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Quote of the Week

"In spite of the cost of living, it's still popular."

We had an 81% attendance today. Welcome back to Brodie Shields & Brett White it's good to see your mugs again at breakfast. Our visitors Benny, Felix, Andrew & Wilma from PNG and Dave's mate Kiernan from some British military force had a great time (as most of our visitors do).

A strange week, where seven of our members who were rostered on for various jobs, for different reasons couldn't make it to the meeting. A big thank you to those who pitched in to help without any fuss, Rotary in action.

Patrick Mahony reminded us of our Kilos for cash project, which has walked over 2,000kms (up past Townsville on our virtual walk) and over \$500 in the bank. I think I've given you all enough head start and will embark on my own walk, soon.

Terry Robinson reminded us of the fun that is to be had by all that attend the Science and Engineering dinner on Tuesday 22 March 2011. Please note that this is our replacement meeting for that week.

The Bowel Screening kit sales are going very well and I know it is a great chance to catch up on some gossip with the fellow members you are sharing the table with.

Jane gave us some great fines, but the best part was the 2 ½ minutes spent trying to find where the second penny went in 'two-up', and then proceeds to throw a skinner with 4 people standing, well done.

Paul Sullivan, our guest speaker, gave us a god understanding of the newly created directorate of Commercial & Community Enterprises with TRC. He was able to tell

us clearly his goals after two days in the position. We will have him back in six months or so and he can explain how much he has achieved in that time.

Our newest member, Paul Bennett was inducted today. Paul is the recently appointed General Manager of Tamworth Regional Council and is welcomed by us all. Give Paul a hand so as he feels a part of our club sooner rather than later.

At our recent board meeting we approved the second Amy (Amy Collins & Amy Robinson) to attend RYLA under our club colours. We will get them to talk with us both before and after the week long course to look at the huge impact that the week has upon them.

We also approved a cheque for \$650 to assist a young student from Oxley High School to attend a Young Astronauts Course conducted by NASA in Houston Texas USA.

A \$250 was also sent to aid two young aboriginals from the northern area of Western Australia to attend World Youth Day in Brazil later in the year.

Enjoy your week.

Regards

David

INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBER - Paul Bennett



President Dave Hinwood, newly inducted member Paul Bennett and First Lighter Helen Tickle (OK, what's the joke Dave!)

Paul moved to Tamworth from Dubbo in September 2010 to commence his new position as General Manager, Tamworth Regional Council. Paul is married to Gail and they have three children – Joseph 15, Eliza 12 and Owen

8. Paul's first introduction to Rotary was twenty four years ago when he was

selected to participate in RYLA. Paul is currently studying and MBA in Public Sector Management and Human Resource Management. His interests include Rugby, Hockey, Golf and Lawn Bowls. Welcome to First Light Paul!

Guest Speaker – Paul Sullivan, Director Commercial and Community Enterprises, Tamworth Regional Council is thanked by John Fogarty



Paul recently moved to Tamworth from Coffs Harbour to commence employment with Tamworth Regional Council in the Position of Director Commercial and Community Enterprises. Paul only commenced his employment two days ago but gave a very interesting insight into his role at TRC. Areas of

responsibility for Director Commercial and Community Enterprises include:
To represent Councils interests in Tourism through Tourism
Tamworth/Tamworth Region Development Corp/Festival
Development of Sports Development Unit Infrastructure Management/Airport,
Saleyards, Laboratory, Capital Theatre, AELEC, TRECC, Sports Dome,
Destinational Marketing (Lifestyle/investment/Relocation etc)
Implementing Business Strategy, Planning and Development, Marketing
Communication and Commercial Strategies. Paul spoke of a positive direction
with strong strategic view with some of the challenges balancing Corporate
Governance and core values. Paul is interested in seeing meaningful projects
on the ground, not just concepts. Paul's background in the private sector
together with his experience in consulting for council's throughout Australia will
see bigger and better positive outcomes for Tamworth.

VISITING DOCTOR AND NURSES FROM PNG



First Lighters Terry Robinson and Brett White catch up with Andrew Labigi, Wilma Selin, Dr Felix Diaku and John Benny.

Our visitors are participating in a three - week medical program and have been sponsored by Rotary.

HOME REMEDIES THAT REALLY WORK!

A MOUSE TRAP PLACED ON TOP OF YOUR ALARM CLOCK WILL PREVENT YOU FROM ROLLING OVER AND GOING BACK TO SLEEP AFTER YOU HIT THE SNOOZE BUTTON.

IF YOU HAVE A BAD COUGH, TAKE A LARGE DOSE OF LAXATIVES, THEN YOU'LL BE TOO AFRAID TO COUGH.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9650
LONG TERM YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM**



COME ON

GIVE AN AUSTRALIAN STUDENT THE EXPERIENCE OF AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE.

Give a male or female student aged 15 years to 18 years & 6 months from your town:

- An opportunity to develop personal self-confidence and maturity
- An opportunity to develop a lifetime of international friends
- An opportunity to develop a real understanding of many different cultures
- An opportunity to develop new language skills
- An opportunity to develop a base for future education and career goals

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE: An opportunity for your Club to participate in an international program.

Applications for Students departing January 2012 are now being sort and are available from either the Secretary, International/Youth Director or www.rotaryyouthexchange9650.com.au

FEAST ON A LONG LUNCH Sunday 3rd April 2011

Presented by Westpac

Proceeds to Ronald McDonald House Tamworth

Tickets \$98 available from Westpac Peel St

Bulletin Editor's Comment 'I went last year – atmosphere, food and entertainment all fantastic - an event not to be missed'

UPDATES/ NEWS / DIARY DATES

- Welcome back to Brodie and Rob Sharp.
- Rob Clifton gave us a brief update on the A380 conversion training he is undertaking in Sydney. The training is for a five-month period and Rob is finding that going back to school is not easy!
- Patrick Mahony gave an update on the Club's Walking for Health program. Collectively participating members have clocked up 2000 kms and have raised funds for the Club in the process. If anyone would like to join the program please contact Patrick.
- **Science & Engineering Challenge 22nd – 24th March 2011.**
Dinner Tues 22nd at Sanctuary Inn. Partners are welcome.
6.30pm for 7.00 pm. Cost \$35 per person. Payment Wednesday 16th please to Garnet Wood. Dinner on Tuesday 22nd replaces meeting on Wednesday 23rd
The Dinner speaker will be Professor Colin Waters from the University of Newcastle.
Others in attendance include Terry Burns (Director of the Science and Engineering Challenge), Tamworth engineers, who are volunteering their services during the TREC Challenge days, & engineering students / graduates from the Uni of Newcastle.
During the course of the evening there will be an enjoyable Table Challenge.
- **District 9650 Conference will be held at Coonabarabran 18 – 20 March 2011**– if interested in attending please speak with David Hinwood or Louise Matthews as soon as possible to confirm accommodation and complete attendance forms
- **The combined Rotary Clubs of Tamworth Pride of Workmanship Awards – 2011**
The Awards Dinner will be held at Blazes West League Club, Tamworth on Monday, 28 March 2011 - 6:30pm for 7:00pm
- Careers Expo Wed 18th May at TRECC. Breakfast Meeting will be at TRECC with set up to follow. More details later on.
- History Books still for sale at a special price of \$25.00
- Westpac Helicopter Bike ride China 8 – 17th October. If you are interested, Max Cathcart has all the details.

PNG ORTHOPAEDIC OUTREACH PROGRAM - The next PNG trip being led by Dr Rob Sharp is planned for 6th May 2011. Nominations are being sought from Club members to join the team.

ROSTER	16th March 2011	Tuesday 22nd March, Science and Engineering Dinner. Sanctuary Inn. Replaces breakfast meeting on Wednesday 23rd
Guest Speaker	Rob Harrison, Tamworth Regional Development Corporation	Details in Bulletin. Please book with Garnet and pay if you haven't already done so.
Topic		
Meeter & Greeter	Brian Logan	TBA
Door Team	Louise Matthews and Chris Watson	TBA
Welcome	Peter Bell	TBA
President Assist	John Glynn	TBA
Visitor Assist	Di Ford	TBA
Corporal Assist	Terry Burgess	TBA
Introduction	Max May	TBA
Vote of Thanks	Simon Chamberlain	TBA

CORPORALS for March: Ross Lobsey and Graham Dooley

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS	
Members Birthdays	17 – 03 Patrick Mahony 17 – 03 Michael O'Connor 22 – 03 Maureen Thornton
Partners Birthdays	20 – 03 Debra Brooks partner of Brian Logan
Anniversaries	16 – 03 Barry and Caroline Murphy (15 yrs) 17 – 03 Simon and Jan Chamberlain (21 yrs)
Inductions	---
Attendance	81%
Make Ups	Nil
Visiting Rotarians	Nil
Visitors	Beni, Felix, Wilma, Andrew – medical staff from PNG Kiernan O'Toole from the UK
Head and Tails	Skinner
Raffle	Julian Smith

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RUGBY DRAW HOME GAMES The Rugby Season will soon be starting!!!

Magpies Rugby Bar and Gate

As with previous years our Club has been contracted to look after the bar and gate. This has been a good fundraiser for the Club plus is an opportunity to get know fellow Rotarians while you are 'working'. It is also of tremendous support for one of our sporting organizations within the community.

Each Wednesday morning meeting immediately prior to the next home game an announcement will be made and a roster will go around for the inclusion of those who are able to give an hour or three.

Sat 9th April	Magpies v's Pirates (4 games - 10.00 am start for the gate). As many helpers as possible - "big day" .
Sat 30th April	Magpies v's Narrabri (4 games - 10.00 am start for the gate).
Sat 14th May	Magpies v's Gunnedah ("Ladies Day" - T BC
Sat 21st May	Magpies v's Scone
Sat 4th June	Magpies V's Barraba
Sat 18th June	Magpies v's Walcha
Sat 2nd July	Magpies v's Inverell
Sat 16th July	Magpies v's Quirindi
Sat 6th Aug	Magpies v's Moree