



**ROTARY CLUB OF TAMWORTH
FIRST LIGHT 2014-2015**



**President
Diane Ford**

Wednesday, 10th December, 2014 Meeting # 1240

Quote of the Week:

"If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you." Anonymous

Diane's Diary

This week we had Brett Pearson from Bulimbal School come and speak to us about how to get students to communicate. He explained that at Bulimbal students have different needs and different levels with their communication and described the system that they use to have the students to be able to communicate with others.

It is understandable that the students could become frustrated not being able to be heard or understood and the system they use minimizes this. He explained that with new technology it has become easier for the students to use their system.

Christmas drinks were at the Post Office Hotel last Friday night with a good turnout. It was a great night with everyone having a great time.

Don't forget that our last meeting of the year will be on 17th December. Please bring some non perishable food and / or an unwrapped toy for the Salvation Army.

Our AGM and Club Assembly is this Wednesday 10th Dec, sorry but it is necessary so please come as the New Board for 2015/2016 will be elected.

Have a great week everyone and I'll see you on Wednesday.

Cheers,

Diane.



MEETING NOTES

Working With Children Check: Reminder to forward these to Maureen.

Country Music Cavalcade: See Ron Allen if you can help.



DATES TO REMEMBER....

New Years Eve: more info from Chris shortly.

Saturday, 28th February: Guess Who is Coming to Dinner? More info from Peter Ryan.

Meeting Roster	Wednesday 10th December	Wednesday 17th December	
Guest Speaker		Santa!!	
Topic	AGM	Bring a gift for the Salvos.	
Door Team	Maureen Thornton Tom Hellmann	Brian Logan Barry Murphy	
Meeter & Greeter	Ross Lobsey	Brian Yeo	
Welcome	Jennie Wright	Jane Bradford	
President Assist	Tim Coates	Les Jacob	
Visitor Assist	Di Case	Louise Matthews	
Corporal Assist	John Toulmin	Jim Raymond	
Introduction			
Vote of Thanks			
Post Office Raffle Roster			
12 December	19 December	2 January	9 January
Phil Penman Ian Howle	Ian Howle David Hinwood	David Hinwood Laurence Hearne	Laurence Hearne Deb Barnes
16 January	6 February	13 February	20 February
Deb Barnes Barry Biffin	Barry Biffin Di Case	Di Case Bruce Hemmett	Bruce Hemmett Jenny Jackson
Corporals for December		Corporals for January	
John Treloar and Barry Biffin		Dennis Johnson and Ron Allen	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	10/12: Peter Bell; 14/12: Deb Barnes, John Fogarty; 16/12: David Rogerson		
Partners Birthdays			
Anniversaries	11/12: Di and Simon Ford (32 years); 16/12: Brian and Sue Thompson (36 years)		
Club Induction	15/12: David Baddams (13 years)		
Stats for last meeting			
Attendance	76%		
Make-Ups			
Visiting Rotarians	John Goodwin (Wagga)		
Visitors			
Heads & tails			
Raffle			

From Jane Bradford:

Still think you're having a bad day ?

A man was working on his motorcycle on the patio, his wife nearby in the kitchen. While racing the engine, the motorcycle accidentally slipped into gear. The man, still holding onto the handlebars, was dragged along as it burst through the glass patio doors. His wife, hearing the crash, ran in the room to find her husband cut and bleeding, the motorcycle, and the shattered patio door. She called for an ambulance and, because the house sat on a fairly large hill, went down the several flights of stairs to meet the paramedics and escort them to her husband.

While the attendants were loading her husband, the wife managed to right the motorcycle and push it outside. She also quickly blotted up the spilled petrol with some paper towels and tossed them into the toilet.

After being treated and released, the man returned home, looked at the shattered patio door and the damage done to his motorcycle. He went into the bathroom and consoled himself with a cigarette while attending to his business. About to stand, he flipped the butt between his legs.

The wife, who was in the kitchen, heard a loud explosion and her husband screaming. Finding him lying on the bathroom floor with his trousers blown away and burns on his buttocks, legs and groin, she once again phoned for an ambulance. The same paramedic crew was dispatched.

As the paramedics carried the man down the stairs to the ambulance they asked the wife how he had come to burn himself. She told them. They started laughing so hard, one slipped, the stretcher dumping the husband out. He fell down the remaining stairs, breaking his arm.

From Louise Matthews:

Ali Stewart – for Phillip Hughes

As he walked towards the Heaven's gates, he stood there all alone,
And turned his face back to the world, and the country he had called home.

He saw the tear stained faces

That spanned Australia wide,

For the little bloke from Macksville

Who tragically had died.

He spun to face Saint Peter, with his cap and bat in hand.

He asked

"Please don't let my friends and family suffer,

Just help them if you can."

Saint Peter embraced the saddened man and held him strong and true

"They'll never be alone my son, they'll forever still have you."

"Although you had to leave them,

And that world you did depart,

A piece of you forever remains in each of their sad hearts."

As Hughes had turned to enter Heaven through the stunning Golden Gate,

A voice yelled from the shadows, "Come over here now mate".

Bradman stood there grinning with a bat and ball in hand.

He put his arm around Phil's shoulder and said "You're up to bat young man".

R.I.P. Phillip

The Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- FIRST. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- SECOND. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- THIRD. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
- FOURTH. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good
We thank Thee for our daily food
May Rotary Friends and Rotary ways
Help us to serve Thee all our days

The Four-Way Test

Of the things we think, say or do

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Tamworth—First Light

Meets Wednesday morning,
6:30 for 7:00 am at
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Other Clubs meet:

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Friday

Tamworth West, West Tamworth Bowling Club, 6:30pm

Tamworth Rotary Club, Service Club, 6:15pm

Tamworth on Peel, Calala Inn, 6:30pm

Tamworth Sunrise, Sanctuary Inn, 7:am