



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



**President  
Diane Ford**

## Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2015 Meeting # 1251

**Quote of the Week:** “Not everything that counts can be counted and not everything that can be counted counts.” – Albert Einstein

### **Diane’s Diary**

This week we had Rob Harrison talk to us about local export and in particular the market into China. He spoke about the problems of trying to break into new markets overseas and talked about several local businesses that become quite successful overseas due to their niche markets. It was a very interesting talk.

There is plenty on at this time of the year so even if you can’t get to many meetings, please look for activities where you can still be involved with the Club.

Steve Massey is organizing lunch at the Willow Tree pub on Sunday March 22, which will be great. I hope most people have managed to get their names down

The District Conference is on this weekend March 13-15 in Inverell. President Elect Graeme Kruger and Phil Lyon will be our club representatives at the conference.

The Science and Engineering Challenge is on during the week March 16-18 so here is another opportunity to help the Club in one of its regular commitments. Please try to come along to the dinner meeting on Wednesday March 18 to test your S&E skills!! This is our Wednesday meeting and so far we don’t have many club members going.

Unfortunately I do have to give my apologies for the dinner. Although I have organized the S & E dinner, I will be in Coffs Harbour having the second stage of my ear “reconstruction” done. As James Treloar alluded to at last Wednesday’s meeting, I had tried having a male ear for a short while but I was only half listening to people and every time the sports came on TV, I seemed to be unnaturally interested. Something needed to be done! So they think they have found my old ear, or at least one very much like it, for me to have but alas, it must be done on Wednesday.

At the meeting I gave the March Board Report and I have included it in the Bulletin for those that missed it.

Well that’s it from me for another week. Be good, be safe and if you can’t be either of those at least be careful.

Cheers,

Diane.



## MEETING NOTES

**Working With Children Check: URGENT**, forward these to Maureen by April.

**Science and Engineering Challenge: 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> March** - Volunteers needed for full days or half days, see Steve Massey, David Hinwood or Phil Heffernan if you can help.

No morning meeting on 18<sup>th</sup> March. The Science and Engineering Dinner is on at Frog and Toad, 6.30pm for 7.00pm, \$45.00, payment to Phil Heffernan.





## DATES TO REMEMBER....

**17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> March:** Science and Engineering Challenge.

**Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March:** No morning meeting, Science and Engineering Dinner at night.

**Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Lunch at Willow Tree Inn, bus leaving Tamworth Train Station at 11.00am, back about 5.00pm, alternate drop menu \$50 per head, bus \$12-13 per head. **Please pay to Steve Massey by this Wednesday.**

**Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> April:** Vocational visit to the Coledale Community Centre

**Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> April:** Annual cricket match with Sunrise, at Riverside 8 starting at 4pm with a BBQ after. See Steve Massey.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:** Sunrise Club Casino Royale Ball - Eurovision, 6pm – 12am, Tamworth Town Hall, \$50 per head, payments by end of April, tables of 10. Contact Terry Melville [gouville@tpg.com.au](mailto:gouville@tpg.com.au), or see Terry Robinson if you're interested in making a First Light table.

**Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> June:** First Light Changeover

### A Few Irish Jokes: (Apologies to the Irish!)

**How is an Irish ladder different from an ordinary one?** It has a stop sign at the top.

**What are the best ten years of an Irishman's life?** Third grade.

**How does an Irish firing squad line up?** In a circle.

## Board Report for March 2015

- All Directors gave their individual reports interests of note
  - 2 new members have been proposed and passed by the board – see email from Vicki
  - Willow Tree weekend is coming up on Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> March
  - Next Vocational visit is to Coledale Community Centre on Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Anzac meeting will be on Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April
- Other matters
  - It was decided to support Ben Saulo for his workshop this week for Prevention of Suicide in Teenage Boys - \$2000 has been donated for this event to go ahead. Being held at the Community Centre with workshops next 3 days and a Forum on Fri night. Ben is a local who has organized this on his own as he sees an important need for country teens. We will hear from someone on the team in the coming weeks for feedback.
  - It was decided that \$1000 would be donated to the Coledale Centre for purchase of equipment needed prior to their opening.
  - Rotary road signs are being updated with funds being provided by Combined President's Sign account.
  - Youth Exchange Program was discussed – does this club want to support this. We will need firm commitment from 3 - 4 families.

People on leave from the club:

Bob Baddams

Graham Nuttall

Ross Lobsey

Narelle Langfield

Jennie Wright

N.B. I've changed the Post Office Raffle roster to reflect Bob being on leave so please check the changes.

<b>Meeting Roster</b>	<b>Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> March</b>	
Guest Speaker	<b>Science &amp; Engineering Dinner at 6.30pm</b>	<b>Eddie Whitham</b>	
Topic		<b>The Changing Faces of Rural Australia</b>	
Door Team		Rob Clifton Dennis Johnson	
Meeter & Greeter		Deb Barnes	
Welcome		Helen Tickle	
President Assist		Ron Allen	
Visitor Assist		Adam Bennett	
Corporal Assist		DJ Jones	
Introduction		Laurence Hearne	
Vote of Thanks		Peter Bell	
<b>Post Office Raffle Roster</b>			
<b>20<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> April</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> April</b>
Peter Bell Peter Pulley	Peter Pulley Graham Dooley	Good Friday	Graham Dooley Vicki Cooper
<b>17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup> May</b>
Vicki Cooper Dave Baddams	Dave Baddams Brian Logan	Brian Logan Paul Stevenson	Paul Stevenson James Treloar
<b>Corporals for March</b>		<b>Corporals for April</b>	
Chris Celovic and Peter Hyde		Phil Heffernan and Max Cathcart	
<b>Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions</b>			
Members Birthdays	22/3: Maureen Thornton, 24/3: Louise Matthews		
Partners Birthdays	20/3: Debra (Brian Logan)		
Anniversaries			
Club Induction			
<b>Stats for last meeting</b>			
Attendance	70%		
Make-Ups	Steve Massey, Phil Heffernan, Jane Bradford, David Hinwood (S&E committee)		
Visiting Rotarians			
Visitors	Steve Hawkins		
Heads & tails	Paul Stevenson		
Raffle	Ian Howle (Skinner)		

## 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  
Frog & Toad Function Centre  
236 Goonoo Goonoo Rd  
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### Club Officers and contact details

#### President—Diane Ford

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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