



## Hinwood's Herald

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### Quote for the Week

“I love youse, I love youse all!”  
Jeff Fenech



### Louise's Herald for Hinwood

My quote is in response to the overwhelming support I received personally in the last week from more than twenty members of our Club after my “incident.”

I know I have said it before but at the risk of repeating myself, this organisation but in particular this Club, is incredible in the way it rallies around it's members. Some of us have very little in common except for Rotary & under different circumstances our lives would never cross paths, but I feel very humbled & blessed to have such a “family”.

In this same vain our thoughts are still with Bruce & Julie Hemmett & brave little Gabby.

Mark O'Connor gave us his 2 minute vocational profile & to his surprise we didn't all go to sleep. However, he told us you didn't have to be very bright to become an accountant, which I must admit I didn't find very comforting but in hindsight it explains a lot.

Peter Ryan will be taking names next week for “Guess Who's Coming To Dinner”, so please get the date sorted with your “significant other”.....Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October. For those “desperate & dateless” like myself we can just fit in anywhere, you seriously don't need a partner. It's a great concept so please join in if you haven't done so before.

Sandy Gleeson from Can Assist made us feel our donation will be well spent. Supporting over 3000 individuals each year who are affected by cancer is a phenomenal effort. They are looking for more volunteers. Can Assist meet the first Tuesday of the month, 11am upstairs at Inspirations (Peter Bell's). Sandy can be contacted on 67668169.

We had lots of visitors this morning, including my two sons Sam & Adam & Sam's partner Angela. It's a rare event to have them in the country together let alone in Tamworth with the luckiest Mother in the world.

Thank you once again for being gentle on me, I think I'm getting the hang of it now. I do apologise for not thanking our visitors for their attendance.

My word of advice this week & as a result of my injury...practice being ambidextrous!

Louise oxo

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### NEWS/NOTICES/WELL WISHES

- Gabby recovering well from brain surgery. Chemo to start this week.
- Student's Art Exhibition opening 15<sup>th</sup> October Tamworth Regional Gallery Includes works from a number of our first Light members. All Welcome.
- Guess Who's coming to Dinner is planned for the 30<sup>th</sup> October. Peter Ryan is organising, Participation sheet to passed around at next meeting.
- RYLA – Happening next year. Please think of potential participants. Also sponsorship opportunities available Gold \$5,000; Silver \$2,500 and Bronze \$1,000.
- Dick Davison collects foreign notes and coins. Notes to be exchanged at the bank and dollars towards community projects; coins will be deposited at Sydney Airport 'Cash for Kids' charity project. Collection box will be at weekly Rotary meetings.

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### VOCATIONAL SPEAKER – Mark O'Connor



Mark, a Chartered Accountant, went straight from school into a cadetship with a Newcastle firm, working full time and studying part time for his Bachelor of Commerce. Combining work and study enables the two to be meshed together and at the same time the cadet has the ability to be earning money. There is then a further 18 months of study in a Post Graduate Chartered Accountants Program. There is then another

Certificate required to practice. Mark says that you don't have to be a genius for this profession – humanity and communication skills are important.

## **GUEST SPEAKER - Sandy Gleeson – Can Assist**

*Introduced by Helen Tickle and thanked by Stuart Glover*



Photo (and frame) by Phil Lyon

Sandy is the President of the Tamworth Branch of Can Assist. The Tamworth branch started in 2005 after Sandy's return from her stay at the Jean Colvin Cancer Centre while undergoing cancer treatment. Sandy's appreciation of the excellent care and service that she and other country patients received, inspired her to start a branch in Tamworth. Recently a branch was started at Werris Creek.

Can Assist provides care and assistance for country patients and their families affected by cancer. Some examples of assistance include subsidised accommodation for patients undergoing cancer treatment; provision of a \$100.00 petrol voucher for a needy patient to access medical services; assistance with electricity bills. Over the last 12 months 20 locals have been assisted with accommodation costs at Jean Colvin Cancer Centre. As with many local volunteer organizations, demand is outstripping supply. There is a need to grow the network and access to cancer programs. You can help by becoming a volunteer or supporting fundraising functions.

### **Upcoming events:**

6<sup>th</sup> November 'Jazz at the Creek'; 12<sup>th</sup> February 2011 'Jazz in the Vines'. For more information contact Sandy on 67668169.

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> October 2010</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> October 2010</b>
Guest Speaker	Robyn Lane, Billabong Club House	Andrew Clements, DET
<i>Topic</i>	<i>Mental Health</i>	<i>Vocational Education &amp; Training</i>
Meeter & Greeter	Barry Murphy	Peter Hyde
Door Team	Diane Ford & Alan Coates	Vicki Cooper & Max May
Welcome	Ron Allen	Les Jacob
President Assist	Phil Lyon	Norm Dezius
Visitor Assist	Jeanette Mouatt	Dianna Lockwood
Corporal Assist	Brian Thompson	John Fogarty
Introduction	Pat Varley	Graham Dooley
Vote of Thanks	Chris Celovic	Graham Nuttall
Vocational Profile	Graham Nuttall	TBA

Coming weeks: 20<sup>th</sup> October – Vocational Visit, Sustainability Building, TAFE;  
27<sup>th</sup> October Guest Speaker Bob Kellow Industrial Relations.

<b>BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS</b>	
<b>Birthdays</b>	06 – 10 John Treloar
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	09 – 10 Jeannette Dezius; 10 – 10 Sandra Moss
<b>Anniversaries</b>	06 – 10 Barry & Judy Biffin (31 yrs) 06 - 10 John & Jill Toulmin (31 yrs) <b><i>(This is not a miss print!)</i></b>
<b>Inductions</b>	Nil
<b>Attendance</b>	79%
<b>Make Ups</b>	Nil
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Nil
<b>Visitors</b>	Jill Toulmin, Chris Watson, Clint Coles, Peter Franks, Sam Matthews, Adam Matthews & Angela, Larry Jacobson
<b>Head and Tails</b>	Michael Smith
<b>Raffle</b>	Brodie Shields

**CORPORALS FOR OCTOBER: Max May and Brian Yeo**

