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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If you are unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Trevor Fair by email trevorf@oxleypartners.com.au

Journalist - Trevor Fair

Welcome - Linda Knight

Guests welcomed included;

Ian Johnson, Mary Ramsey, Matt Froome and Rens.

A moment silence was observed in memory of the Manchester incident.

International Toast – Jim Harrison



Argentina will celebrate its National Independence Day on Thursday 25th May marking its declaration of independence from Spain in 1810.

It was first visited by Europeans in 1502 when Amerigo Vespucci, an Italian explorer, financier, navigator and cartographer discovered it on his third voyage west, exploring on behalf of Spain which claimed the territory. The Americas were named after him.

Buenos Aires, named for its clean air, was first settled in 1536. After nearly three centuries the colonists were no longer prepared to defer to Spain and declared independence. It took 10 years of fighting to finally drive the Spanish out and establish Argentina which nowadays has a population of over 44 million. Bueanos Aires is now a city of 3 million.

The Rotary Club of Monserrat is located near the city centre. It was c2017-05-23hartered in 1979 in District 4895 which covers the National Capital District and surrounds with 92 Clubs.

President Nestor Saruba leads 36 Members who are heavily involved in their community. The Club awards Primary School Scholarships to children of poor families to assist with their education and has received a Rotary Foundation Grant to assist in running a micro credit facility, like the Gramin Bank to finance local small community enterprises.



Induction

Ian Johnson has decided to re-join the RC of Bowral-Mittagong from the RC of Kings Cross. Welcome (again Ian).



Funny stories - Linda decided to celebrate Christmas in May with some friends. Had a turkey in the frig, a left over form the sales, had been in frig for months, together with ham pork etc Contacted Lions Club for the pudding. Had an early morning delivery from an attractive Lion.

David Rees - one does not sleep since his retirement so well

plays games on computer, Microsoft adds pop up regularly, Thought he recognised the person, then it clicked that it was Jacqui Parkinson promoting number plates.

Announcements

Jim Harrison - 8 awardees attending with total of 40 attendees. Please advise Trevor to ensure you have a seat for you and your partner, as well as a meal.

Warrigal retirement village Thursday 10 am Morning Tea & Art Show

Rob Uhl - Rens is giving his departure speech on 20th June. Please bring partners

Guest Speaker

Guest Speaker Ian Johnson introduced by Lynton Kettle

Thank you Lynton for introducing me to Rotary. Sue Adams asked me to give a talk on my life and career. I will be referring to my teleprompter so be patient.

Have had a very fortunate life in my 65 years. Grew up in Wagga Wagga . Joined father's joinery business (90 employees) in 1952 - 1990. Joinery in those days used proper timber, maple, black wattle red cedar. The business employed many nationalities who undertook shop fitting, church pews etc.

Social side of life - joined Rotaract and became a President. Also in scouts which included leadership and hiking. Hiked from Tumbarumba to Talbingo.

Challenges in life keep coming. It is how you deal with the challenges that defines you.

President of KC Rotary in the year he lost his wife.

Worked in Queensland for 9 years. Area gets rain 2 m rain pa. While there had 2 girls. Moved to Bowral and the daughters went to Oxley College. The only way to get girls out of house was to sell the house. Amber and Lucinda are both good travellers.

Have a few vices including skiing, flying, hiking. While in Qld gained builders licence and now learning about passive house designs.

Everyone gets up every day expecting to enjoy life, however one never knows when there will be a challenge to confront.

Linda thanked Ian for his enjoyable talk.



Joker Draw

Will Eddowes won a bottle of wine, but the Jack of Spades was drawn from the deck.

Linda closed the meeting early (7:53) and thanked everyone for attending.