



# THE ROTARY CLUB OF TAMWORTH - FIRST LIGHT

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## *A Letter from Louise*

[www.tamworthfirstlight.org.au](http://www.tamworthfirstlight.org.au) Wednesday 12th October 2011  
Meeting 1082

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

“My idea of an agreeable person is a person who agrees with me.”

Benjamin Disraeli

A very warm welcome to our newest member, Brian Bailey. Brian comes to us with a history of volunteering & community service & I have no doubt he will become a valuable asset to our Club. I also extend the welcome to Brian's wife Sue. I would ask that all members make themselves known to Brian & Sue.

Big thanks to Carmel Raymond for coming along to join us in welcoming the Bailey's to the First Light Family.

It was wonderful to see Patricia Varley back after her leave of absence. Just a reminder to all members, if you are going to be absent for any length of time please advise the Board or apply for a leave of absence. When someone is away due to an unexplained absence it causes concern in relation to their wellbeing, so please advise.

Charles Impey gave a wonderful insight into the construction of the Childrens Adventure Playground. Fund raising is underway & construction to take place around April 2012. I believe as a Service Club that we should assist in this wonderful community project. If any member has ideas or any input please advise so we can discuss at Board level next Tuesday.

Don't forget next Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> October, our meeting will be held at the Community Centre. We will be providing the BBQ breakfast for participants in the "Stress Less Day" walk, commencing at 7am followed by breakfast. That evening

## DARREN CARR & ASHLEIGH DALLAS

7pm at The Pub. Tickets \$25pp, available at Travelworld in the Atrium, at the BBQ breakfast or at the door on the night. We need to sell 100 tickets to cover costs, so please come along & you never know, you may just have a laugh!

Still some places left for the Mental Health First Aid Course, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October & Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 9am – 4.30pm. Course is free of charge, lunch & morning tea provided. See me for further details.

Louise oxo

## UPDATES/ NEWS / DIARY DATES

**Next weeks meeting will be held at the Community Centre at 7.00 am for a walk – yes, a walk, then back to the Community Centre for breakfast**

- **Futures Licensed Training Bistro**  
Members are advised that places for dinner are available. Where: Bistro in K Block at the TAFE, Piper Street. 3 course dinner for \$19.50 / head available on Thursday evenings from 6pm on the following dates: 13th October, 20th October, 27th October, 3rd November, 10th November, 17th November, 24th November and 1st December. Bookings are essential. Contact Kaylene Thompson on 6768 2362. Jim Raymond appears to not be looking at specific dates and then request numbers from members.
- **Guess Who is Coming to Dinner** will be held October 22 and based on large number of name listed so far, it is going to be **HUGE**. Please complete the spreadsheet with the bulletin email.
- **Christmas Party – make a note of the date now - 26 November 6.30 for 7.00 pm at the Magpies Rugby Club**
- **Bumper stickers** are still being sold and bulk deals are available. Please see Dools.
- **Cricket Match of the Century – part 2 - vs Sunrise** (because the CWA ladies were busy) is now scheduled for 4 March 2012 at 3.00 pm at Riverside No 7.....we told Sunrise Manilla Showground...sshhh
- **Caramello Bear Quiz**, Q. How many of Chris Sheppard's jokes fell flat last week? A. All of them. Winner is Chris Sheppard.
- **Can I have some more recipes please**

- **Brian Logan confirmed our catering involvement is again required for the Relay for Life on weekend of 15/16 October.**
- **Southern Golf Trip – Phil Penman reports there is 36 registered so far and can take 4 to 6 more. **Need sponsors****
- **Board meeting next Tuesday. If you are on the Board and have something that you think Louise or the other Board members may care about, please consider and prepare.**

**New member induction – Brian Bailey**

**Brian is Business Development and Marketing Manager at TAFE NSW, New England Institute and needs a large business card.**

**Married to Sue since 1977 and blessed with two children.**

**Attended Gosford High School and completed Bachelor of Economics at UNE in 1991. He has a Graduate Diploma in Vocational Education and Training which he obtained in 1996.**

**Most importantly, Brian moved his family to Tamworth in 2010.**

**Like the best Rotarians in our Club, Brian was an Apexian for many years.**

**Welcome to Brian and his family.**



Brian Bailey with his sponsor Jim Raymond and President Louise Matthews

## **Guest Speaker – Charles Impey – Tamworth Adventure Playground Introduced by Max May**

**Charles delivered an enthusiastic and informative overview of the Project which is to be located in the grounds of the Marsupial Park.**

**There are approximately 10,000 children 0-10 years of age living in Tamworth and this will be a facility for them and the many visitors from out of town, including Grandchildren.**

**It will be built by the community for the community.**

**The design has incorporated the ideas of 300 school children from schools across Tamworth.**

**There are 42 choices for children to play on including a slide and a maze. The facility is disability friendly and includes an outdoor classroom.**

**New England Mutual has become an official partner.**

**It is envisaged that construction will be in April.**

**The only other facility of its type is located in Orange. This was constructed by the community in four days with 1600 volunteers involved.**

**Fundraising is well underway and Charles gave details of how to sponsor a brick, picket etc and have a name on it. Volunteers and sponsors are needed.**

**More information on the project including the design and sponsorship forms can be obtained from [www.tamworthadventureplayground.com](http://www.tamworthadventureplayground.com)**

**Email: [info@tamworthadventureplayground.com](mailto:info@tamworthadventureplayground.com)**



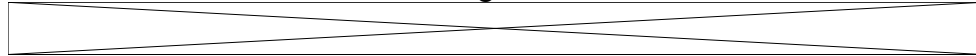
Charles Impey is thanked by Helen Tickle

# The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light Masterchef page New Zealand

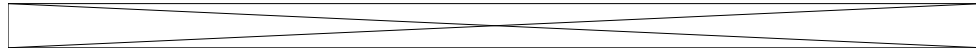


## Cow and Gate Tart

This is a dense and delicious savoury tart. You can load it into a picnic basket and take it on an adventure or devour it warmed through at home with some rocket on the side.



### Serves 8



### Ingredients

- 250 g beef mince
- 2–3 rashers bacon, roughly chopped
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- ½ cup polenta
- 1 cup flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 cup breadcrumbs (made from day-old or lightly toasted bread)
- 1 cup grated Parmesan
- 500 ml milk
- 3 large eggs
- ½ cup pitted black olives, roughly chopped
- ½ cup sun-dried tomatoes, roughly sliced
- large handful fresh basil, roughly chopped
- large handful fresh parsley, roughly chopped



### Method

Preheat oven to 180 °C and grease a loose-bottomed flan or cake tin.

In a frying-pan brown bacon, then add onion and garlic and cook until translucent. Add minced beef. Break up any very large pieces, but keep the odd crispy lump or two to add texture to the end result. Once meat mixture is browned, remove from heat and set aside.

In a separate bowl mix polenta, flour, salt, breadcrumbs and Parmesan together. In another bowl mix milk, eggs and a splash of olive oil then add wet mixture to the dry to form a wet batter.

Add cooled beef and bacon mixture to batter, together with olives, tomatoes and herbs. Combine well. Turn mixture out into the flan tin and ensure it is evenly spread.

Bake for 50–60 minutes or until tart is a golden colour.

Serve in wedges with tomato sauce or relish on the side. A fresh rocket salad drizzled with balsamic syrup or vinegar works well with this tart.

# Update from Christchurch

It is certainly good to be back working with the Christchurch team and enjoying assisting such great people. The Anzac tradition still lives on in many ways.

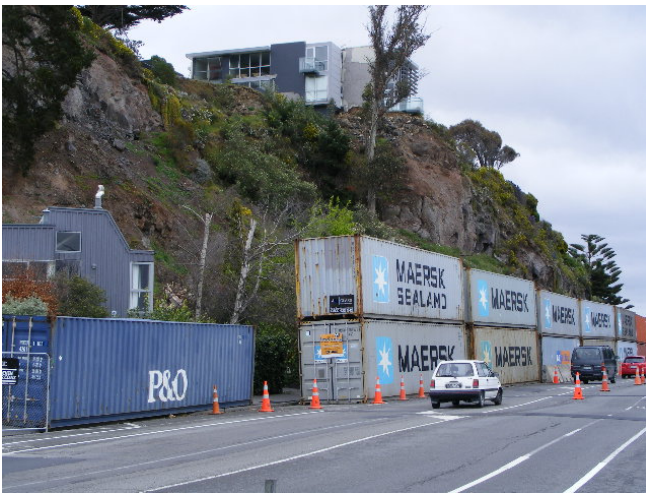
It is sad to see so many buildings I was personally involved with their planned reinstatement now destroyed, tagged for demolition or now an empty block of ground.

I have not been previously involved in so many large loss settlements in one week. In one day I completed assessments of three office buildings ranging in value between NZD5,000,000 to NZD 42,000,000. Most of the losses in my team exceed a million and the scope of the disaster is hard to comprehend.

As far as the tremors go, it had been quiet since the last big ones in June, but of course they started again this week. You don't get used to even small quick shakes at 3.5, 7 kilometres beneath you when the office shakes and the noise of the rumble causes even hardened staff to scream. They fear another big one. You can't run or even walk when they are occurring as I am told it is like walking on a water bed.

Some statistics from CERA – Canterbury Earthquake Recovery Authority

- 1,000 workers working on roads and the 3 waters (water supply, stormwater and sewer). This number is expected to peak at 3000 to 4000 by late next year
- 24kms of water mains damaged – 100% of city now has access to reticulated water (excluding CBD) – permanent repairs will be undertaken over a five year period
- 52 wells repaired since 22 Feb
- 500,000 tonnes of silt from liquefaction removed from properties and roads from earthquakes
- 600 km roads seriously damaged – 20 roads are currently closed not including CBD – permanent repairs will be undertaken over a five year period
- 50,000 truck movements in and out of the red zone
- 300km sewer pipes to be replaced
- 11km of large diameter pressure mains replaced
- 600 11kV power cable faults – now repaired
- 600 people in 80 odd crews are working in the CBD red zone every day to deconstruct buildings and clear the sites for redevelopment
- 546 buildings have been demolished and the sites cleared for the rebuild
- 40% of damaged buildings five stories or higher will be demolished by September 2012, with the balance tendered and work under way. Demolition of all those CBD buildings less than five stories that need to come down will be completed by February 2012
- 180,000 homes in green zone
- 4,840 residential red zone property owners have been made an offer to purchase their property by the Crown
- 7,800 households are in the orange zone awaiting decisions on their land



Just in case the house falls



Closer to the edge now



Rock in the driveway hard to move



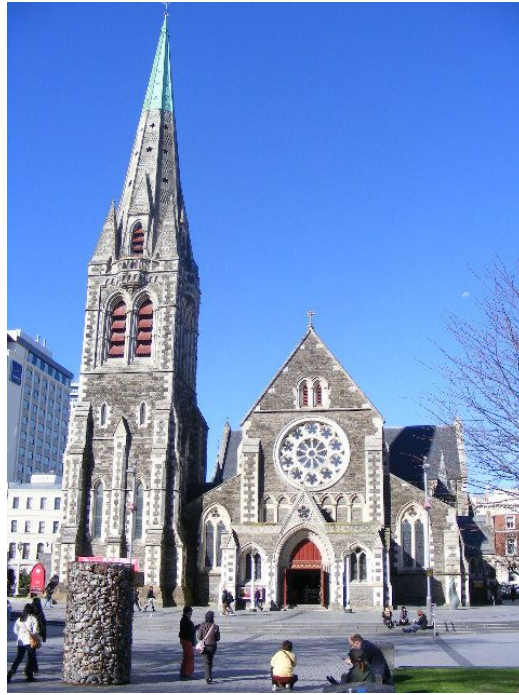
Should have wired down the roof tiles



Half of house gone



Major deformation to Hotel



Cathedral photo I took Sept 2010



After February Earthquake



Cathedral September 2010



After February Earthquake

<b>ROSTER</b>	<b>12 October 2011</b>	<b>19 October 2011</b>
<b>Guest Speaker</b>	<b>BBQ and Walk</b>	<b>Mick Daniels</b>
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Mental Health Week</b>	<b>Petrol Pricing</b>
<b>Door Team</b>	<b>Terry Robinson &amp; Mark O'Connor</b>	<b>John Toulmin &amp; Peter Bell</b>
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>Rob Sharp</b>
<b>Welcome</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>John Worldon</b>
<b>President Assist</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>Terry Burgess</b>
<b>Visitor Assist</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>Ron Allen</b>
<b>Corporal Assist</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>John Glynn</b>
<b>Introduction</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>Steve Mitchell</b>
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	<b>n/a</b>	<b>Laurence Hearne</b>

**CORPORALS for:     October: Max May and Max Cathcart  
November: Tim Coates and Barry Biffin**

<b>BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS</b>	
<b>Members Birthdays</b>	<b>14 October Phil Lyon &amp; Barry Murphy both 63 yrs, Brett White 55 yrs.</b>
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	<b>Pauline Davison 15/10 40+ yrs</b>
<b>Anniversaries</b>	<b>Nil</b>
<b>Induction into Club</b>	<b>Brian Yeo 15/10 14 years</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	
<b>Make Ups</b>	
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	
<b>Visitors</b>	
<b>Head and Tails</b>	
<b>Raffle</b>	

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