

CLUB OF TAMWORTH FIRST LIGHT BULLETIN

2016-2017

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Secretary: Helen Tickle

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To submit your favourite 'first light' photo, please send to <u>dimity.betts@nswcc.org.au</u>



NOTES & DIARY DATES 2016



Farewell Graeme Kruger- The time has come to farewell our member and past president Graeme Kruger. He will be moving on to Leeton with Jackie and has been offered a position with the Rice Growers Association. We wish him all the best in his future endeavours.

Your chance to bid on a Queenstown holiday- Graeme Kruger has kindly donated 3 nights' accommodation for 6 people in Queenstown. The apartment has 3 bed, 3 bath and is surrounded by the adventure capital of New Zealand and at the doorstep of wineries, beautiful scenery and plenty of day trip opportunities. The winning bid amount will go towards the golf trip fundraising. Please forward your silent bid to John Treloar.

Increase in fees- the board has made the decision to increase fees \$5 per year to \$275.

Pedal the Peel- Sunrise Club has agreed to join us in organising Pedal the Peel.

Social nights- there will be drinks one Friday a month at the Post Office Hotel. Please also stay for dinner.

Westpac Ball- Westpac has called on us to help with bump in, on the day and bump out setup for Rio! Ball at William Cowper. It will be held on Saturday September 24th.

Magpies Rugby- a majority of the club voted to not continue the Magpies canteen/bar/gate at home games after this year. The vote was necessary after Magpies decided to outsource the bar to another supplier (who also do Pirates bar). We will be looking for something else to take its place.

Goods needed for Syrian Refugees-Paul Stevenson is travelling to Turkey and will be visiting Syrian Refugees who are seamstresses. If anyone has any goods that could be useful to them, see Paul.

Opera by the Lake- a project of Rotary Clubs of Great Lakes, will be held in March 2017. Please forward expressions of interest to run a bus over to attend to Dimity Betts. See flyer below.

Golf Trip- Any donations of goods that could be used in raffles for the upcoming golf trip would be appreciated. It is one of our major fundraisers and many members have been generous in the past. Please see John Worldon or John Treloar if you can help. The golf trip is the 7th-12th August.



Wednesday, 3rd August 2016

Meeting # 1321

Quote of the week: "There is test to find whether your mission on earth is finished......if you are alive, it is not" – Richard Bach

ROBBOS RAMBLINGS

It has been said before that the best guest speakers come from within our club.

Deb Barnes life story was delivered with honesty, integrity, passion and sincerity and really displayed the soul of Deb Barnes. Deb told all and shows what a genuine, passionate member and friend that we all have.

Next week, Katie Penman will provide her story after her GSE tour.

Club subs which are comprised of Rotary International per capitas, district dues, the Downunder Magazine, a donation to RAWCS and a sum for club admin has been set at \$275.00. The payment is requested via EFT as soon as possible as both are RI and District Subs are due to be paid by the club right now.

We have decided to have a monthly social meet at the Post Office Hotel for drinks and for those who wish to stay, on dinner. Keep your eyes on the bulletin for the dates.

Dimity is seeking expressions of interest in those who may wish to attend Opera By The Lakes being run by the Tuncurry Rotary Club on 4 March. If you are interested please contact Dimity and if there is sufficient interest group bookings for accommodation can be made.

Also a reminder that the District Convention in Laurieton is on 24 to 26 March and I would like there to be a strong contingent from our club as I believe this is very fertile ground to learn more about Rotary and what other clubs in our district are doing and will inspire us achieve more.

Enjoy your club.

Get to know your fellow Rotarians.

Get involved and do good in the world.

Terry Robinson Rotary Serving Humanity



GUEST SPEAKER

Deb Barnes-Personal profile

Intro-President Terry

Thanks-Stephen Massey

Notes- Stephen Hawkins

Deb was born in Marrickville but did not live in Sydney.

Deb's parents were out station managers in western NSW. Mum



headed to Sydney to stay with her sisters when bubs were due.

The family, including older brother Terry Little and younger sisters Veronica and Christine, lived in Bourke when Deb was born. The family then moved to Tooraweena, Mount Parry and then 40kms from Mungindi.

Deb's dad was the outstation manager on Cleverland, a property of 80,000 acres on the Moree black soil plains. Deb had a fantastic childhood on the properties. She grew up riding horses, swimming in the dam with the snakes, fishing and enjoying family life on the land.

The majority of Deb's education in the early years had been by correspondence but when it was time for Terry to go to High School Mum decided that they needed to move to town. Deb was enrolled at Tamworth West Public school and then on to Tamworth High School. She says that while at High School she studied hard and, whilst we have not been able to verify this, we have no reason to doubt it. Level 1's in the Higher School Certificate do speak highly of her commitment. In 1975 she was elected Vice-Captain.

She played many sports including hockey, basketball and was a keen cyclist. She was ladies club champ for many years in TCCC and competed all over the state.

In January 1977 she married Eric, the love of her life. Two children followed. Kristen was born in October 1980 and Broderik (AKA Rik) in September, 1983.

The most devastating day for Deb and the children was when Eric lost his life while riding his new Aprilla RSV4 home from Phillip Island with some mates on 2/3/10.

His skills in motor sports is indicated by the fact that he was Australian Super Kart Champion, Australian Hill climb, NSW, Queensland and South Australian Hill climb Champion and Saloon car champion.

After completing a Bachelor of Business in Accounting and Technology 1999 Deb began her career with the Department of Education. Her roles included Regional Finance Manager, Regional Manager Technology in Schools, Regional Manager Web Services and Regional Manager of Digital Revolution. Deb retired from education in 2011.

Kristen and her family returned to Tamworth to help Deb manage the Smash Repair Business that the family owned. Despite knowing very little about the industry they not only survived but moved forward with a number of improvements and wise investments in new equipment. They have recently sold the business.

Six grandchildren, lots of travel and an active sport and social life keeps Deb fit and busy. Her new found interest in Golf appears to be taking up a larger proportion of her time.



In Deb's own words- "I am so lucky to have so many wonderful friends who are an amazing strength when you have to get through difficult times. I really appreciate the friendship here at Rotary and hope to help with more things."



MEET YOUR 16/17 BOARD AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS

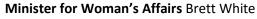
Board:

President Terry Robinson PE Michael Smith Secretary Helen Tickle Treasurer Jane Bradford Club Admin Peter Ryan Service Brett White Foundation Steve Massey Public Relations Membership Brodie Shields

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Group Study Exchange 2016 – 2017

A Program of Districts 9650 and 1900 NW Germany



to reminder Club International Directors that we will be sending a team to District 1900 which is in the Ruhr/Rhine area of Western Germany centred on Essen & Dortmund. The inbound team will be in our District from 26 February 2017 to 27 March finishing up at the 2017 District Conference. Our team to District 1900 will be in Germany from 28 May 2017 to 25 June 2017.

The program provides for study groups of four non-Rotarian Team Members and one Rotarian Team Leader to travel for 4 weeks - staying in the homes of Rotarians and undertaking vocational visits as well as historical and cultural opportunities. This is a once in a life time opportunity for all.

We are looking for clubs to nominate both Rotarian Team Leaders and also Team Members.

The Rotarian Team Leader [of any age] will be required to lead and develop the team into a coordinated unit whilst the team member criteria is:

- Aged between 25 40 at time of application [males]
- o NOT a current Rotarian nor a current Rotarian's spouse
- CAN be the child or grandchild of a Rotarian [note the change from prior rules]
- <u>SHOULD</u> be employed for 2 years [approx] in <u>any</u> recognised business or profession – full time preferred
- <u>MUST</u> work and live in the District 9650 and be an Australian citizen.

Selection process

Selections will incorporate a separate process for the Team Leader role and the Team Member role. The Team Leader selection will occur on 24 September 2016 at Guyra and the initial Team Member selections on 29/30 October and the final one on 12/13 November 2016 both at Tamworth. Application forms, syllabus for study and PR draft are placed on the District Website <u>www.rotary9650.org.au/documents-library</u> and scroll down to International for the GSE documents.

Applications for Team Leader close on 9 September and Team Members on 14 October 2016.



AUGUST IS MEMBERSHIP AND EXTENSION MONTH

Did you know August is Rotary Membership and Extension Month? Each week this month I will feature an idea on membership building from rotary.org.

All Rotarians are ambassadors of Rotary and their clubs. This is especially relevant during Membership and Extension Month in August, when the focus is on building strong, vibrant clubs by inviting prospective members to join Rotary. Interested in growing your club but not sure how to get started?



Start with Rotary Basics

The colorful Rotary Basics guide (published in the August issue of *The Rotarian* and Rotary regional magazines) gives an overview of what Rotary clubs do. Order copies from shop.rotary.org for members to share with prospective Rotarians and club guests. Include your club's contact information with the guide or direct prospective members to www.rotary.org/join, which includes a link to the Prospective Member Form.

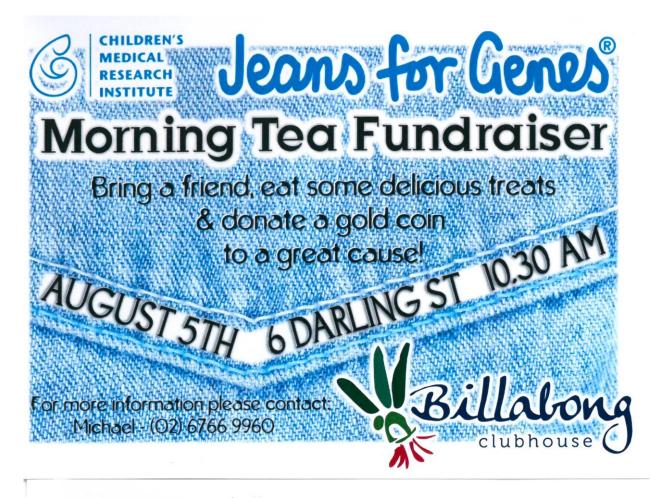
A GREAT SUNSET THAT DIDN'T QUITE CUT IT AS 'FIRST LIGHT' FRONT PAGE.

Thanks Jim Raymond













March 4th 2017 John Wright Park Tuncurry NSW

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| Meeting Roster | Wednesday 3 rd August | | Wednesday 10 th August | | |
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| Venue | Diggers 6:30am | | Diggers 6:30am | | |
| Торіс | Katie Penman-GSE Germany | | Greg Rowland-Tamworth Taxis | | |
| Door Team | John Worldon | | Tom Hellmann | | |
| | Robert Sharp | | lan Howle | | |
| Meeter & Greeter | James Treloar | | Valerie Hellmann | | |
| Welcome | Peter Pulley | | Dwone Jones | | |
| President Assist | Peter Hyde | | Brodie Shields | | |
| Visitor Assist | Joseph Townsend | | Michelle Shanahan | | |
| Corporal Assist | Brian Thompson | | Julian Smith | | |
| Bulletin Notes | Dean Clutterbuck | | Dennis Maunder | | |
| Introduction | Peter Ryan | | Graham Nuttall | | |
| Vote of Thanks | Laurence Hearne | | | Michael Smith | |
| Post Office Raffle Roster | | | | | |
| 5 August | 12 August | 19 A | ugust | 26 August | |
| Marina Lawrence | Dimity Betts | - | ne Jones | David Baddams | |
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| 2 September | 9 September | 19 September | | 26 September | |
| Barry Biffin Rob Clifton | Simone Church Graham Dooley | | Clifton o Church | Graham Dooley Laurence Hearne | |
| | | Simone Church Laurence Hearne Corporals for September | | | |
| Corporals for August | | · · | | | |
| Deb Barnes & Max Cathcart Richard Walker & Andrew Beer | | | ilker & Andrew Beer | | |
| Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions | | | | | |
| Members Birthdays | Rob Clifton (08/08), Lesley Hood (03/08) | | | | |
| Partners Birthdays | NIL | | | | |
| Anniversaries | Ron and Hellen Allen (30 years-09/08) | | | | |
| Club Induction | Phil Lyon (11 years- 03/08) | | | | |
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| Attendance | 69% | | | | |
| Make-Ups | NIL | | | | |
| Visiting Rotarians | NIL | | | | |
| Visitors | Natalie Conn, Kristen Barnes | | | | |
| Heads & Tails | Jim Raymond | | | | |
| 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.

| RotaryGrace 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? |
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| Tamworth—First Light Meets Wednesday morning, 6:30 for 7:00 am at Wests Diggers Kable Avenue TAMWORTH NSW 2340 Phone: 6766 4661 | Club Officers and contact details President—Terry Robinson president@tamworthfirstlight.org.au Secretary—Helen Tickle secretary@tamworthfirstlight.org.au |
| 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 |



