

# The Rotary Club of TAMWORTH FIRST LIGHT bulletin bulletin bulletin bulletin



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## *Brett's Banter -*

### Quote of the week

Prayer for the female shoppers -for Louise and Annette - after returning from a week long shopping frenzy in Hong Kong.

Our Cash  
Which art on plastic  
Hallowed be thy name  
Thy Cartier watch  
Thy Prada bag  
In Myer  
As it is in David Jones  
Give us each day our Platinum Visa  
And forgive us our overdraft  
As we forgive those who stop our Mastercard  
And lead us not into Katies  
And deliver us from Sussans  
For thine is the Dinnigan, the Akira and the Armani  
For Chanel No. 5 and Eternity  
Amex

The first vocational visit this Rotary year was to the SES Headquarters in Tamworth. Thanks to Neil and Heather for their hospitality and informative talk and tour of the facility. Greg Birtles presented a cheque for \$3,500.00 to the SES, being the net proceeds of the Pedal the Peel, which has already been ear marked for training equipment and material.

The Golfers are leaving early Friday for the Nelson Bay social, golf and fellowship weekend. I will wave goodbye and provide the carton of soft drink at 5.30 am.

Terry Robo will want to capture those members who have not completed a child protection form and will have forms to complete available at the meeting.

Have a great weekend.  
Brett

## AND FOR THE NEWS

27 October 2009 – Big Business Thinking lecture – Capital Theatre  
6:30 pm – Adults \$60, Concession \$50. Leaflets left on the tables last week  
– arranged by the Tamworth Development Corporation.

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### **POLIOPLUS FUND RAISER – Wednesday, 11 November at 6:30 pm**

**at Forum 6 - Cinema 4**

**Tickets \$15.00 (purchase from  
Jane Bradford (6766 6100) or**

**AG Phillip Crossing 0427 276 700 only –  
must be paid for by Friday, 6 November.**

**Only 140 tickets to sell and some already sold....**

**The movie is**

**“AMELIA”**

**starring Hilary Swank and Richard Gere**

*the legend, the love, the mystery...*

*Please book soon and support Rotary*

*in its final push to eliminate*

*Polio from the world –*

*so very close now.....*

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**Interclub Debate on Thursday, 19 November** – we have a great debating  
team in Simon Chamberlain, Phil Penman and Chris Sheppeard – we will be  
there in numbers to support you – so please diarise now.....

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**Science & Engineering Challenge** – the dates are 15 – 17 March 2010 –  
always worth a visit and being involved (**will be celebrating 10 years**)

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# CALENDAR 2009/2010 EVENTS

27 October	“Bringing Big Business Thinking” to the Capital Theatre – 6.30 pm
7 – 11 November	Blue Angel Quilt & Collectable Exhibition – details to follow
<b>11 November</b>	<b>Amelia – Movie – PolioPlus Fund Raiser</b>
15 November	Family Tennis Afternoon (Self Catering) 1.00 – 5.00 pm (Moore Creek)
<b>19 November</b>	Inter-Club Great Debate – Tamworth Tennis Club, Treloar Park
<b>28 November</b>	Christmas Party – Rugby Club – <b>diarise now</b>
<b>26 January</b>	<b>Combined Rotary Clubs involved all day Bicentennial Park</b>
<b>22 – 28 February</b>	Australia-wide Campaign for PolioPlus
<b>06 March</b>	<b>1,000<sup>th</sup> First Light Meeting CELEBRATIONS</b>
<b>12 – 14 March</b>	District 9650 Conference, Port Macquarie – Book accommodation early
15 – 17 March	Science & Engineering Challenge
<b>19 May</b>	<b>Career’s Expo - TRECC</b>
<b>19 June</b>	<b>Tamworth First Light Changeover &amp; Charter CELEBRATIONS</b>
<b>29 June</b>	<b>Tamworth Club’s Changeover and Anniversary - 20 Years</b>
<b>30 June</b>	<b>District Changeover</b>

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## VOCATIONAL VISIT

**SES BUILDING** – greeted by Neil Carless and Heather Hunter representing the SES who proved to be charming hosts.

Our thanks also go to Terri Morris from Best Western Sanctuary Inn for providing an excellent breakfast to all who attended.

Greg Birtles presented the SES with a cheque for \$3,500 being the profit from our Club’s inaugural “Pedal the Peel” and associated activities.

Neil Carless thanked our Club and said that the funds would be put to very good use and would be appreciated by all members with plans already ear marked for training equipment and material.

The SES with new members almost completing their training will be 25 and hoped to be up to 30 members by the end of this year.

Both Neil and Heather conducted groups through the SES quarters and a great start to a busy Wednesday for all present.

# Rotary Info

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## **Rotary's Guiding Principles**

Throughout Rotary's history, several basic principles have been developed to guide Rotarians in achieving the ideal of service and high ethical standards.

## **Object of Rotary**

First formulated in 1910 and adapted through the years as Rotary's mission expanded, the Object of Rotary provides a succinct definition of the organization's purpose as well as the club member's responsibilities.

The **Object of Rotary** is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

**FIRST** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

**SECOND** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

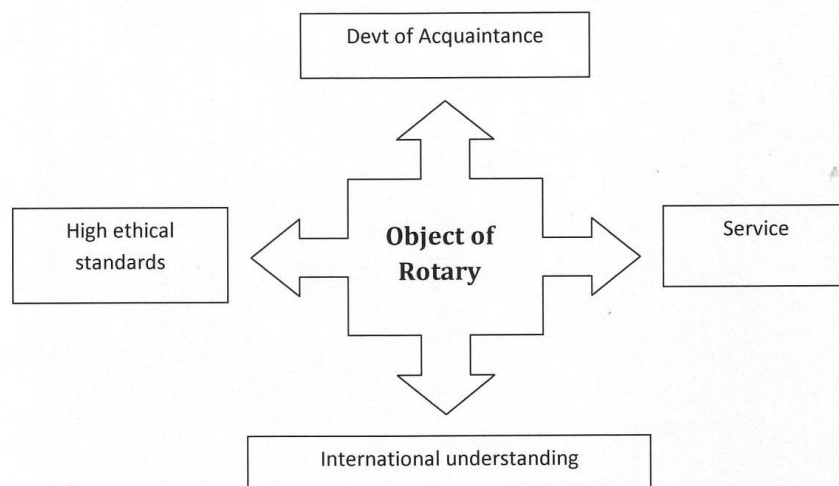
**THIRD** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

**FOURTH** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

## **Classification principle**

By assigning each member a classification based on his or her business, profession or community interest, this system ensures that the club's membership reflects the business and professional composition of its community. The number of members holding a particular classification is limited according to the size of the club. There can be up to five people in the same classification, so there is no need to search for something unique in our relatively small club.

The goal is diversity, which enlivens the club's social atmosphere and provides a rich resource of occupational expertise to carry out service projects and provide club leadership.



**Information courtesy of the Rotary Club of Coonabarabran**

# **SCHOOL -- 1957 vs. 2007**

## **Scenario:**

**Jack goes rabbit shooting before school,  
Pulls into school parking lot with rifle in gun rack.**

**1957** - Vice Principal comes over, looks at Jack's rifle, goes to his car and gets his rifle & chats with Jack about guns.

**2007** - School goes into lock down, Star Force called, Jack hauled off to jail and never sees his Ute or gun again.. Counsellors called in for traumatized students and teachers.

## **Scenario:**

**Johnny and Mark get into a fistfight after school.**

**1957** - Crowd gathers. Mark wins. Johnny and Mark shake hands and end up buddies.

**2007** - Police called, arrests Johnny and Mark. Charge them with assault, both expelled even though Johnny started it. Both children go to anger management programs for 3 months. School board hold meeting to implement bullying prevention programs

## **Scenario:**

**Robbie won't be still in class, disrupts other students.**

**1957** - **Robbie** sent to office and given 6 of the best by the Principal. Returns to class, sits still and does not disrupt class again.

**2007** - Robbie given huge doses of Ritalin. Becomes a zombie. Tested for ADD. Robbie's parents get fortnightly disability payments and School gets extra funding from state because Robbie has a disability.

## **Scenario :**

**Billy breaks a window in his neighbour's car and his Dad gives him a whipping with his belt.**

**1957** - Billy is more careful next time, grows up normal, goes to college, and becomes a successful businessman.

**2007** - Billy's dad is arrested for child abuse. Billy removed to foster care and joins a gang. State psychologist tells Billy's sister that she remembers being abused herself and their dad goes to prison.

Scenario :

**Mark gets a headache and takes some aspirin to school.**

**1957** - Mark gets glass of water from Principal to take aspirin with.

**2007** - Police called, Mark expelled from school for drug violations. Car searched for drugs and weapons.

Scenario :

**Pedro fails high school English.**

**1957** - Pedro goes to summer school, passes English and goes to college.

**2007** - Pedro's cause is taken up by state. Newspaper articles appear nationally explaining that teaching English as a requirement for graduation is racist. AFRE files class action lawsuit against state school system and Pedro's English teacher. English banned from core curriculum. Pedro given diploma anyway but ends up mowing lawns for a living because he cannot speak English.

Scenario :

**Johnny takes apart leftover firecrackers from 4th of July, puts them in a model airplane paint bottle, blows up a bull ant's nest.**

**1957** - Ants die.

**2007**- Star Force, Federal Police & Anti-terrorism Squad called. Johnny charged with domestic terrorism, Feds investigate parents, siblings removed from home, computers confiscated. Johnny's Dad goes on a terror watch list and is never allowed to fly again.

Scenario :

**Johnny falls while running during recess and scrapes his knee. He is found crying by his teacher, Mary. Mary hugs him to comfort him.**

**1957** - In a short time, Johnny feels better and goes on playing.

**2007** - Mary is accused of being a sexual predator and loses her job. She faces 3 years in Prison. Johnny undergoes 5 years of therapy .

**How stupid have we become!  
Think about it!**



Rotary International District 9650  
**Jo Wilkin**  
Governor 2010-2011  
**Expression of Interest for District Role 2010-2011**

This is an exciting time to be involved in Rotary International! Our membership numbers are gradually climbing once again, and we have nearly completed one of the greatest health programs in history - the eradication of polio. Our International President Elect, Ray Klingensmith from Kirkville, USA, is forward looking and eager to consider how we can do things in ways that achieve even better outcomes.

Moreover, there is clearly more need than ever before for the work we do here and around the world. The financial crisis, natural disasters, poverty, illiteracy, disease and lack of clean water all continue to create a world where inequity and injustice cannot be ignored.

If you would like to be a part of the District 9650 Team for 2010-2011, would you please indicate below what particular areas of interest, expertise or experience you may have. The District Directory is a good place to start - look through it and see in what area you might be able to contribute to our program of 'doing good in the world', as we, through our Foundation and through our club and district projects, aim to do.

Could you indicate any specific committee or position you would be prepared to undertake during 2010-2011, and return the information to me by Sunday 15 November - we are required now to submit to RI the names of all district committee members before the end of the year.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Position or committee preferences:

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Relevant experience in or out of Rotary:

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Would you please email this information to me at [jo.wilkin@gmail.com](mailto:jo.wilkin@gmail.com), or post to DGE Jo Wilkin, 'Ulalah', 464 Maranoa Road, Coonabarabran, NSW 2357

Yours in Rotary service,  
Jo Wilkin  
District Governor 2010-2011

## ARTIST'S CORNER

The idea for this section was to find out about “hidden” talents within our Club’s membership and we have had some wonderful insights to date – **Thank you Narelle Langfield** and a gentle reminder to Dennis Maunder for an item for next week please....

We certainly have some talented women in our Club – Pottery, Painting and now Knitting.....

Narelle says:

“I just love knitting, my mother taught me to knit as I was growing up in Currabubula. She also taught me to only knit with pure wool and that is all I will use. Mum knitted all our jumpers, gloves, socks, bennies and special items such as a pink bolero which I will always remember wearing.

When I was about ten years of age, my dad asked me to knit a doll’s layette to raffle at the Currabubula gymkhana. I really enjoyed knitting the dress, booties and mittens in a lemon coloured wool. On the day of the gymkhana I walked around selling tickets and was finally asked to draw the winning ticket.



Would you believe I draw out my own ticket and, of course, my mum said it must be a re-draw.

A beautiful “elder” of the Currabubula community said “No. Narelle knitted it, has walked around all day selling tickets, bought a ticket. It is hers.”

So here is the bonnet of that layette today 47 years later.



### Jason and myself

This full length matinee jacket I knitted for my son, Jason in 1973.

My other children, Melanie and Matthew have also worn this jacket.

(I am so glad I have retained this, particularly in our “throw away” world and I hope my children will pass this down to their children.)



This is the close-up of the detail in the Matinee Jacket above – the work is truly beautiful.

Over the years I have knitted cardigans and jumpers for myself, jumpers and vests for my husband and many and varied items such as booties, bonnets and layettes for my children and grandson.

Whenever I hear a friend or friend's daughter is pregnant, I immediately get out the knitting needles. I can knit a pair of booties or a bonnet in a day.

In case no one is yet aware – I love knitting”....

**Narelle Langfield**

**Note** – Members who are anticipating becoming grandparents for the first or many times – how wonderful for the new grandchild to receive something that has been knitted beautifully by Narelle in pure wool and with love – **consider**

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Greg Birtles presents a cheque to Neil Carless of Tamworth SES being proceeds of the Pedal the Peel Cycling Challenge

# Club Website

President – <b>Brett White</b>	<a href="http://www.tamworthfirstlight.org.au">www.tamworthfirstlight.org.au</a>
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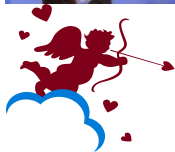
## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2009 - 2010

**Club Service – Louise Matthews**  
**Community Service – Brian Logan**  
**International Service – Vicki Cooper**  
**Vocational Service – John Worldon**  
**Youth Centre – Annette Arthur**

## Birthdays, Anniversaries & Inductions



**Birthdays** Nil



**Partners Birthdays** Nil



**Anniversaries** 28.10 – John & Jacque Fogarty (37 years)

**Inductions** Nil



**Vocational Profile** 28.10 – Barry Biffen

**Attendance** 65%

**Make Ups** Dick Davison – Tamworth West  
Mark O'Connor – E-Club

**Visitors Rotarians** None

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**Heads & Tails** Not played

**Raffle** Not played

## **PRESIDENT ASSIST**

To ensure members who are rostered for the duties of, Meeter and Greeter, Door, Visitor Assist, Welcome to our Members & Guests, Introduction of the Guest Speaker(s) and Vote of Thanks are present and if they are not to find a replacement and ensure those people's names are updated on the President's Running Sheet. Select the Table Order (after the head table).

**Need to be in attendance by 6.30 am**

## **DOOR TEAM**

To record the attendance of our members and guests, collect meeting dues, and if possible balance the cash float i.e. monies paid = money received.

**Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am**

## **MEETER & GREETER**

To meet & greet our members & welcome guests to our Club at the top of the stairs and to hand name badges to members. Also ensure any guests of members or visiting Rotarians are introduced to the Visitor Assist to ensure they are made feel welcome.

**Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am**

## **VISITOR ASSIST**

To ensure any visitors to the Club are felt welcome by introducing yourself to them and other members and guests of our Club. To also include them in fellowship before and if necessary make sure they are included with several members for breakfast and are not left on their own.

**Need to be in attendance from 6.30 am**

## **WELCOME**

To publicly welcome our Members & Guests (following the introduction) to our meeting when called upon by the President or his/her substitute.

**Need to be in attendance by 6.50 am (or earlier)**

## **INTRODUCTION**

To make yourself known to our Guest Speaker/s, assist them to the head table and sit with them. During breakfast find out some information about the guest speaker which will assist you in your introduction.

## **VOTE OF THANKS**

To move a vote of thanks to our guest speaker, and present a little thank you gift (ensure you have it before the meeting commences and take notes during their presentation to ensure your thank you is informed).

## **CORPORALS**

To assist the Sergeant by putting out all Club Property and putting away at the conclusion of the meeting. Need to be in attendance by 6:30 am.

## **CORPORAL ASSIST**

To assist the Sergeant, by putting away all Club Property at the conclusion of the meeting if the Corporals are unable to do so.

# MEETING ROSTER

- When rostered on and you can't make it – **PLEASE** find another member to fill in for you
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- Make sure that you let both the President and President Assist know before the start of the meeting
- If the above not organised the **Sergeant will love you**
- The starting time for the **DOOR team and MEETER & GREETER IS 6:30 AM**
- **Leave of Absence** - If members are going to be away for an extended period (holidays etc) please remember that a notification (letter) be sent to the Club Secretary noting date of departure and date of return and requesting "Leave of Absence" from the Club.
- **If you know you are going to be away for an extended period (holidays etc)** – **PLEASE** advice **Bruce Hemmett** by email at [bruce.013@decorama.com.au](mailto:bruce.013@decorama.com.au)
- **Please give at least TWO week's notice so the roster can be amended**
- **PLEASE** advice **Terry Burgess** – Attendance Officer by email at [ssegrub@westnet.com.au](mailto:ssegrub@westnet.com.au)

	28 October 2009	4 November 2009
Guest Speaker	Dr Rob Sharp	
Meeter & Greeter	DJ Jones	Paul Stevenson
Door Team	Brodie Shields & Barry Murphy	Graham Nuttall & Peter Ryan
Welcome	David Baddams	Rob Clifton
President Assist	Brian Yeo	Dennis Maunder
Visitor Assist	Ross Lobsey	Tim Coates
Corporal Assist	Phil Lyon	Jeanette Mouatt
Introduction	Annette Arthur	Ron Allen
Vote of Thanks	Meg Larkin	Andrew Hawkins

## CORPORALS FOR COMING MONTHS

**October**      **Phil Heffernan and Graham Dooley**  
**November**    Laurence Hearne and Barry Biffin  
**December**    Bill Moss and David Baddams  
**January**      Narelle Langfield and Ross Lobsey  
**February**     Stephen Mitchell and Brodie Shields  
**March**        Brian Yeo and John Fogarty

**UNCLEAR THINKING AND WRITING  
(USA WELFARE DEPARTMENT)  
In accordance with your instructions,  
I have given birth to twins  
in the enclosed envelope**