

# CLUB OF TAMWORTH FIRSTLIGHT

**Bulletin** 

2016-2017

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## Diary Notes and Dates

# Changeover dinner-Saturday night 17th June @ Diggers

16th June 2017 Sunrise Rotary changeover
17th June 2017 First Light Rotary changeover
19th June 2017 West Tamworth Rotary changeover
22<sup>rd</sup> June 2017 9650 Rotary eClub changeover
26th June 2017 Quirindi Rotary changeover
26th June 2017 Manilla Changeover
27th June 2017 Tamworth Rotary changeover
28th June 2017 Calala Rotary changeover
1st July 2017 District 9650 changeover Laurieton

**Cancer Council Dance for Cancer**- Dimity is looking for volunteers to help with set up on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June as well as the bar and food service for the event.

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

Musical Gala Event - This will be a combined Rotary event to be held on August 5.

**Barry Biffin** - reported that an International World Cup Tent Pegging qualifying event will be held in Tamworth in early January 2018. Participants will come from many parts of the world to compete. Barry will keep the Club informed as planning progresses and how our Club may be able to support the running of this prestigious event.

**60 seconds**- James Treloar enlightened us with his memory of school days and his amusing thoughts. His school learning resulted in his philosophy "No one team has all the best players."



# Wednesday, 7th June 2017

#### **Meeting # 1361**

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Quote of the Week:

"I think women are foolish to pretend they are equal to men.

They are far superior and always have been.

Whatever you give a woman, she will make greater.

If you give her a sperm, she will give you a baby.

If you give her a house, she will give you a home.

If you give her groceries, she will give you a meal.

If you give her a smile, she will give you her heart.

She multiplies and enlarges what is given to her.

So, if you give her any crap, be ready to receive a tonne of ...."

William Golding

British Novelist, Playwright and Poet 1911-1933

Welcome back to Jim Rayman who now has a posting in Tamworth.

Welcome once again to Andrew Moore and our regular visitor Sam Peacocke from Dubbo. It is the 27<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the charter of our club this month and we still have ten charter members as current members of our club.

This is indicative of the Club's strong vibe and inclusive approach where like-minded people get together to achieve extraordinary things to serve our communities.

Glenn McIntosh did not mention too much about whether he was married, his children or his professional career but we do know he is into political satire, the Rolling Stones, is a die-hard Manly supporter, wagged school to ride the Manly ferry when the swell was big, was a surf lifesaver and notwithstanding 50 years of life, "things have changed but not really".

It is clear that Glenn had spent some time preparing his presentation and providing his profile in a uniquely different way, for which we thank him.



The District Centennial Project with the goal of installing 80 water filters in 80 State schools in India has with the benefit of district fundraising, a district grant and a global grant amassed approximately \$126,000.00 to now make the project a reality.

This will make a massive difference to over 80,000 school students in India and I have indicated to the committee that our club would be willing to assist in the installation and training in India. Please let me know if you are interested.

Dimity is still looking for volunteers to assist with the Dance for Cancer event on 24 June. Please let her know if you can assist.

There is a combined outgoing and incoming Board meeting at my office, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 201 Marius Street at 7.00 am on Monday, 6 June. Any club member who wishes to attend is also welcome.

Our gala changeover dinner with a "Go to the Races" theme is to be held at Diggers, Kable Avenue on Saturday, 17 June.

Please check the expiry date of your working with children clearance and provide that to Maureen Thornton.

This coming week we have Kevin Anderson providing a political update for us.

Here's an opportunity for you to throw some loaded questions at our Local Member.

Enjoy the week!

Cheers

Robbo

This is an article in Column 8 of The Sydney Morning Herald which was published on 31 – st May 1967 – the day our guest speaker was born. Price of newspaper was 5c.

#### 'Softly, softly.

South of the boarder they have a much gentler way of collecting debts. For instance, this recent reminder from a Bendigo knitting mill to an Albury businessman:

"Psychologists and psychiatrists subscribe to a theory that a disappointment can — and does- have a deep and lasting traumatic effect on a person's personality....

"I am disappointed that your cheque for \$- for March has not been received....

"If the cheque has already been mailed, please accept my grateful thanks right now-but if not, will you please send it today for sure as, I am sure, you would not wish such a catastrophic thing to happen to me....'

#### **GUEST SPEAKER**



Introduction: Ron Allen Thank you: Simone Church

#### Profile Glenn McIntosh

Returned to Tamworth to live full time at end of 2016.

Was a past First Light member from 1995 and worked at BAe at Airport under the previous owners.

Has been together with Angela and the children for ten years, Nicholas 18, Alexander 17 Samuel 15 and Sophie 13. First met Angela via a Rotary connection when Angela was Tamworth Rotaract President back in the early 90's.

He was brought into this world on June 5<sup>th</sup> 1967 and was born in the sleepy suburb of Mona Vale on Sydney's Northern Beaches. His family included an older brother, sister and younger brother.

His Mum and Dad had built a house in Narraweena in the early 1960's.

The locals refer to the Northern Beaches as "God's Country" and he explained the reasons other parts of Sydney dislike the area are wider and more involved than just having the best Rugby League club in the history of the game. From his birth til he finished high school Manly had been in 8 Grand finals and won 4 of them – Go Eagles! – is a much rusted on Manly fan.

Glenn reflected on the strong and lasting influence that the WW2 and Depression era generation had on him.

The Influence of this generation was everywhere in his life growing up and why being part of Rotary and the good works it did was important to him.

All the community halls we played in

All the sports clubs either built or funded by them

And via all this strong principles where pushed into us as kids

- You had to be involved.
- Look after those that couldn't look after themselves
  - Gov't works for the people not the other way round.
- If you want something in the community, get the community to do it.

He recounted that it was great being young on the beaches of Northern Sydney when he grew up.

It was then and is now a Beach culture.

Much of his life revolved around Dee Why Surf Life Saving Club



At about 12 - I started as a proper lifesaver, back in the days of waxed lines with belts and wooden reels. 5 Man R&R drills (rescue and resuscitation) until your could do them in your sleep.

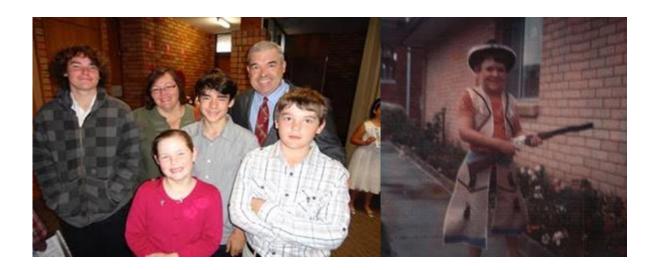
Making people swim between the flags, doing semaphore with flags, surf ski and long Malibu rescue boards but most of all surf boat rowing and he recounted those days that the very biggest of waves came in.

The strong connection by Glenn with Manly RLFC was further explained by he and his brother (Braddo) being paper boys with their route including Brookvale Oval, Ken Arthurson's Office and the Club and every morning leaving the left over papers at the Leagues club and getting in return, soft drinks from the bar before 7am.

Youthful hijinks related to blue light discos and wagging school to ride the ferry on big swell days all raised a laugh.

Glenn also discussed what he saw as the defining event of is early adulthood, the suicide death of his older brother in 1990 at the age of 28. This tragedy was devastating on everyone. Glenn Indicated he was really pleased that since these times the community through groups like Rotary has improved the focus on mental health issues.

Time precluded an in-depth recount of his overseas trips and explanations of a couple of the more intriguing photos in the sideshow. His quick career summation included a BA and later a Master of Commerce Degree from UNSW and a 30 year work history with stints with Westpac, Avon, and Tamworth Air Academy when owned by Newscorp, Moraitis Group /Oakville Produce where he had been the Group HR Manager for 19 years.





# Congratulations and Thank you.

#### Marina

The schools, teachers and exhibitors are still singing your praise. Marina and your committee will go down in history for producing the best Careers Expo there has been.

### Christine Shewry and Paul Stevenson

Congratulations to Christine and Paul and Joblink Plus on their generous donation to Youth Insearch

#### Dimity Betts

Thank for organising for members to attend the Mental Health First Aid. We can now care for ourselves and each other.

#### **STRENGTH**

Doesn't come from

WHAT YOU CAN DO

It comes from

**OVERCOMING the things** 

You once thought

YOU COULDN'T

There are seven days in a week and someday isn't one of them.











# A Musical Theatre Gala Concert fundraising for Mental Health Research

The stars of Les Miserables Australia come to Tamworth to present *Epiphanies* – a celebration of our struggles and hopes through some of the great melodies of musical theatre!

Presented by local singer turned professional music theatre actor Rob McDougall (Bishop of Digne/Cover Javert, Les Miserables; Mephisto, Faust), Epiphanies will present some of the greatest pieces of music from the great shows of the 20th and 21st centuries, backed by a stunning 18 piece orchestra.

Kerrie Anne Greenland (Helpmann Awarded Eponine, Les Miserables; Violet, Sideshow) and Daniel Belle (The Ten Tenors; Cover Valjean, Les Miserables) perform a dazzling array of pieces from the most beloved musicals, including Phantom of the Opera, Carousel, Wicked, The Secret Garden, Sweeney Todd, Sunset Boulevard and The Sound of Music.

Special guest artists - Brooke Gillet, Gabriella McDonald, Peter Ross and Anne Walsh.

2 hours 40 mins | Includes Interval



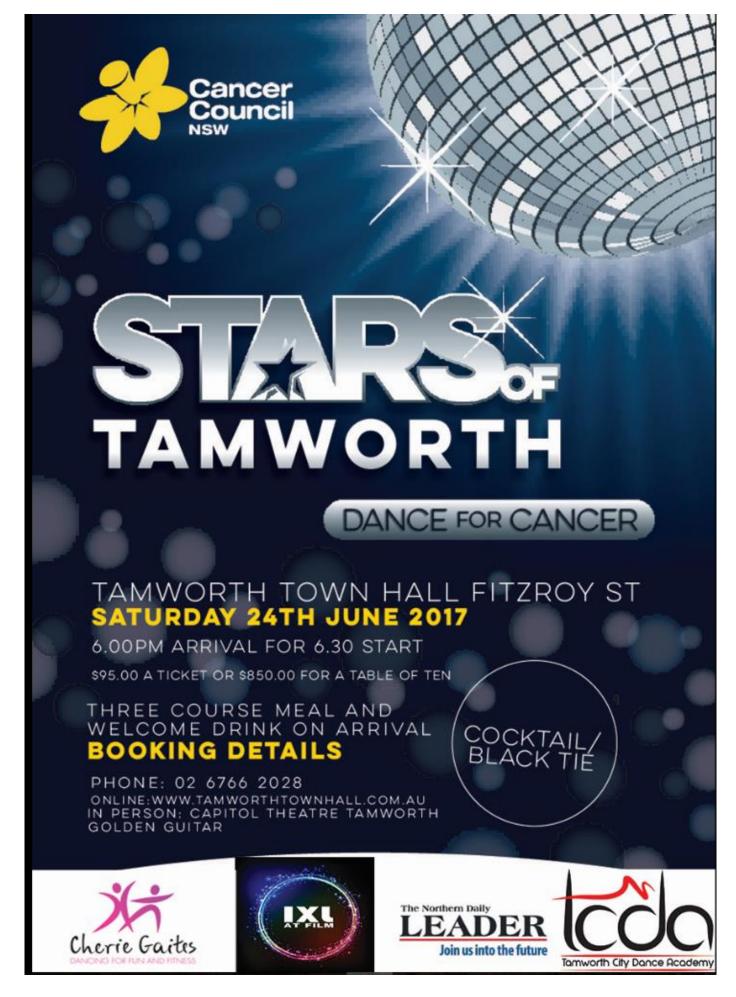
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| Meeting Roster   | Wednesday 7th June                       | Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> June | Saturday<br>17 <sup>th</sup> June |
|------------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Venue            | West Diggers 6.30am                      | No meeting                      | West Diggers                      |
| Topic            | Kevin Anderson MP<br>Macquarie St Update |                                 | Change over                       |
| Door Team        | Dean Clutterbuck<br>Glenn McIntosh       |                                 | Val Hellmann<br>Jane Bradford     |
| Meeter & Greeter | John Fogarty                             |                                 | Tom Hellmann                      |
| Welcome          | Louise Matthews                          |                                 |                                   |
| President Assist | Peter Pulley                             |                                 |                                   |
| Visitor Assist   | Michelle Shanahan                        |                                 |                                   |
| Corporal Assist  | Joe Townsend                             |                                 |                                   |
| Bulletin Notes   | Peter Bell                               |                                 |                                   |
| Introduction     | Peter Bell                               |                                 |                                   |
| Vote of Thanks   | Jim Raymond                              |                                 |                                   |

| 9 June                          | 16 June                       | 23 June                         | 30 June                          |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Barry Biffin<br>Graham Dooley   | Rob Clifton<br>Richard Walker | Jane Bradford<br>Laurence Heame | Laurence Herne<br>Phil Heffernan |
| 7 July                          | 14 July                       | 21 July                         | 28 July                          |
| Phil Heffeman                   | Bruce Hemmett                 | Lesley Hood                     | Val Hellmann                     |
| Bruce Hemmett                   | Lesley Hood                   | Val Hellmann                    | Peter Hyde                       |
| Corporals for June              |                               | Corporals for July              |                                  |
| Graham Dooley & Stephen Hawkins |                               | Phil Heffeman & Glenn McIntosh  |                                  |

# Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions

| Members Birthdays    | Tom Hellmann (13/06)  |
|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Partners Birthdays   | Leonie Bell (11/06)   |
| Anniversaries        | nil                   |
| <b>Gub Induction</b> | David Hinwood (11/06) |
|                      |                       |
| Attendance           | 70%                   |
| Make-Ups             | nil                   |
| Visiting Rotarians   | Sam Peacocke (Dubbo)  |
| Visitors             | Andrew Maughan        |



| Heads & Tails | Skinner        |
|---------------|----------------|
| Raffle        | Terry Robinson |

#### 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.

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:

Tuesday Wednesday **Friday** 

Monday 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

