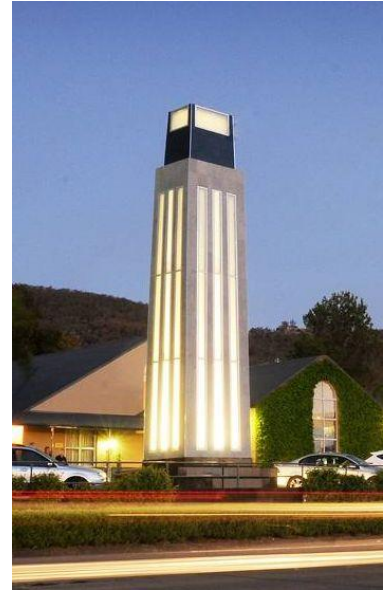




# *Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light*

**2017 2018**

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| <b>District Governor:</b> | Bob Ryan         | 0409 457 705 |
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Honouring the ANZACS at Beersheba

## Diary Notes and Dates

September 23 Dungowan Camp Draft (see Ron Allen)

October 20 Post Office Hotel social

14 St John's Fete

15 Clay Pigeon Shooting 10.30 to 12.30

29 Graffiti Removal Day

November 18 Million Dollar Dinner

25 Hummingbird Ball (see DJ)

25-26 Pre PETS (District Muster)

December 6 Annual General Meeting

15 Santa Crawl

Feb 27/March 3 RYAG Sheep at Walcha

June 16 Change over Dinner

23-27 Convention in Toronto

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Quote from Miracle in the Mine by Jose Henriquez:

(One man's story of strength and survival in the Chilean mines.

33 men trapped underground for 69 days)

"The love of people can move mountains and move men to do unprecedented things."

"The Lord has not called us to be cowards, but rather to face these situations as giants and tear down walls in his name."

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If we shouldn't eat at night, why is there a light in the fridge?

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"We must know that we have been created for greater things, not just to be a number in the world, not just to go for diplomas and degrees, this work and that work. We have been created in order to love and to be loved."

Mother Teresa.

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My bed is a magical place where I suddenly remember everything I forgot to do.

Wednesday 27 September 2017

Meeting 1377

**Quote: “Before you judge a man, walk a mile in his shoes; after that who cares? He’s a mile away and you have his shoes”**

Thanks to **Ruythe Dufty** for her talk on Literacy and Numeracy in our schools. Education is one of those things where you will never please everyone I guess. Too many tests for poor Johnny, not enough for Susie, not enough discipline for some, too many rules for others.

**Facts are we have a bloody good education system. If you are happy to put in the effort and work hard, you can achieve just about anything.** Being a **teacher** these days would be very difficult and they **should be admired** for their patience if nothing else.

Thanks also to Tom Hellmann for his little Rotary history lesson, stuff we should all know I guess!!

Looking forward to inducting a couple of new members soon in Mitch and Peter  
Jim says the goats have been caught.

I’m off to Sydney for a bucks night, It’s been a while so hoping I can keep up with the young bucks! See you all next week. Kind Regards Michael Smith



Ruythe Dufty, Director, Public Schools New South Wales Tamworth Network.

Ruythe is responsible for schools in the Tamworth Regional Council area plus Narrabri, Wee Waa, Boggabri and Maules Creek.

Ruythe is a foundation member and Past President of the Rotary Club of Tamworth Sunrise; Past Director of JobLink Plus and is currently an active member of Tamworth Legacy.

Ruythe gave an insight into several aspects of school education including the following:

- The focus on Literacy and Numeracy in media, in testing in comparing results
- The true intent of NAPLAN and some information schools have access to
- New South Wales Standards Authority's role in setting the Curriculum in NSW
- The NSW Literacy and Numeracy Strategy 2017-2022
- The announcement of testing for Year 1 students
- Year 9 NAPLAN standards

Tests like NAPLAN allow schools to measure how their students are performing and where there might be room for improvement. NAPLAN was never intended to compare student to student or school to school.

Overall it is widely acknowledged that there is room for improvement in the areas of literacy and numeracy skills. The NSW Government has a focus on this and is injecting \$34 million into programs to improve literacy and numeracy skills.

Ruythe also mentioned that schools welcomed students from Universities. The University of New England is one of the largest trainers of teachers and has a strong practical component.

Ruythe finished her presentation with an activity for members, which was part of the Year 9



numeracy test.

Ruythe was introduced by Helen Tickle, who wrote this report. Peter Bell thanked our guest,

| Venue  | West Diggers 6.30 for 7am<br>Wednesday 27 September                | West Diggers 6.30 for 7am<br>Wednesday 4 October         | West Diggers 6.30 for 7am<br>Wednesday 11 October |
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| Topic  | Phil Betts<br>Tam Astronomy Club                                   | Ashleigh Hickman Rotary Dist<br>9650 Chair of Interplast | Kate Arndell Hunter<br>NewEnglandHealth           |
| Door Team                                      | Val Hellmann<br>Laurence Hearne                                    | Barry Biffin<br>Bruce Hemmett                            | David Hinwood<br>Max Cathcart                     |
| Meeter & Greeter                               | Terry Robinson   | James Treloar  | Maureen Thornton                                  |
| Welcome  | Rob Clifton  | Julian Smith   | Les Jacob   |
| President Assist                               | Graham Dooley  | Dimity Betts   | Andrew Maughan                                    |
| Visitor Assist                                 | Lesley Hood  | John Treloar   | Brian Thompson                                    |
| Corporal Assist                                | Dennis Maunder   | Ron Allen  | Louise Matthews                                   |
| Bulletin Notes                                 | Jim Raymond  | Ian Howle  | Anne Jacob  |
| Introduction                                   | Jim Raymond  | Ian Howle  | Anne Jacob  |
| Vote of Thanks                                 | Brian Logan  | Paul Stevenson   | Peter Pulley                                      |
| 60 seconds                                     | D Jones  | Max Cathcart   |   |
| PO Raffle                                      | 29 September   | 6 October  | 13 October  |
|  | Terry Robinson   | Dwone Jones<br>Chris Watson                              | Chris Watson<br>Peter Bell                        |
| 20 October                                     | 27 October   | 3 November   | 10 November                                       |
| Steve Hawkins<br>Peter Bell                    | Steve Hawkins<br>Phil Penman                                       | Phil Penman<br>Steve Massey                              | Steve Massey<br>Brodie Shields                    |
| Corporals for September                        |  | Corporals for October                                    |   |
| Steve Hawkins & Peter Bell                     |  | Bret White & Simone Church                               |   |
| <b>Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions</b> |  |  |   |
| Members Birthdays                              | Richard Walker 2/10  |  |   |
| Partners Birthdays                             | Pam Shields 29/9   |  |   |
| Anniversaries                                  | James and Lisa Treloar 27/9 (9 years)                              |  |   |
| Club Induction                                 | Julian Smith 3/10 (16 years)                                       |  |   |
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| Attendance                                     | (For 13/9 Graham Nuttall, Peter Leonard, Mitch Soree) 78% for 20/9 |  |   |
| Make-Ups                                       |  |  |   |
| Visiting Rotarians                             | Ruythe Dufty   |  |   |
| Visitors                                       | Kaisa Kosunen; Mitch Soree   |  |   |
| Heads & Tails                                  | Laurence Hearne  |  |   |
| Raffle   | D Jones  |  |   |

## 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:

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