



## Hinwood's Herald

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15th June 2011 – Meeting 1065

### Quote of the Week:

**"It may be that your sole purpose in life is simply to serve as a warning to others."**

It's hard to believe that I have completed my penultimate meeting. We had a 75% attendance, which is around our average for the year.

A big thank you to Bob McKenzie, who kept us entertained for around 20 minutes with the history of the Tamworth Pipe Band and some interesting facts about the bagpipes. I guess you either love 'em or hate 'em, I love 'em.

Doug Biffin attended with his father to see what he really gets up to on a Wednesday morning. I hope you enjoyed your time with our club Doug.

Louise Matthews is looking for a student in year 8,9 or 10 to do a matched exchange with New Zealand. This can be one of your own or someone that you know who maybe keen to swap children for 3 months.

Bruce Hemmett is looking at any changes in our personal information so as to update our database for the club.

A congratulation goes to Peter Bell who, with Jane Bradford's initial help has a monthly radio spot to help promote Rotary in our immediate listening area. Listen to 2TM on the first Monday of each month.

Chris & Brian will visit the Sunrise club this week to catch up on what the American Consul General has to say. I will expect a report back to our membership.

Well one week to go, where has the time gone?

Enjoy your week.

regards

David

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**GUEST SPEAKER - Bob McKenzie – Tamworth Pipe Band**



**Introduced by Ian Howle, thanked by Chris Sheppard**

The Tamworth Pipe Band began in 1932 (ceased during 1942 – 1946) and wore the Black Watch Tartan. In 1994 the Pipe Band changed to the McKenzie tartan. Since 1934 to current there has always been a McKenzie in the Pipe Band – Bob disappointed there is no-one to follow him. Kilts cost around \$600 each and each kilt has six metres of material – due to the cost, the Pipe Band only wears formal attire. This \$600 is only for the kilt – musical instruments are an additional cost. Currently Bob is the tutor but has some 20 year olds who are now beginning to tutor so he will be able to step back. Now-a-days students are taught with plastic and without the bags – lots start but few finish. Harder to teach 40+ year olds.

Traditionally the bagpipe “bag” was made from animal hide – became very stiff and oil or molasses was used to try to keep these supple. Currently an Australian invention is being used using a Gortex fabric and is a very good product.

The reeds used were originally bamboo but now plastic. Funds are continually being sought through different fund raisers for the purchase of instruments and towards new kilts and the costs of travelling etc. The sporran is there to carry some cash and keys etc as nowhere else to carry same.

Q Did the bagpipes originate in the middle east? Could have, Africa is also mentioned. Ireland has won the World Championships for the past three years against over 6,000 competitors.

Q What age can children start to learn? Youngest 7 / 8 years of age but ten years is about the best age to start.

Q Bill Hunt’s son was the piper for the last John Farnham concert? Yes, excellent and talented – Won Best Juvenile Piper

Q Why were bagpipes invented? Shepherds with their sheep in pastures had nothing better to do and it has just grown from there. Some pipes can play different keys and even have electronic pipes now.

Comment – Anzac Park – a pleasure to listen to the pipes.

Bob unable to leave without playing a tune or two.....

## UPDATES/ NEWS / DIARY DATES

- [New Zealand / Australia Exchange in 2012](#) – Louise Matthews outlined the aim of the program – a student from NZ spends a term here and stays with the student's family whilst her. The Australian student returns for a term in NZ and stays in the student's NZ home. This is reversed annually. The opportunity was offered to members with children of the appropriate age and the information will be sent to schools in due course. If interested, please contact Louise Matthews on mobile – 0420 743 083
- **Rugby Roster - next game 18<sup>th</sup> June. Contact John Fogarty Mobile: 0438 664359 and email [ellwood-102@bigpond.com](mailto:ellwood-102@bigpond.com) John thanked members for participating so willingly.**
- **Golf Trip Gold Coast 7<sup>th</sup> August. John Worldon announced that the golf Trips are a major fundraiser for the Club and have been going for twenty years. The Golf Committee needs some prizes and / or sponsors OR members could make a small cash donation for prizes.**
- **Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> June – Club Changeover and also District Changeover**
- **Pedal the Peel will happen again in March 2012 – NAB has agreed to sponsor**
- **Rotary Foundation and International News. David Gau from USA is our next Ambassadorial Scholar. He will be attending the University of New England and will be in Australia from July 2011. His Counsellor is Alan Francis, Rotary Club of Armidale.**

**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](http://www.rotaryyouthexchange9650.com.au)

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> June 2011</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup> June 2011</b>
<b>Guest Speaker</b>	Henry Segerius	No Wednesday meeting.
<b>Topic</b>	Grain Foods Australia	Changeover Dinner Sat 25 <sup>th</sup> . Details below.
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>	Vicki Cooper	-----
<b>Door Team</b>	Chris Celovic and Anne Jacob	-----
<b>Welcome</b>	Annette Arthur	-----
<b>President Assist</b>	Alan Coates	-----
<b>Visitor Assist</b>	Graham Dooley	-----
<b>Corporal Assist</b>	Bruce Hemmett	-----
<b>Introduction</b>	Garnet Wood	-----
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	Paul Bennett	-----

**Sat 25<sup>th</sup> June 6.30 for 7.00 pm Club Changeover,  
Sanctuary Inn \$50.00/ head and RSVP to Ian Howle.  
No meeting Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

**CORPORALS for June: John Treloar and John Worldon**

<b>BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS</b>	
<b>Members Birthdays</b>	21 – 06 Narelle Langfield and Brodie Shields
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	Nil
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Nil
<b>Induction into Club</b>	15 – 06 Brodie Shields (15 yrs) 18 – 06 Louise Matthews (6 yrs) 19 – 06 Steve Mitchell (7 yrs) 20 – 06 Brett White (13 yrs) 20 – 06 Bruce Hemmett (21 yrs)
<b>Attendance</b>	75%
<b>Make Ups</b>	Paul Bennett – Tamworth
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	None
<b>Visitors</b>	Douglas Biffin
<b>Head and Tails</b>	Skinner
<b>Raffle</b>	Paul Stevenson

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## RUGBY DRAW HOME GAMES

### Magpies Rugby Bar and Gate

Contact John Fogarty Mobile: 0438 664359 and email [ellwood-102@bigpond.com](mailto:ellwood-102@bigpond.com)

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

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Planking - Everyone's doing it!



## **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.

# 2010 / 2011 CLUB PORTFOLIOS

<b>PRESIDENT:</b>	David Hinwood
<b>SECRETARY:</b>	Phillip Heffernan
<b>TREASURER:</b>	Mark O'Connor
<b>PRESIDENT ELECT:</b>	Louise Matthews (2011/2012)
<b>CLUB ADMINISTRATION:</b>	Ian Howle <b>Including:</b> Sergeant – Jane Bradford  Bulletin – Helen Tickle  Program Officer – Dwone Jones.  Welfare Officer – Anne Jacob
<b>MEMBERSHIP:</b>	Peter Hyde
<b>PUBLIC RELATIONS:</b>	Peter Bell
<b>SERVICE PROJECTS:</b>	Julian Smith <b>Including:</b> Community Service- John Fogarty  Vocational Services – Tim Coates  Youth Services – Norm Dezius  Science & Engineering – Terry Robinso  Golf -
<b>ROTARY FOUNDATION:</b>	Max Cathcart