



Hinwood's Herald

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13 April 2011 – Meeting 1056

Quote of the Week:

"Knowledge is learning something every day. Wisdom is letting go of something every day."

With a 91% attendance we are keeping it all up to scratch with our attendance.

How privileged were we to have Roshani Priddis and Chris Langston sing for us under the musical direction of Michael Hansen. We heard a couple of the numbers from the soon to be staged 'Aida' being put on by the Tamworth Musical Society. It is amazing to listen to such great homegrown talent.

Ian Leota (new kiwi player with Tamworth Rugby) and Kylie Eakin (Ronald McDonald House) were our guests this morning and I'm sure that they enjoyed their early morning start with our members.

Chris Watson presented a cheque to Kylie Eakin (Ronald McDonald House) from his fundraising efforts with the Santa Pub Crawl and the longest Line Dance over Christmas.

John Fogarty is looking for helpers to run the bar at Tamworth Rugby Club as they open the season with a clash against their traditional rivals Pirates.

Louise is still looking for people to billet 3 couples from Brazil for a couple of nights end of April.

Brian Yeo still has space for some more diners to enjoy a great social at Walcha Road Hotel in a few weeks.

Norm Dezius is looking for organisers with some time to get RYAG Equine up and running again for this year.

Stuart Glover has a golf day going at Tamworth Golf Club for the Red Shield appeal being held in a week or so. Teams of 3 are required.

This week has seen 21 young adults go through the transforming process called RYLA. We have 2 participants in the form of Amy & Amie. 7 of us went and enjoyed dinner with them at Manilla last night and already there is a big transformation of what we have seen so far.

There was a large attendance at the funeral of Gabrielle Botfield on Wednesday and a significant number from our club. A very sad occasion.

Please look at the bulletin each week to see if you are rostered for a job and would you then please fulfil the role as appropriate.

Enjoy your week.

Regards

David



Ronald McDonald House Tamworth is located on the grounds of Tamworth Base Hospital. Since opening on 6th September 2008 it has provided a home for 500 families.

It is a home away from home for families of seriously ill children being treated at hospital, providing accommodation and respite for their parents and carers. It also caters for children on day visits that are forced to travel long distances to receive medical treatment. This house provides somewhere for them to rest before beginning the long journey back home.

The house serves the people of the New England Northwest with strong links to Ronald McDonald House in the Hunter and is run by a local manager with support from volunteers and is open 24 hours a day, every day of the year. A Learning Program operates from the House, providing assistance in the education 'catch up' that is necessary for so many children recovering from illness.

The House has 5 bedrooms, including volunteer's overnight accommodation, with individual paved courtyards. There is a playroom, lounge, dining and kitchen facilities, commercial laundry, learning program office, manager's office, quiet room, property room, reception, 2 storage areas, and an outdoor living area with covered playground.

At today's meeting, First Light Rotarian Chris Watson presented a \$2,500 cheque to Kylie Eakin, Manager of Ronald McDonald House. These were proceeds from the Santa Crawl and Longest Line Dance. Chris thanked members for participating in the fundraising events.

GUEST SPEAKERS / PERFORMERS *Chris Langston, Roshani Priddis and Michael Hansen*



We were entertained by Roshani and Chris under the musical direction of Michael. Currently in rehearsal for AIDA. Michael encouraged members to buy tickets for the performance of AIDA being staged at the Capitol Theatre from 6th – 21st May. Opening night is a fundraiser for Ronald McDonald House.

AIDA Presented by Tamworth Musical Society

8:00 pm, Friday 6 May

2:00 pm, Sunday 8 May

8:00 pm, Friday 13 May

2:00 pm, Sunday 15 May

8:00 pm, Friday 20 May

8:00 pm, Saturday 7 May

8:00 pm, Wednesday 11 May

8:00 pm, Saturday 14 May

8:00 pm, Wednesday 18 May

2:00 am, Saturday 21 May

Based on the story from the classic Verdi opera, one of the most thrilling, romantic and tragic tales of all time, AIDA is a new musical by the writers of Disney's The Lion King. Featuring Elton John's brilliant, modern pop score and the electrifying lyrics of Tim Rice, AIDA is a story of a forbidden love that never dies.

An epic tale of love, passion, loyalty and betrayal, it chronicles the bond between an enslaved Nubian princess and an Egyptian soldier. As forbidden love blossoms between them, the young lovers are forced to face death or part forever. Together, they set a shining example of true devotion that ultimately transcends the vast cultural differences between their warring nations, heralding a time of unprecedented peace and prosperity.

<http://www.capitoltheatretamworth.com.au/>

UPDATES/ NEWS / DIARY DATES

- Rugby Roster - first game this Sat 9th April. You can be rostered on the gate if you don't have RSA. John Fogarty is the contact person.
Mobile: 0438 664359 and email ellwood-102@bigpond.com
- Australian Masters Dancing Championships this weekend in Tamworth. This is an event that has attracted International participants with approximately 100 overseas visitors expected in Tamworth. Chris Watson is organizing and has invited members to attend on Saturday night, 7.30 pm at Wests. Funds raised are for the Cancer Council specifically for Breast Cancer programs.
- Accommodation / hosts needed on the evening of 29th April for six Brazilians. There are two couples and a father and son.
Contact Louise Matthews at lmjew@bigpond.com.au
- Careers Expo Wed 18th May at TRECC. Breakfast Meeting will be at TRECC with set up to follow. More details later on.
- Club Social Outing Saturday 7th May Walcha Road Pub. Numbers limited to 40. Cost \$60/person includes train from Tamworth to Walcha Road, Meal and return bus to Tamworth. This year, something different for those who wish to 'kick on' we have booked 3 rooms at the hotel and then catch the train back in the morning. For bookings contact Brian at brian.yeo@bigpond.com
- **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. *We need two people.*

Red Shield Appeal Golf Day

15th April Tamworth Golf Course commencing at 11.00am

Contact the Committee secretary Brian Burgess, 6762 4721

DISTRICT 9650 LONG TERM YOUTH EXCHANGE

Applications from years 10, 11 and 12 Students to depart January 2012 are now being called for. **Come On... Give an Australian Student the experience of a lifetime....** Applications are available from the Club Secretaries or the website
www.rotaryyouthexchange9650.com.au



1 April 2011

Dear Regional Chairs,

As you know the Science and Engineering Challenge is a non for profit organisation, relying on sponsorship to maintain operations at a national level.

Since the Challenge became a national program in 2005, we have grown exponentially becoming a \$1 million dollar per annum operation seeing over 20,000 students in over 50 regions Australia wide every year.

To date, approximately half of the funds used to run the Challenge are provided by the Federal Government through the Department of Innovation, Industry, Science and Research (**DIISR**). This sponsorship currently supports 80% of Challenge Team salaries, subsidises travel costs for Grand Challenge schools, provides funds to cover a portion of the costs associated with conducting Challenges nationwide and funds expenses involved in having a national council and promoting the Challenge.

The current agreement we are being funded through DIISR is due to end in December 2011 and a new **DIISR** initiative called the *Inspiring Australia Initiative: a national strategy for engagement with the sciences* in 2012. In a recent National Council meeting, the council was informed that the Challenge would not receive funding under this new initiative due to massive budget cuts imposed by the government.

These cuts have meant that only 4 of the planned 15 focus areas will be funded. This puts the Challenge in a difficult position as we have no guaranteed funds to support national (Non-Northern NSW Challenges) operations in 2012 and beyond.

We are using our best endeavours to find a national sponsor for the program and we have several leads which a dedicated team of national councillors, Challenge and University of staff are pursuing.

I welcome any comment, question or sponsorship leads that you may have. I will keep you posted and by August should be in a position to make a firm decision on 2012 operations.

Yours sincerely,

T.W. Burns Director, Science & Engineering Challenge, SMART program

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ROSTER	13 th April 2011	20 th April 2011
Guest Speaker	Chris Morris	Paul Stevenson
Topic	Lung Transplant Recipient	
Meeter & Greeter	Les Jacob	Rob Sharp
Door Team	Paul Bennett & Paul Stevenson	Alan Coates & John Toulmin
Welcome	Michael Smith	Peter Hinchcliffe
President Assist	Chris Celovic	John Treloar
Visitor Assist	Max Cathcart	Vicki Cooper
Corporal Assist	Corporal Assist	Campbell McIntosh
Introduction	Brian Yeo	Dennis Johnson
Vote of Thanks	Garnet Wood	Steve Massey

27th April Paul Bennett, Tamworth Regional Council

CORPORALS for April: Barry Biffin and Greg Birtles

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS	
Members Birthdays	Nil
Partners Birthdays	14 – 04 Carmel Raymond 15 – 04 Jill Toulmin
Anniversaries	16 – 04 Robert & Jenny Clifton (28 yrs) 18 – 04 David & Jo Baddams (30 yrs) 10 – 04 Julian & Annette Smith (19 yrs)
Inductions	Nil
Attendance	91%
Make Ups	None
Visiting Rotarians	None
Visitors	Kylie Eakin (Ronald McDonald House); Ian Leota (NZ)
Head and Tails	Peter Bell
Raffle	Skinner

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

Magpies Rugby Bar and Gate

Contact John Fogarty Mobile: 0438 664359 and email ellwood-102@bigpond.com

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).
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

BIG MOTOR SHOW FOR TAMWORTH

The Rotary Club of Tamworth West has joined forces with Shannon's Insurance to hold what promises to be a spectacular indoor motoring event. It is expected that around 100 new and old cars and motorcycles will be displayed including some very rare and unique vehicles. Car clubs and individual owners of interesting rides are also invited to park around the venue.

What: Shannon's Country Classic Motor Show. Where: Tamworth Regional Entertainment & Conference Centre (T.R.E.C.C)

When: Saturday and Sunday April 9th and 10th 2011. 10am to 10pm Saturday, 9am to 4pm Sunday. Food: The RC will operate a restaurant-style venue all weekend.

Contact: Neville Evans for information and/or entries on 0407 132115.

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.