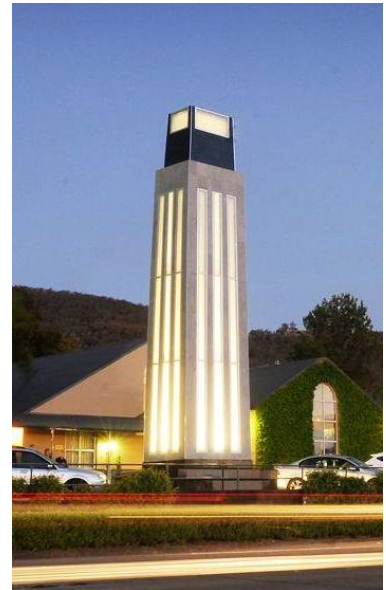




Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

2017 2018

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Secretary:	Michael O'Connor	0437 593 479
Treasurer:	Deb Barnes	0411 770 552



We are all looking forward to welcoming Baby Betts to First Light.

Diary Notes and Dates

October	11 Remember your hat “Lift the Lid on Mental Illness.”
	14 St John’s Fete
	15 Clay Pigeon Shooting 10.30 to 12.30
	20 Post Office Hotel social
	29 Graffiti Removal Day
November	8 First Promotion for Polio Movie Fund Raiser
	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
March	17-24 RYLA at Yarrahapinni
June	16 Change over Dinner 23-27 Convention in Toronto

Present and past Members of our Rotary Club will be saddened to hear of the passing of our esteemed Charter member **Terry Burgess**. Terry can be described as the “most genuine human person”. Terry was involved in every facet of our club’s activities. His first club task was to do a report on the convention in Armidale in 1990. He took no notes at the convention but next week gave a most comprehensive detailed report which was amazing. Terry’s attention to detail was superb. He became the club’s Historian and only recently handed that job to Brodie Shields.

For many years Terry was the treasurer of the golf committee. In the early years he went on the trips but later in his own special quiet unassuming manner he paid the accounts and within 1 day after a trip he presented a financial report.

Terry was honoured with a Paul Harris Fellowship and a Sapphire Pin. He was a Life Member of our Rotary Club, which joined his Life membership of Apex. He was also very involved with the Boy Scouts even though his own boys had grown up and left home. His involvement and commitment in all things was 100%.

Terry had a great sense of humour and loved a good joke, he could always rattle one off if need be.

Terry will be sadly missed by all who knew him. Our club extends sincere sympathy to his wife Patty and his sons Ian and David.

We understand that Terry’s funeral will be a private family affair. President Michael Smith

Wednesday 11 October 2017

Meeting 1379

Quote of the week; **The fact that jellyfish have survived 650 million years without a brain must give hope to some people!**

Great to see a full house almost at this week's meeting, good to see a few faces back like Sue O'Connor and those who have been away on travels .**Welcome back.**

We had another interesting speaker in the house this week. **Ashleigh Hickman** is from the beautiful Gloucester area where she is a member of that Rotary Club, and spoke to us about **Rotary Interplast**. Ashleigh is a regular face at Rotary conventions and assemblies and a tireless Rotarian. Interplast has been helping under privileged people for many years now thanks to all Rotarians and their generosity.

If you don't think that **Rotary makes a difference** then you just need to look at projects like this one. It gives children a future where they would not have had one at all.

Your Club has assisted Interplast in the past and I am hopeful the Club can do the same when dispersing funds later this year.

A rare occurrence is happening in your Club! **One of our members is having a baby.** We wish Dimity and Robert all the best for the delivery and the future with their newborn. We will allow Dimity a short hiatus and hope she is back on Board(literally) asap Thanks for your work this year so far Dimity. She is being temporarily replaced on the board by Andrew Maughan, who has really thrown himself into Rotary and is a great new asset to our Club.

Don't forget about the upcoming events in your club. Guess who's coming to dinner, shoot off at the gun club and other events. Put your name down and get involved. If you can't make it to meetings maybe you can come along to these social events!?

Don't forget the Board meeting on next Tuesday at my office at 5.00pm for those involved. If you have any matters to raise please see one of your Board asap.

See you next week!!

Kind Regards Michael Smith

A man heard sounds of great activity in the neighbourhood and walked into his back garden to find out what was causing the noise. It was coming from the garden next door. Curious, he peered over the fence and saw a very large hole was being dug.

He watched for a while and then asked: "What are you doing?"

The neighbour paused in his digging and said:"I am burying my cat."

"What a shame. Tiddles was a lovely cat. Why the big hole?"

"Because," the neighbour solemnly explained, "he is inside your great Alsatian."

Our guest speaker was Ashleigh Hickman who was introduced by Ian Howle, who also wrote this report.

Ashleigh is a Past President x2 of the Rotary Club of Gloucester; the first female member of this club;



She was introduced to the club by the late PDG Richard Bowen-Thomas and she is the Chair of District 9650 Interplast.

Interplast is a combination of Rotary and the Royal Australian College of Surgeons, with the support of allied health professionals.

It is about changing futures through medical care and training.

Interplast currently works in 17 countries in the Asian Pacific area. The program has been running since 1983 and in 2016 after 33 years of service 40506 patients consultations and 23340 surgeries during 750 programs across 25 countries.

REPORT from the SICKBAY

Pam Shields is making good progress at home.

Phil Lyons has a back injury and is very limited with mobility.

A five-year-old watching a television show asked his father what an allowance was. Dad explained and then asked his son what he thought he did to earn a weekly allowance. "Well, for one thing," replied the lad, "I keep your wife occupied all day."

We have arranged the “First Light Rotary Hot Shot Championships” to be held on Sunday 15OCT17 at the Loomberah Range (Tamworth Clay Target Club). We will commence at 10.30am and complete competition by around 12.30pm followed by a BBQ lunch. Plan for the day is as follows:

- Assemble at 10.30am at Gun Club (map will be provided) to complete paper work and safety brief. (Peter Holmes, Tamworth President will conduct).
- Form into squads of 5 and commence competition.
- The competition will be over 25 targets (one shot per target) with two visits to the traps (one visit of 10 targets and one of 15). Targets will be nice and easy. The Gun Club will supply the guns. Members may bring their own guns if you are licenced to own one. (Check with me if you have any queries regarding this matter)
- At the conclusion of shooting scores will be tallied, winners announced and presentations made
- BBQ and a soft drink will be included in price. You may bring your own drinks but no alcohol can be consumed until after competition has completed
- Help then required to clean up the range, pick up spent cartridges, lock away equipment etc.

The cost of the morning will be \$45.00 per participant. This covers use of the range facilities, 25 targets, 25 cartridges and BBQ and one soft drink. \$40.00 goes to the Gun Club and \$5.00 to our Club to cover catering etc.

To participate you need to be adult size due to the size of the gun we will be using (12 gauge shotgun). If held correctly it is very comfortable to use. Dress code is neat casual with **enclosed foot ware, no thongs or open footwear**, joggers good. Bring along a cap, sunglasses and sun screen. Family members and friends are also welcome.

The events are as follows;

- Best score overall-“The Rotary Hot Shot Champion” Perpetual Gold Cup
- Best score boy
- Best score girl
- Best squad combined score
- Will be a few novelty targets to also have a go at.
- Best ‘dummy spit’ if there is one!

Gun Club members will be available on the day to assist and coach and look after the safety aspects of the morning.

It should be a fun morning and something out of the ordinary (like golf). I hope you can attend. An attendance sheet will be passed around tomorrow morning.

Some late notice but West Rotary are doing a tree planting in Chauvel Park South Tamworth, tomorrow morning, Saturday at 8.00 am It is being conducted as a combined Rotary club event but they have co-ordinated it mostly (think we got gazumped there) You just need to take a shovel We would just be planting trees, and back filling holes, council are digging the holes, hopefully in the right places !!
Would only take a couple of hours I imagine if the holes are pre dug.
They are also looking for volunteers to do watering duty over the next 6 weeks while the trees get established. If interested please just turn up, no need to contact me.
Would be good to get a few people down there Again sorry its late notice but was only brought up at last nights combined presidents meeting.

Two policemen call the station on the radio.

“Hello. Is this the Sarge?”

“Yes.”

“We have a case here. A woman has shot her husband dead for stepping on the floor that she had mopped.”

“Have you arrested the woman?”

“No Sir. The floor is still wet.”

FUNNY THING

ADVICE

MOST PEOPLE ONLY ASK FOR IT
WHEN THEY DON'T WANT TO ACCEPT
THE TRUTH THEY ALREADY KNOW



Venue	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am Wednesday 11 October	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am Wednesday 18 October	West Diggers 6.30 for 7am Wednesday 25 October
Topic	Kate Arndell HNE Health Mental Health	David Jenkins GM TEYS Australia	
Door Team	David Hinwood Max Cathcart	Peter Leonard John Worldon	Helen Tickle Chris Watson
Meeter & Greeter	Maureen Thornton	Dwone Jones	Simone Church
Welcome	Les Jacob	Dennis Johnson	Graham Dooley
President Assist	Andrew Maughan	Brett White	Lesley Hood
Visitor Assist	Brian Thompson	Jim Raymond	Dennis Maunder
Corporal Assist	Louise Matthews	Richard Walker	Laurence Hearne
Bulletin Notes	Anne Jacob	Brian Logan	Jane Bradford
Introduction	Anne Jacob	Brian Logan	Jane Bradford
Vote of Thanks	Peter Pulley	Mitch Soree	Peter Bell
60 seconds	Max Cathcart		Dennis Maunder
PO Raffle	6 October	13 October	20 October
	Dwone Jones Chris Watson	Chris Watson Peter Bell	Peter Bell Steve Hawkins
27 October	3 November	10 November	17 November
Steve Hawkins Phil Penman	Phil Penman Steve Massey	Steve Massey Brodie Shields	Brodie Shields Simone Church
Corporals for October		Corporals for November	
Bret White & Simone Church		Terry Robinson & Peter Ryan	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	Phil Lyon 14/10; Brett White 14/10		
Partners Birthdays	Pauline Davison 15/10		
Anniversaries	Lesley & Philip Hood 13/10		
Club Induction	Liz Gill 17/10; Andrew Beer 14/10; Christine Shewry 14/10; Chris Watson 14/10		
Attendance	82%		
Make-Ups	nil		
Visiting Rotarians	Ashleigh Hickman		
Visitors	Kaisa Kosunen;		
Heads & Tails			
Raffle			

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
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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