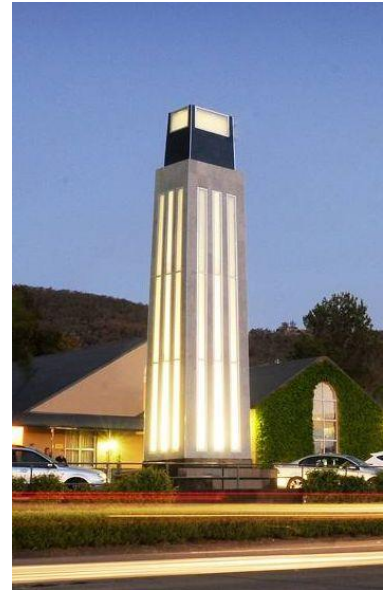






Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

2017 2018


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AUGUST IS



**MEMBERSHIP
& EXTENSIONS
MONTH**

Rotary 

**EACH ROTARIAN:
REACH ONE, KEEP ONE**

Diary Notes and Dates

Post Office Hotel Social Friday 18 August 2017

Gloucester Tri Challenge 10 September 2017. Ride, Paddle and Run.

www.gloucestertri.com.au

Rob Sharp is planning a trip to New Guinea in August. You are welcome to join him. The donated x-ray machine has been shipped and he will be working on refurbishing the X-ray department.

District Governor's visit – 23 August 2017

Phil sent us some words of wisdom

10 FUN FACTS

1. You can't wash your eyes with soap.
2. You can't count your hair.
3. You can't breathe through your nose, with your tongue out.
4. You just tried No3.
6. When you did No3 you realised that it's possible, only you look like a dog.
7. You're smiling right now, because you were fooled.
8. You skipped No5.
9. You just checked to see if there is a No5.
10. Share this with your friends to have some fun too.

John Fogarty



shared in 60 seconds the story of his family in their development of a property near Nundle. These wonderful folk showed great generosity and hospitality to passers by and were often rewarded by gifts of gold watches and chains. John was able to show us some of his family treasures

Bruce Hemmett reminded us of the value of friendships in Rotary and the enjoyment of visits of members from other clubs. (Old friends are like gold. New friends are like silver.)

Wednesday 9 August 2017

Meeting # 13629

Quote; You cannot solve a problem with the same mind that created it – Albert Einstein

This morning we heard from James Ardill, the pastor from the local Trinity church James spoke about two great projects he is involved in being “Foodcare” a type of foodbank for low income persons in our town.

As well as Habitat for Humanity, a form of low income housing.

Both projects attempt to address a real need in our community to give people and families a hand up, not a hand out.

This form of assistance gives people a new start in life, a purpose and hope.

Many people in our community just need a little help maybe just for a short time and they will rebuild.

James has asked the club for some assistance, even if that is just “man” hours, this will be discussed at board level going forward.

Well done to those members who attended the International President’s dinner in Port Macquarie last Monday night, I believe it was a good night

A further note on International matters, many of you may have noticed that the International President Elect, Mr Sam Owori from Uganda passed away last month.

Mr Owori was buried with State honours in his home country on July 25.

Our condolences to his family and Rotary friends.

Our candidate to the NYSF, Julia Lim has been selected to represent District 9650 after last week’s selection process in Walcha.

The forum is to be held 15-27 January 2018

Julia is a fine representative and should do our club proud.

Julian Smith reported that Hunter New England Health has guaranteed assistance to maintain the Rotary Lodge facilities at Tamworth hospital

We believe the Sunrise club is maned and ready to go with this project, so we will be in touch with them this week to work out logistics.

We may finally be getting somewhere!!

Don’t forget there is a Board meeting next Tuesday 8th August at 234 Marius st !!

Subs are now **overdue**, if you haven’t paid please do so this week to avoid embarrassment from our sergeant next week!!

See you next week Michael

Our guest speaker this week was Pastor James Ardill from the Liberty Church in Tamworth. James spoke to us about his 10 year dream of starting a community foodshop.

It began to become to become reality when in October 2016 a lady in the church, came with an idea that she could gather high quality used baby items and provide young parents with them – Tamworth Mums was created.

At the same time, his dream was realized when an open door was presented and an outlet was opened in Robert Street. It was combining these two community initiatives that has enabled Liberty to reach into the most needy sections of Tamworth, and provide hope and dignity to people who may have lost it or are just labouring under the burden of life.

Many people are genuine and honest and want to make it under their own steam. “We are here to give a leg up and not a hand out.”

The outlet has been opened for 6 weeks and in that time there are 650 people registered with over 700 children involved. The outlet has 100-150 individual transactions per week with an average spend of nearly \$30 – double the expectation. \$30 will give the people \$100 retail value of food from a major supermarket. Food is sold in individual hampers and not as individual items. Perishable food items are in short supply – dairy, fruit & veg, meat – at good prices. Outlet is open on Thursdays 10am to 3pm.

More space is now needed for the food shop which means the Tamworth Mums need a new storage area.

“We would be happy to talk to anyone about our community initiative. Everyone needs hope, destiny and purpose in life.”

James also gave a brief outline of his **Habitat for Humanity** project

- A charity started by Americans of faith operating in many countries around the world
- Provides housing for people in housing stress – high rent, unsuitable accommodation for family needs e.g. 8 people in a 2 bedroom house
- Provides no interest loans so that people can own their own homes
- The homes are built from donations of money and of goods and services, and from the recycling of mortgage repayments as people satisfy their home borrowings
- In Tamworth, we are currently building our 2nd and 3rd home in the southern end of Coledale
- AUSTAM is constructing these homes with our partners providing 500 hours of sweat equity in finishing off their homes – painting, landscaping, tiling etc.
- The home is “sold” at a fair market value - \$200 to 250K depending on land price and cost of construction.
- Any profit made is reinvested into the next home to be built
- We have received in principle approval to purchase 4 more blocks of land in Coledale, and we have at least one potential partner

Would Rotary be interested in helping with providing materials and labour to lower costs in construction of these homes?



18 th Million **Dollar** Dinner

to be held on Saturday 18th November 2017 at 6pm

Rydes Hotel – 1 Hay Street, Port Macquarie 2444

Bookings : l.c.moore@icloud.com (9650) or phone 0414 456 321

This is a fundraiser event to recognise those who have donated in excess of \$10000
to THE ROTART FOUNDATION



Phil Penman is hosting a Bonfire and Pizza night to socialize and welcome Kaisa to our Club. He needs RSVP by 16/08/2017

Where: **DELMAR** When: **19August 2017 5pm**

Bring a chair, drinks and a jumper or rug.

**Bring a friend and join
Billabong Clubhouse for
Cocktails and Conversation**

August 16 at 6pm

6 Darling Street Tamworth.

Hosted under the stars on the Billabong deck.

Beverages and appetisers provided

BYO alcohol

RSVP by 4pm August 14 to Michael 6766 9960

The Rotary Club of Pakuranga invite you to join The Ultimate 17 Day Rotary Tour of New Zealand 6th – 22nd April, 2018.



The Tour Key points and Highlights are:

- **The Tour includes 4 Rotary fellowship events.**
- **The Tour size is limited to 26 persons.** (Within a 30/33 seater coach.)
- **Accommodation will be 4 to 5 star and includes all breakfasts.**
- **A professional ‘Top Tour Guide’ will travel throughout the Tour.**
- **An optional 4 day pre-tour to Northland/Bay of Islands is also offered.**

Here are some of the 62 tours/visits, of which all but one is included within the Tour price:

Kelly Tarlton's Sea Life Aquarium, Auckland Sky Tower, 2 hour tour of ‘Hobbiton’, Te Puia (Rotorua centre of Maori culture and geothermal wonders), Huka Falls, Napier wine tasting, Wellington’s Te Papa Museum, Weta Workshops, Ferry to Picton, Hanmer Springs, Lake Tekapo, Lake Pukaki, Arrowtown, Queenstown, Milford or Doubtful Sounds, Dunedin and Christchurch City Tours.

Below are two of the typical comments we received from all our 2017 Rotarian tourists:

- **We thought the tour was fantastic. Sharron (the Tour Guide) was brilliant.**
- **We thoroughly enjoyed every minute of the tour and you are to be congratulated.**

The 17 day Tour Price is: NZ\$6,495pp share twin. NZ\$8,390pp single.

The 4 day pre-tour Price is: NZ\$1,495pp share twin. NZ\$1,890pp single. To receive the full 9 page itinerary email both peter.hawkins@xtra.co.nz and john.mcmillan@xtra.co.nz

CONVERSATION CONVOY.
6 September 2017 carpark meeting 4pm to 5.30pm
West Tamworth Leagues Club
“OUT OF THE BLUE” concert \$10 tickets
West Tamworth Leagues Club
Presented by R U OK
More informatio – hello@ruok.org.au

<p>NAZARETH HOUSE GOLF DAY LONGYARD GOLF COURSE FRIDAY 18 AUGUST</p>
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Meeting Roster	Wednesday 9 August	Wednesday 16 August	Wednesday 23 August
Venue	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am
Topic	Nick Broadbent Adventures in South America	Paul Bennett GM TRC Regional Growth	DG visit
Door Team	Richard Hardwick Tom Hellmann	Phil Lyons Maureen Thornton	Peter Hyde Graham Dooley
Meeter & Greeter	David Hinwood	Helen Tickle	Laurence Hearne
Welcome	Ian Howle	Dean Clutterbuck	Simone Church
President Assist	Les Jacob	Jane Bradfordb	John Fogarty
Visitor Assist	Dennis Johnson	Ron Allen	Elizabeth Gill
Corporal Assist	Steve Massey	Max Cathcart	Phil Penman
Bulletin Notes	Brian Thompson	Dimity Betts	Dennis Maunder
Introduction	Brian Thompson	Dimity Betts	Dennis Maunder
Vote of Thanks	Andrew Maughan	Brodie Shiel	Michelle Shanahan
60 seconds	Brian Logan		
PO Raffle	11 August	18 August	25 August
	Simone Church Brian Logan	Brian Logan Louise Matthews	Louise Matthews Sue O'Connor
1 September	8 September	15 September	22 September
Sue O'Connor James Treloar	James Treloar Richard Walker	Richard Walker Jim Raymond	Jim Raymond Terry Robinson
Corporals for August		Corporals for September	
Chris Watson & Barry Biffin		Steve Hawkins & Peter Bell	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	Dennis Maunder 12/8		
Partners Birthdays	Trudy White 12/8		
Anniversaries	nil		
Club Induction	Diane Ford 11/8 7 years; James Treloar 17/8 6 years		
Attendance	67%		
Make-Ups	nil		
Visiting Rotarians	nil		
Visitors	Kaisa Kosunen; Rebecca Roberts; Pastor James Ardill, Suzie Stevenson,		
Heads & Tails			
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
 Kable Avenue
 TAMWORTH NSW 2340
 Phone: 02 6766 4661

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