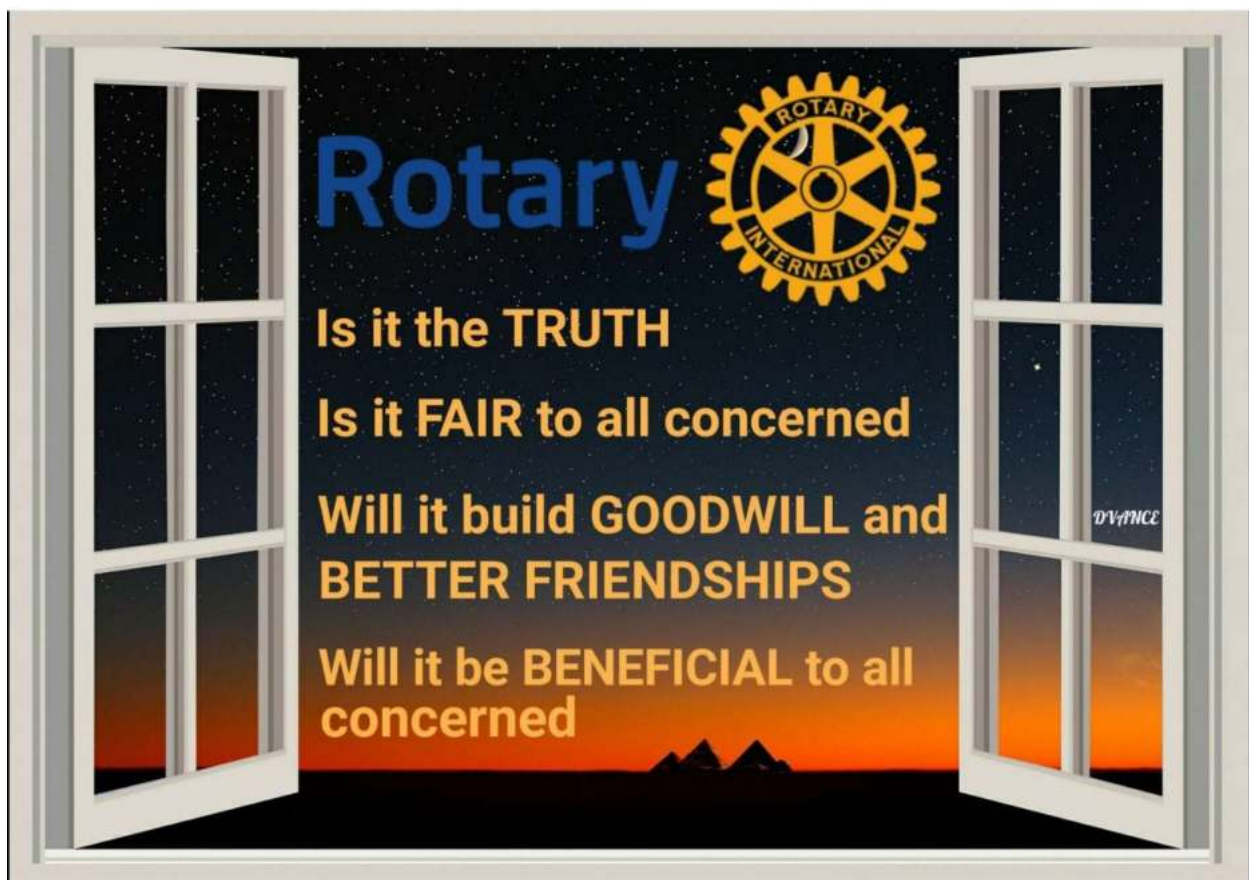
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