



Rotary

CLUB OF TAMWORTH FIRST LIGHT BULLETIN

2016-2017

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NOTES & DIARY DATES 2016

Bowel Scan Month- This year kits will be sold as a combined club effort. Volunteers will be required between 29 April to 6 May.

Gold Coast golf trip- 6-11th August. See Dennis Maunder, Maureen Thornton, Deb Barnes or John Treloar to express interest.

Michael O'Connor is looking for a garage to park his sedan vehicle while his driveway is being replaced and he is overseas. The dates are:

- Thursday 4MAY17 to Friday 26MAY17.

Remuneration by negotiation (beer, wine, scotch, cash!). Contact 0437-593479 or michaeloconnor1@bigpond.com

Pedal the Peel was a huge success with approx. 250 riders taking part and \$30,000 raised for our chosen charities! Feedback was great with one rider saying “you did an awesome job organising this event!! I had a ball and many friends riding who cannot fault this day. Thank you for doing a fabulous job and to all the volunteers for the encouragement, happy faces, and help making the day a success.”

Wednesday, 5th April 2017

Meeting # 1352

Quote of the week: *“Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day”.*

ROBBO'S RAMBLINGS

At the last meeting, the Club had the pleasure of presenting a Paul Harris Fellow to David Green. David amongst many other things has been involved in utilising his own aircraft for Angel Flight for about nine years. This involves transporting patients from remote locations to receive medical care.

He has been a regular sponsor and a volunteer at the Science and Engineering Challenge. His business sponsors many local sporting teams and he has been integrally involved in the Lions Club Annual Duck Race on the Peel River for many years.

He was involved in the Outback Air Race in 2015 and flew from Esperance to Hamilton Island along with 28 other aircrafts which in total raised \$585,000.00 for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

David is passionate about serving the community and it was great to see his wife Leanne and son Mitch in attendance.

Ross Bingham, the Chief Executive Officer of Ronald McDonald House was also in attendance and accepted a cheque for about \$7,800.00 being part of the proceeds raised through the Santa Crawl. This event raised just on \$22,000.00 this year for Ronald McDonald House.

Seven club members and their partners attended the District Convention at Laurieton last weekend. The program was inspirational and showcased many of Rotarys existing projects and proposed projects.

I can report that the District project involving, providing clean water to 80 schools in India will proceed and a global grant application is just about to be lodged.



Our Club was awarded the District Vocational Service Award for our involvement in the Careers Expo and the Science and Engineering Challenge.

Many thanks to Steve Hawkins and Marina Lawrence who head up those committees. It is nice to be recognised for those community service projects that our Club has been involved in for many, many years.

Our guest speaker from Tamworth Regional Council was Bruce Logan who heads up the directorship for Water, Sewerage & Waste.

He gave a presentation regarding the Council's decision to utilise landfill gas which results from the decay of organic waste at the tip which produces methane gas.

Council has elected to construct and operate a gas destruction scheme. Methane gas is a much more deadly gas than carbon dioxide and the scheme will result in a reduction in carbon emissions.

The Federal Government will pay the Council about \$200,000.00 a year for seven years to eliminate the methane gas. Council has drilled 33 wells and they will all be interconnected and the gas burnt off.

Next week, we will know the results of the Pedal The Peel Cycling Challenge and hopefully the club's time commitment and dedication will pay off.

At our next meeting, Dean Clutterbuck will be providing his personal profile.

Have a great week and I will see you at the Pedal The Peel Cycling Challenge and at the next meeting.

Regards

Robbo





GUEST SPEAKER

Bruce Logan

TRC Water and Waste Management Director

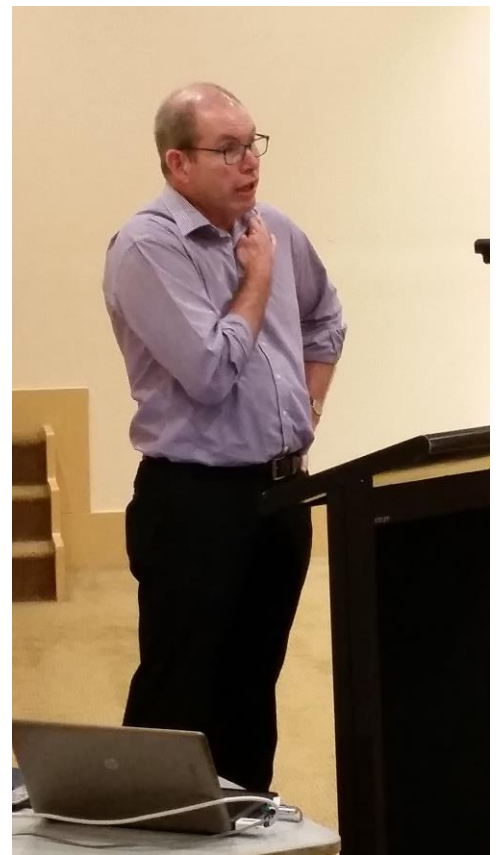
Introduction & notes: Marina Lawrence

Thanks: Peter Ryan

Bruce gave us an overview of the Landfill Gas Project at Forest Road.

At the moment Methane from landfill is not processed. By converting the methane into carbon dioxide, this will hopefully help reduce the impact to the land, surrounding trees and residents.

4 wells were drilled to trial this project. The generation rates were 493m³/ per hour.



Council must apply to the government to be paid for the conversion of this gas. They place an auction bid which must be as close as possible to the value they assume will be produced. A bid that is too low means that they may miss out on being paid for gas that they over produce and anything too high, they may not be given the funding. In 2016 TRC were awarded their bid of \$200,000 which will be paid for the next 7 years.



33 wells connected with polyethylene pipe will be placed at Forest Road Landfill where the gas can be collected and burnt off. You may see a gas flare at the landfill when you go there next. This will be a 12 month trial of collecting and burning gas only. After this 12 month period, TRC may see if any other projects are viable that could utilise the gas better rather than just burning it off.

Side note, if you didn't happen to know already - Methane kills trees.

Unfortunately we ran out of time for the second project that Bruce wished to present so hopefully he will attend another time to fill us in.

Meeting Roster	Wednesday 5 th April	Wednesday 12 th April	
Venue	West Diggers 6:30am	West Diggers 6:30am	
Topic	Dean Clutterbuck-personal profile	Sgt. Michael Buko	
Door Team	Brian Thompson Chris Watson	Peter Bell John Fogarty	
Meeter & Greeter	Diane Ford	Maureen Thornton	
Welcome	David Hinwood	Michelle Shanahan	
President Assist	Phil Lyon	Louise Matthews	
Visitor Assist	Tom Hellmann	Jim Raymond	
Corporal Assist	Ian Howle	Simone Church	
Bulletin Notes	Maureen Thornton	Val Hellmann	
Introduction	Maureen Thornton	Val Hellmann	
Vote of Thanks	Paul Stevenson	Glen McIntosh	
Post Office Raffle Roster			
7 April	14 April	21 April	28 April
James Treloar Brian Thompson	Good Friday	James Treloar John Treloar	John Treloar Richard Walker
5 May	12 May	19 May	26 May
Richard Walker Brett White	Helen Tickle Brett White	Helen Tickle Barry Biffin	Barry Biffin Jane Bradford
Corporals for April		Corporals for May	
Phil Penman & Natalie Conn		James Treloar & Richard Walker	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	Chris Watson (9/4)		
Partners Birthdays	NIL		
Anniversaries	John and Janet Treloar (41 years-9/4)		
Club Induction	Laurence Heme (22 years-5/4), Stephen Hawkins (2 years-8/4), Simone Church (1 year-6/4)		
Attendance	65%		
Make-Ups	NIL		
Visiting Rotarians	NIL		
Visitors	Bruce Logan, David Green, Leanne Green, Mitch Green, Ross Bingham		
Heads & Tails	Skinner		
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
 Wests Diggers
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Club Officers and contact details

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Other Clubs meet:

Monday	Tamworth West, West Tamworth Bowling Club, 6:30pm
Tuesday	Tamworth Rotary Club, Service Club, 6:15pm
Wednesday	Tamworth on Peel – (Calala Rotary), Calala Inn, 6:30pm
Friday	Tamworth Sunrise, Sanctuary Inn, 7:00am