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Brett's Banter -

Thought – “If Lawyers are disbarred and Clergymen defrocked, doesn’t it follow that Electricians can be delighted, Musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, Models deposed, Tree surgeons debarked and Dry cleaners depressed?”

This morning John Black representing the Tamworth Model Railways, spoke to us about the realisation of their dream and how the plans for further construction are progressing. Pleased to hear about kids parties and corporate functions as a way of spreading the word and making money to put back into the next stage. We could probably have a transfer meeting up there when it is warmer and all have a ride on the trains. Toot Toot Club sounds interesting.

RYAG Equine is happening and I will talk to the participants Friday afternoon before they commence their weekend of all that is Equine in this City. Thanks to Barry and Judy for sleeping over with the participants both nights as we were unable to obtain any members able or willing to assist. Barry will report to the meeting on the results of the program next meeting.

David Hinwood reports that the Gold Coast golf trip is not only fully booked, but we have people on a waiting list. A great result and maybe a sign we need another week event.

Peter Bell on behalf of Blue Angel Foundation advised that the Comedy Debate rose over \$6,000.00, which is amazing considering just over 100 attended. Our club agreed to sponsor DJ and also donate a further \$1,000.00 to the night. Well done to all those involved and I hope it becomes an annual event.

John Worldon can now relax after Career Expo and Pride in Workmanship have been held and completed. Thanks John.

Changeover sneaking up in 3 weeks and looks like it is going to be a great night. The 20 years Club history book can be pre-ordered via Terry Burgess for \$30.00. There will be a limited print run and looks like will be sold out before or at Changeover.

Louise took Felix down to Sydney for the State of Origin and I am sure they both enjoyed the event, shame about the result though.

Have an excellent week.
Brett

NEWS

The School of St Jude

- a) Letter of thanks for donation. Donation has contributed to the construction of the secondary assembly/dining hall. The hall has now been completed and all payments have been made.
- b) Donation of Computers from Northern Inland Technology. Will cost \$10,000 to get them to Tanzania – Does anyone have any ideas how we could get them there at a much lower cost.

Bruce Hemmett – Gabi starting Radiotherapy Thursday

Terry Burgess surprised us all with his presence at breakfast - knee operation is to be rescheduled.

Career Expo John Worldon reported that Career Expo was successful and thanked all those who helped, with a special acknowledgement of Brian Logan who organised all of the lunches for the exhibitors. John also reminded us that businesses can set up a stand.

Blue Angels Great Debate Peter Bell thanked our Club for its support . \$6,500 was raised which included \$1000 from our Club. Funds will be distributed locally to assist families and individuals.

Fred Hollows Book 'Seeing is Believing' Can be borrowed from Terry Robinson.

Bike Ride 19th September –Assistance with marketing would be appreciated. See Terry Robinson.

VOCATIONAL PROFILE - Julian Smith

Julian gave an interesting overview of his architecture business. Julian's business sees projects through from design to completion. All projects are different and range from brothels to large buildings. One of Julian's current projects is the Westpac Helicopter Base at Tamworth Airport.

GUEST SPEAKER

John Black, Vice President and Publicity Officer, Tamworth Model Railway (Tamworth and District Model Engineers Inc)

John outlined the history and activities of the Model Railway. Not for Profit organisation, Incorporated six years ago and currently has 33 members from Tamworth and surrounding areas including Wee Waa, Walcha and Armidale. John acknowledged the generosity of the community and in particular JobLink Plus who have been a major contributor. Grants have been obtained from the NSW Govt (Community Projects Funding); NSW Govt Climate Change for tanks and Federal Govt Volunteer Equipment Fund. Committee has several projects to make sure that the Model Railway is funded eg sells plaques for \$2.00 on sleepers. 3000 sleepers already sold. Businesses can have name on track for \$100.00. Open to the public every third Sunday. Proceeds from those days are donated back to the Community eg Ronald McDonald House.



Barry Murphy thanks our guest speaker John Black



Fun for all! (Photo courtesy NDL)

Diary Dates

RYAG Equine Weekend 28th – 30th May Equine Centre. A couple needed to camp at the School (Oxley High) for the weekend. See Annette Arthur

Rugby Home Game 29th May - Helpers needed – see Brian Logan

Golf Gold Coast Golf Trip FULL Closed off at 60. Now have a Waiting List

Inaugural Rotary Charity Golf Day Bonville Sunday 6th June

Tamworth First Light Changeover 19 June (No Wed meeting on 23rd June)

District Changeover at Wauchope 03 July

Bike Ride 19th September

JOKES!

"Blind Golfers"

A Catholic priest, an Indian Doctor, a Rich Chinese business man and an Aussie were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers in front of them.

The Aussie fumed, "What's with those blokes? We must have been waiting for 15 minutes"

The Indian doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such poor golf"
The Chinese business man called out, "Move it, Time is money".

The Catholic priest said "Here comes George the greens keeper. Lets have a word with him.. " Hello, George what's wrong with that group ahead of us? They're rather slow aren't they" George the greens keeper replied, "Of yes that's a group of blind firemen. They lost their sight in an explosion while saving our clubhouse from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime".

The group fell silent for a moment.

The Catholic priest said, "That's so sad I think I'll say a special prayer for them tonight".

The Indian Doctor said "Good idea. I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist colleagues and see if there's anything he can do for them."

The Chinese Business man replied, "I think I'll donate Â\$ 50,000 to the Fire Brigade in honour of these brave souls"!.

The Aussie said "Why can't they play at night?"

THE GOLDEN YEARS



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Birthdays, Anniversaries & Inductions



Birthdays

08-06 Dick Davison

08-06 Simon Chamberlain

Partners

07-06 Sarah Massey

Birthdays

Anniversaries

03-06 Allan & Brenda Coates (53 yrs)

Inductions

02-06-1990 (20 years) Terry Burgess;
Dick Davison; Phil Heffernan; Ian Howle;
Dennis Johnson; Michael O'Connor;
Brian Thompson; John Treloar
07- 06 Greg Birtles (4 yrs)



Vocational Profile (2 mins)

Vicki Cooper

Attendance

79%

Make Ups

**Ron Allen & Chris Sheppard - Tamworth Sunrise
Bruce Hemmett - Randwick**

Visitors Rotarians

Visitors

Felix Frankenberg – YEP Sweden

Heads & Tails

Alan Coates

Raffle

Skinner

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
- 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
- **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

	02 June 2010	09 June 2010
Guest Speaker	Jeanette Mouatt	Felix Frankenberg
Meeter & Greeter	Peter Bell	Julian Smith
Door Team	Stephen Mitchell & Laurence Hearne	Simon Chamberlain & Phil Heffernan
Welcome	Brian Yeo	Peter Hyde
President Assist	Alan Coates	Paul Stevenson
Visitor Assist	Meg Larkin	Norm Dezius
Corporal Assist	John Fogarty	Peter Ryan
Introduction	Graham Dooley	Jim Raymond
Vote of Thanks	Annette Arthur	Di Lockwood

CORPORALS FOR COMING MONTHS

JUNE **Barry Murphy and Chris Sheppard**
JULY **Phil Lyon and Pat Varley**