

# CLUB OF TAMWORTH FIRST LIGHT BULLETIN

2016-2017

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# **NOTES & DIARY DATES 2016**

# **Changeover dinner-Saturday night 17<sup>th</sup> June @ Diggers**

**Careers Expo-** volunteers needed for bump in, bump out and on the day. The dates are May 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. See Marina if you can help.

**Club funding-** at the next board meeting the board will allocate funds. Please see President Terry or anyone from the board if you'd like to submit a suggestion for funding.

**MUNA-** Andrew Beer has arranged 3 teams from Oxley, they are years 11 and 12 and have also expressed interest to come and speak to the club afterwards.

**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- 6-11**<sup>th</sup> **August.** See Dennis Maunder, Maureen Thornton, Deb Barnes or John Treloar to express interest.

**60 seconds-** Peter Hyde spoke about the changes to electricity supply over the years, from a highly regulated one to one these days where many suppliers are available. Always negotiate your bill as 50% is set but the other 50% is added up to the supplier.



# Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017 Meeting # 1354

## **ROBBO'S RAMBLINGS**

#### Joke of the Week:

A man received a text from his neighbour saying "I am so sorry Bob, I am riddled with guilt and I have to confess. I have been tapping into your wife, in fact quite a lot when you are not around and it has been going on for some time. I am not getting any at home and I know that is no excuse. I hope you will accept my sincerest apologies and I promise not to do it again".

Bob the neighbour, fuming with anger and feeling betrayed by his wife, stormed into her bedroom and promptly killed her.

A couple of seconds later, a text arrived from his neighbour saying "Bloody autocomplete, I meant to say **Wi-Fi** not wife!!!"

This week we were lucky enough to have a visit from ex-member Patricia Varley who told us a little about her life on the Southern Highlands and her continued involvement in community activities.

We were also visited by Rhiannon, our RYLA applicant who is looking at becoming a member. That would be a great result for RYLA and our club.



Head of the Tamworth Highway Patrol, Sergeant Michael Buko provided an insight into policing as a highway patrolman and in particular into the technology that is available in a police motor vehicle.

Michael is a family man with a 4-year-old and a 7-year-old who are loving country life. They moved from Dee Why in Sydney to the country and love the fact that they can afford a large home at Forest Hills with a swimming pool. Michael told me that his daughter was a keen horse rider and it was in fact affordable in the country where as in the city it was something he would not be able to afford.

All highway patrol vehicles have Dome cameras on the roof and everything is filmed.

Number plate recognition is automatic and scans all vehicles displaying whether the vehicle is registered or unregistered. From there the police can ascertain whether there are any unpaid fines, whether the person is wanted, their traffic history, their criminal history and other information.

The police are looking at having purpose-built police cars which have all the technology built in and also using all-wheel drive vehicles which they consider safer.

Judging by the number of questions it was a presentation well received and Michael thanked the Club for the warm welcome he had received.

Probably one of the funniest things I have seen for a long while, was after the meeting, I came across Dimity loitering on the sidewalk next to her motor vehicle. When I asked why she was not moving on, she responded "my car is un-registered and I need to wait until Sgt Buko leaves"...... who would have thought that our innocent little Dimity is in fact a hardened criminal!!



Peter Hyde told us a little bit about the complexities of the electrical industry which left us in no doubt that there is little chance of any of us really understanding how the industry works, how pricing works and getting the best price for yourself.

Our next meeting is our ANZAC Remembrance meeting.

We have a special presentation from Brad Anderson who will provide a presentation including a digital presentation regarding **Fromelles**.

I think that this will be a meeting not to be missed.

Marina indicated that she needs assistance for three days around the Careers Expo as the Club is responsible for the entire set up and pull down. It may be however that Joblink Plus may be able to assist.

Please indicate your ability to assist as soon as possible.

Ian Howle is circulating a volunteers list for the Bowelscan Week for the period 29 April to 6 May. Once again please be generous with your time.

On the 10 May, we will have six Rylarians present to us their experience at RYLA this year, another event not to be missed.

The programs provided at each of our club meetings this year and sourced by John Fogerty have been outstanding and are real feature of this year's club meetings.



I encourage any member who would like to bring their partner or friend or colleague along to experience our club meetings and the guest speakers to do so.

I personally thank John for his hard work in providing what I think has been one of the best programs that I can recall for our Club in recent years.

Until next week, have a great week.

# Yours in Rotary

# Robbo





### **GUEST SPEAKER**

# **Sargent Michael Buko-Highway Patrol**

Introduction and thanks: Glenn McIntosh

**Notes:** Dimity Betts

Michael grew up in a police family and is now married to a woman from a police family (she is also in the police force). Michael is from Dee Why and has been working on the North Shore of Sydney.

His position in Tamworth is as Highway Patrol Sargent. Michael has a team of 9 constables. He is also an executive of the Police Association.

Technology allows them to know a person's driving history, registration details etc just by their number plate-their cars will detect if there is any infringement and will show up as red.

Highway patrols have a 'nut' installed which is a whole computer; they can move it between cars. All their tickets are done on a Samsung Galaxy 4.

Currently, in Australia highway patrol cars are custom fit out; in America Chrysler and Ford make purpose built highway patrols. Michael says they may come to Australia one







day but our current requirement is too small to warrant the manufacturers to make them to suit our right hand drive.

Michael got asked many questions including around drugs, speeding, David Rixon's car, how to get out of a ticket and road conditions.



**Love Story** 

I will seek and find you ... .
I shall take you to bed and have my way with you

I will make you ache, shake & sweat until you moan & groan.

I will make you beg

I will exhaust you to the point that you will be relieved when I'm finished with you.

And, when I am finished, you will be weak for days.

All my love,





# The Flu

Now, get your mind out of the gutter and go get your flu shot!



# APRIL IS MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH MONTH

An excerpt from Rotary District 9650 E-News, number 38

### **RURAL HOSPITAL FOR NEPAL**

District Community Services Director

Debbie Loveday writes:

It was a privilege for those at the Rotary District 9650 conference to hear Associate Professor Ray Hodgson talk about the needs of the



Nepalese women in respect of Prolapse repair.

He informed us of the horrendous mortality rates for young women and babies in comparison to Australia. Death occurs from pregnancy complications, birth difficulties, post-natal haemorrhage or from suicide because of genital or pelvic organ prolapse.

Dr Hodgson has been travelling to Nepal for 6 years to perform this vital surgery. Hope and dignity has been restored to a few. There are thousands of women who desperately





need this surgery. During these times, he has been instrumental in teaching Nepalese surgeons the techniques involved in this type of surgery in the hope that they can carry on the work when they return to their own hospitals.

In conjunction with this, Nepalese midwives have been up skilled to be able to competently perform Ultrasound techniques as an aid to diagnosing life threatening conditions.

Rotary in conjunction with Australians 4 Women's Health (A4WH) are building a hospital at Charikot in the Dolakha region of Nepal to provide the women with a safe place to give birth. They will be safe in the knowledge that the doctors and nurses at the hospital can provide them with the expertise necessary to ensure a safe birth, safe delivery of their baby and should the need arise genital prolapse surgery to ensure quality of life for all women.

If you would like to help please go to:

https://donations.rawcs.com.au/Default.aspx? ProjectID=918&ReturnTo=4

Dr Ray Hodgson is a member of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie. More information on his work can be viewed at http://www.a4wh.org/

No matter
how educated,
talented, rich or
cool you believe you are,
how you treat people
ultimately tells all.
Integrity is everything.



	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April			Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	
Meeting Roster	Treamedady 25 7 pm			Treameday 20 7 pm	
Venue	West Diggers 6:30am		West Diggers 6:30am		
Topic	Brad Anderson-ANZAC meeting-Fromelles		Nichola Cotter-Physio Rehab		
Door Team	Sue O'Connor		Peter Pulley		
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Meeter & Greeter	Rob Sharp		Michelle Shanahan		
Welcome	James Treloar		Peter Bell		
President Assist	Simone Church		Tim Coates		
Visitor Assist	Richard Hardwick		Louise Matthews		
Corporal Assist	Brian Logan		Jim Raymond		
Bulletin Notes	Dennis Maunder		Val Hellmann		
Introduction	Dennis Maunder		Val Hellmann		
Vote of Thanks	Graham Nutall			Julian Smith	
Post Office Raffle Roster					
21 April	28 April	5 1	May	12 May	
James Treloar	John Treloar	Richard Walker		Helen Tickle	
John Treloar	Richard Walker	Brett White		Brett White	
19 May	26 May	2 June		9 June	
Helen Tickle	Jane Bradford	Simone Church		Barry Biffin	
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Corporals for April			Corporals for May		
Phil Penman & Natalie Conn			James Treloar & Richard Walker		
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions					
Members Birthdays	Graham Nuttall (25/4)				
Partners Birthdays	Roselyn (partner of Dennis Maunder, 21/4)				
Anniversaries	Julian & Annette Smith (25 years-19/4), Terry & Sue Robinson (33 years-21/4), Laurence & Liz Hearne (38 years-21/4), Dimity & Rob Betts (1 year-23/4)				
Club Induction	Tim Coates (14 years-23/4)				
Attendance	65%				
Make-Ups	NIL				
Visiting Rotarians	NIL				
Visitors	Patricia Varley (ex-member), Rhiannon Smith (Rylarian)				
Heads & Tails	Christie Shewry				
Raffle	Bruce Hemmett				



### 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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#### Other Clubs meet:

Friday

**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 Tamworth Sunrise, Sanctuary Inn, 7:00am



