

From the desk



Rotary  Club of Tamworth
First Light **Bulletin**



DATES TO REMEMBER IN YOUR DIARIES



2016

Saturday, 18 June First Light Changeover – West Diggers

Monday, 20 June – Quirindi Changeover

Thursday, 23 June – D9650 eClub Changeover

Saturday, 25 June - District Changeover – Taree

Tuesday, 28 June – Tamworth Changeover

Wednesday, 29 June – Calala Changeover

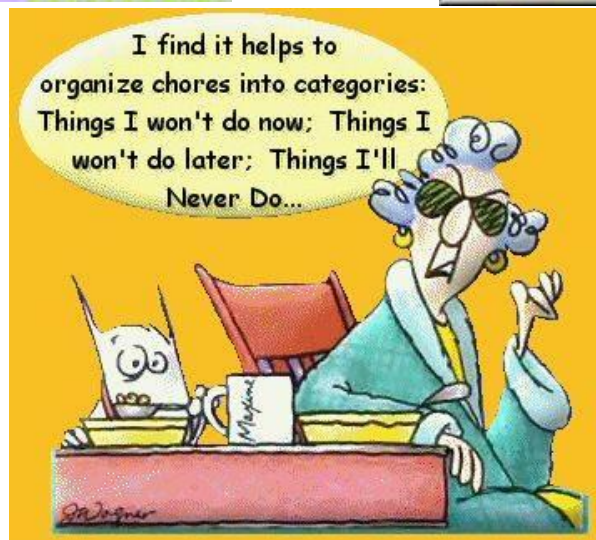
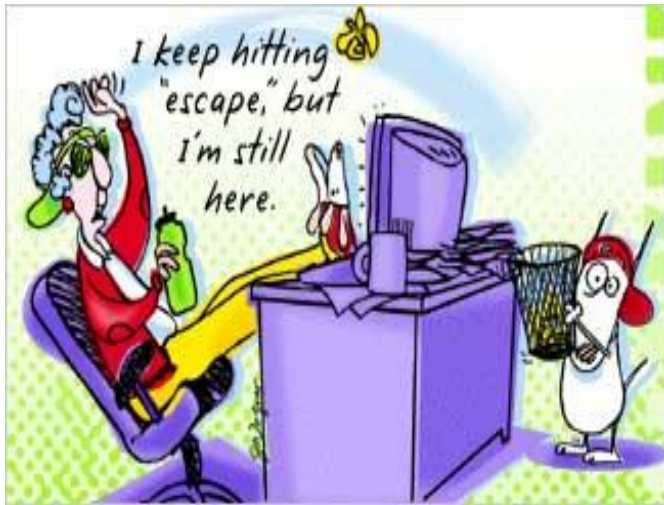
Sunday, 7 August – Friday, 12 August 2016 – 26th Gold Coast Golf Classic – book early to avoid disappointment – bookings already coming in.... Please send your details and deposit of \$750.00 to Gold Coast Golf Classic, Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light, C/- John Treloar, PO Box 533, TAMWORTH NSW 2340

Any queries please contact one of the following

John Treloar – 0518 659 052

Maureen Thornton – 0428 977 300

Dennis Maunder – 0428 456 017



Wednesday, 8 June 2016

Meeting # 1313

Quote of the Week:

**“It is well enough that people of the nation do not understand
our banking and monetary system, for if they did,
I believe there would be a revolution before tomorrow morning”**

Henry Ford

From the Desk....



Happy Birthday First Light

26 years ago on the 2nd June some of our founding members were inducted into this great Club, thanks guys (Terry Burgess, Dick Davison, Phil Heffernan, Ian Howle, Michael O'Connor, Brian Thompson, John Treloar, Dennis Johnson, John Worldon and Bruce Hemmett). It was chartered on May 29th 1990.

The Club's first President was solicitor, Brian Thompson. The club grew from the notion that many Tamworth business people would like the idea of meeting for breakfast once a week in a service club environment. The prime movers in forming the club were John Barwick and Bob Scherf from Tamworth West Rotary Club. The name First Light had its origins in the fact that Tamworth has been known as the City of Light (before Country Music Capital took over). Naturally the fact that it is a breakfast club, meeting on Wednesdays at 6:45am for 7am meeting, lent itself to the name as well.” *(Extract from Club Website)* My apologies for missing a few of the founding members names at this week's meeting.

It was also nice having another founding member Daryl Bath and his lovely wife Deborah who spoke about Motor Neurone Disease and the research to find its cure.

Deb also shared a short inspirational story of her journey to tackle the Kokoda trail to raise funds for this research.

Newly inducted Club Member Andrew Beer then gave a personal profile which certainly cemented the fact that we are lucky to have him in the First Light family.

Thanks to all those who attended Guess Who's Coming to Dinner – another great club social event well-coordinated by Peter Ryan.

Reminders:

- Barry Biffin is looking for assistance with catering coordination for RYAG Equine – please contact him on 0439 449 888.
- Incoming President Terry Robinson has asked if members make themselves available to plan for the Pedal the Peel Cycling Challenge.
- Don't forget to RSVP for the upcoming Changeover Dinner on Saturday 18 June. Invites have been emailed. Please can you RSVP to Deb Barnes at deb07@me.com or by mobile on 0411 770 552. We have a few surprises on the night.

My apologies for not being at the last meeting of my term before Changeover, I will be at a conference in Noosa for the week and PP Jim Raymond has agreed to chair the meeting in my absence.

Yours in Rotary

Graeme Kruger

NOTES....

The clubs 26th Birthday was celebrated with nearly two tables of charter members. President Graham presented the group with a birthday cake which complimented a great breakfast.

Club Changeover – Saturday, 18 June - A sheet calling for numbers was sent around and will again next week seeking numbers for catering purposes.

Rugby Match – Saturday, 11 June - **Jim Raymond** sent the roster round this morning and will be circulated next week.

Barry Biffin still looking for a Catering Coordinator and assistants for RYAG Equine on the weekend of 24 – 26 June.

Terry Robinson looking for helpers for steering committee for Pedal the Peel

GUEST & CLUB SPEAKERS -

Debra Bath-Motor Neurone Disease and Kokoda

Andrew Beer- Personal Profile

Introductions & Thanked by Graeme Kruger

Notes taken by-Bruce Hemmett

Debra Bath talked to us about Motor Neurone Disease. Since her husband Daryl was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease a close friend of Daryl, Graham Yeo, was also diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease. A chilling fact that the prevalence of Motor Neurone Disease was 1 in 500 not so long ago - it is now 1 in 280 persons.



Debra recently completed a fundraiser for Motor Neurone Disease by successfully walking the Kokoda Track and raising some \$20,000 for research.

President Graham present Debra a cheque for \$1,500 from the Club towards her Motor Neurone Disease fundraising.

Andrew Beer – Presented a very polished personal profile. Given the shortness of time he used a power point presentation to condense his life into the time available. Features of Andrew's presentation included his early childhood through to adolescence, school, sporting achievements, love, marriage to the beautiful Natasha and his three lovely children. His career with the ANZ Bank, coaching his son's soccer team, raising his family as well as Rotary certainly keep Andrew busy.



Andrew was thanked by Michael O'Connor.

JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS MONTH



ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS

www.rotary.org/fellowships

Rotary Golf Fellowship – contact Oscar@ojk.ch

IGFR Web Site



These figures might be of interest to you:

In 2015 we had more than 16'000 visitors coming from all over the world. 65% are New visitors and 35% are returning visitors.

We had 18 new IGFR-membership-registrations in 2015.

We wish all new members having joined us in 2015 a warm welcome. Please consult regularly our web site: www.igfr-international.com

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Remain unchanged. However, with regard to annual membership, new members are asked to pay initially three (3) annual membership fees, 3 x USD 35.00 or 3 x € 25.00. LT-membership remains at USD 280.00 or € 195.00

Annual membership fees are due at the beginning of the year. Those not having yet paid the annual membership fee, please settle the dues soonest.

The membership fees are due for the calendar year.

Thanks for your understanding.

Meeting Roster	Wednesday, 8 June	Wednesday, 22 June	
Venue	Diggers - 6:30am	Diggers - 6:30am	
Topic	Mal McPherson-Youth Insearch	Terry Robinson - Overview	
Door Team	Diane Ford John Glynn	Dennis Johnson Chris Watson	
Meeter & Greeter	Dennis Maunder	Liz Gill	
Welcome	Richard Hardwick	Marina Lawrence	
President Assist	Richard Walker	Brian Logan	
Visitor Assist	Andrew Beer	Christine Shewry	
Corporal Assist	Dean Clutterbuck	Louise Matthews	
Bulletin Notes	Peter Ryan	Paul Stevenson	
Introduction	Paul Stevenson	DJ Jones	
Vote of Thanks	Tom Hellmann	Paul Stevenson	
Post Office Raffle Roster			
10 June	17 June	24 June	1 July
James Treloar Phil Heffernan	Phil Heffernan Rob Clifton	Peter Pulley Christine Shewry	Christine Shewry Rob Clifton
8 July	15 July	22 July	29 July
Graham Dooley Paul Stevenson	Paul Stevenson Brian Logan	Brian Logan Michael O'Connor	Michael O'Connor
Corporals for June		Corporals for July	
Phil Heffernan & Michael O'Connor		Deb Barnes & David Hinwood	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	Simone Church (17/06), Narelle Langfield & Brodie Shields (21/06)		
Partners Birthdays	NIL		
Anniversaries	Phil and Patricia Heffernan (28/06), Dennis and Roslyn Maunder (24/06)		
Club Induction	Brodie Shields (15/06, 20 years), Brett White (20/06, 18 years), Louise Matthews (18/06, 11 years), Robert Clifton (24/06, 7 years)		
Attendance	60%		
Make-Ups	NIL		
Visiting Rotarians	Reiko Izumi (YEP), Alan Coates		
Visitors	Darryl and Deb Bath		
Heads & Tails	Phil Lyon		
Raffle	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

West's Diggers

Kable Avenue

TAMWORTH NSW 2340

Phone: 6766 4661

Club Officers and contact details

President—Graeme Kruger

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Secretary—Brodie Shields

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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 Rotary), Calala Inn, 6:30pm

Tamworth Sunrise, Sanctuary Inn, 7:00am