



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF TAMWORTH - FIRST LIGHT

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Reach Within to Embrace Humanity



## *A Letter from Louise*

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Meeting 1069

### **Quote of the Week:**

“If you want something said - ask a man, if you want something done - ask a woman.” Margaret Thatcher

Off to a great start this week with John Worldon enlightening us with some comparative sizing analysis....John I would urge you to refer to the Rotary 4 Way Test & ask yourself the first question. "Is it the truth?"

My Rotary Trivia quiz had a few more people with knowledge on the 3-H's in Rotary. Health, hunger, humanity – enhance health, alleviate hunger, improve human development. Well done Max , enjoy your Caramello Koala.

Sadly we have received resignations from Norm Dezius & Alan Coates, both for personal reasons. Both men were exceptional members of our Club & certainly did fulfill the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self." We wish them both well & I do hope they can come as a visitor from time to time.

Our thoughts are with Pam Shields, who is having some time in hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Rubbish! It's amazing the tonnage, how the recycling plant processes & sorts the cardboard, paper, glass & metals. Challenge Disability Services have made a considerable investment in the upgrading of the plant to ensure longevity. The investment has not only been in plant & equipment but also into the training of the 18 employees with a disability & 3 staff who supervise. Big thank you to Steve Bargwanna. Steve's message encourages us to check the lid on our recycling bins before putting our rubbish in.

It was great to welcome James Treloar as a visitor. I would like to again acknowledge the contribution made by John, James & the family, not only to Tamworth, but the region as a whole, as pioneers in quality retailing & unrivalled service to the community over 122 years.

Dooley, Dooley, Dooley...."Chickens, the only things you can eat before they are born & after they die," such profound wisdom! I'm glad you're only filling in as Sergeant for one week...but thanks for the photo.

Rug up & keep warm,  
Louise oxo

## UPDATES/ NEWS / DIARY DATES

- Golf meeting Tuesday 26 July at 5.00 pm at Hancocks. Golf Trip Gold Coast 7<sup>th</sup> August. Still opportunity to participate – some golfing ability an advantage! 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.**
- D9650 Inaugural Clay Target shooting planned for Sunday 24 July at Loomberah. Starts at 9.30 am with a cuppa and shooting between 10.00 and 12.00 followed by a BBQ lunch and over by 1.00 pm. Cost \$25.00 per person and must be over 14 years of age. Speak to Michael O'Connor if interested.
- Next Board meeting will be on 12 July.
- Club Assembly Wednesday 27 July.
- NERAM (Armidale) trip 31<sup>st</sup> July escorted by Meg Larkin. View current exhibition, lunch in gallery café and then inspect the storage areas. Leave Tamworth 10.00 am and arrive back about 4.30 pm. If numbers are good, consideration will be given to hiring a bus. Let Louise know if you are interested.

## **GUEST SPEAKER – STEVE BARGWANNA - introduced by John Treloar**

**....from front line reporter Jane Bradford**

Steve spoke very well about the changes in recycling over the past decade.

Commenced in the late 80's at Wirraway, 1992 moved to present position at the Waste Recycling Depot. In 1992 the City had the two black crates and Challenge had 3.5 adult staff with 18 staff with disabilities.

In 2009 the yellow lid bins were introduced and Challenge spent \$1.5M to upgrade and in 2010 spent a further \$400,000 in upgrades. Now employ 30 staff with a disability and 6 adult staff.

Today there are ever changing and new disabilities to cope with yet quite a number have either or both their forklift and front end loader certificates.

Started with some 11,000 households – now catering for over 23,000 households – processing 1.5 tonnes rubbish back then and currently purchasing some 4 tonnes in a six hour day.

Send out a B-double with some 10 – 16 tonnes of cardboard each week, 1 B-double of glass each week and plastics sent monthly.

Tamworth is below the state average for recycling (6 tonne) – currently Tamworth is 5.2 tonne.

Easy to pick specific times of the year ie Christmas, Country Music Festival, Horse events, parties etc. Although a lot is done electronically, quite a large amount still has to be sorted by hand.

Some suggestions to assist with the Yellow Lid bins:

- Beer bottles – leave loose
- Do not pack bottles back into a cardboard container – causes staff more work having to sort
- **NO plastic bags – receive about ¾ tonne per day**
- Crockery is also not good in the recycling bin
- **NO pebbles / rocks from fish tanks**

There is a new advertising campaign about to start and please read the lid before throwing items out.

**Rotarian Stuart Glover thanking guest speaker Steve Bargwanna**



## Lousie's Lot



*(Sung to the tune from the Brady Bunch)*

Here's a story of a lovely lady  
Who is now busy with seven boys of her own  
They are all men from an initially a Men's Club  
And don't mess with Jane, as history has shown

When Lousie took over from the big fella  
She had to find smart people for her team  
There were plenty of people wanting to tell her  
But she needed to realize her own dream

Now it appears Lousie has a great mix  
With some oldies who don't give a toss  
She now has Rotarians who know all the tricks  
With the youngest one being her boss

Some say Lousie is like gold or a gem  
And she has now introduced her new flock  
But time will tell if she can handle all those men  
Who will now be known as Lousies Lot

Lousies Lot  
Lousies Lot  
That's the way they all became Lousies Lot

## Fire Box Traps Pranksters



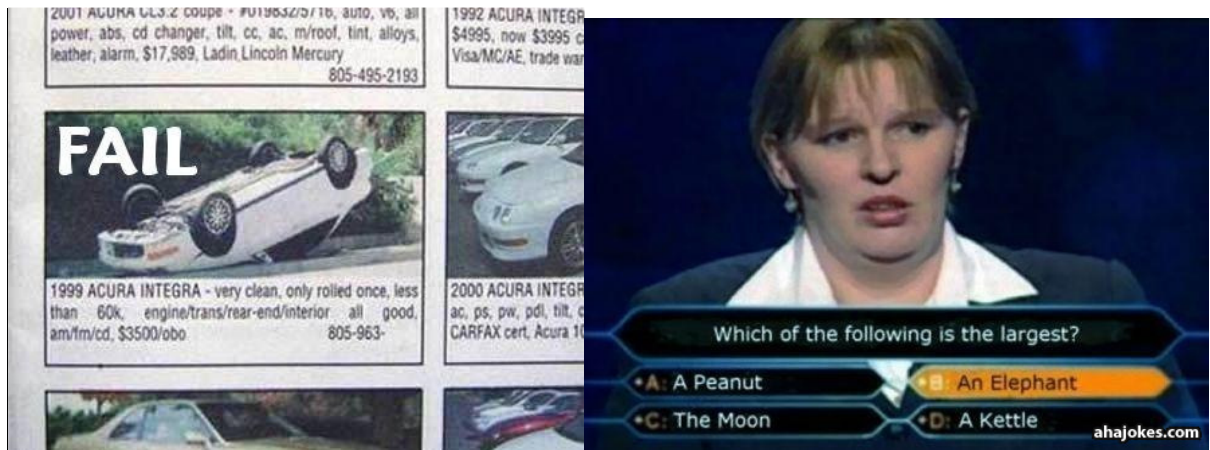
Demonstrated above is a new fire signal box that locks the hand of alarm sender until released by a policeman or fireman with a key, thus deterring the sending of false alarms.

**T**HE sending of false fire alarms by mischievous persons may be eliminated through use of a newly developed call box. To use the device, the sender of an alarm must pass a hand through a special compartment to reach the signal dial. Once the dial has been turned, the sender's hand is locked in the compartment until released by a fireman or policeman with a key.

**Or how to incinerate your partner**



**Dressing for comfort is one thing, but???**



Not the best way to sell a car

And she passed the initial exam?

## Flights go quicker...

"A LITTLE GIRL ON A PLANE"

A Congressman was seated next to a little girl on an airplane so he turned to her and said, "Do you want to talk? Flights go quicker if you strike up a conversation with your fellow passenger."

The little girl, who had just started to read her book, replied to the total stranger, "What would you want to talk about?"

Oh, I don't know," said the congressman. "How about global warming, universal health care, or stimulus packages?" as he smiled smugly.

"OK," she said. "Those could be interesting topics, but let me ask you a question first. A horse, a cow, and a deer all eat the same stuff - grass. Yet a deer excretes little pellets, while a cow turns out a flat patty, and a horse produces clumps. Why do you suppose that is?"

The legislator, visibly surprised by the little girl's intelligence, thinks about it and says, "Hmmm, I have no idea."

To which the little girl replies, "Do you really feel qualified to discuss global warming, universal health care, or the economy, when you don't know shit?"

And then she went back to reading her book.

## **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.

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>13th July 2011</b>	<b>20th July 2011</b>
<b>Guest Speaker</b>	<b>Brian Thompson</b>	<b>Barry &amp; Bronwyn Hacker</b>
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Personal Profile</b>	<b>DG Visit</b>
<b>Door Team</b>	<b>Graham Nuttall &amp; Peter Bell</b>	<b>Barry Biffin &amp; Tim Coates</b>
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>	<b>Julian Smith</b>	<b>Brian Yeo</b>
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>John Glynn</b>	<b>David Baddams</b>
<b>President Assist</b>	<b>Phil Penman</b>	<b>Bill Moss</b>
<b>Visitor Assist</b>	<b>Terry Burgess</b>	<b>Greg Birtles</b>
<b>Corporal Assist</b>	<b>Simon Chamberlain</b>	<b>Brian Logan</b>
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>Patricia Varley</b>	<b>Steve Mitchell</b>
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	<b>Ron Allen</b>	<b>Rob Clifton</b>

**CORPORALS for: July: Vicki Cooper and Laurence Hearne  
August: Phil Heffernan and Anne Jacob  
September: Terry Robinson and Helen Tickle**

<b>BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS</b>	
<b>Members Birthdays</b>	<b>Barry Biffin 12/7 55 yrs, Michael Smith 15/7 49 yrs</b>
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	<b>Leigh Howle 12/7, Kerry Johnson 15/7, Sue Robinson 15/7</b>
<b>Anniversaries</b>	<b>Nil</b>
<b>Induction into Club</b>	<b>Les Jacob 14/7 18 years</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>73%</b>
<b>Make Ups</b>	<b>Louise Matthews – Tam North, Tam Sunrise. Julian Smith – Tam North</b>
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	<b>Nil</b>
<b>Visitors</b>	<b>James Treloar</b>
<b>Head and Tails</b>	<b>Ron Allen</b>
<b>Raffle</b>	<b>Dick Davison</b>

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