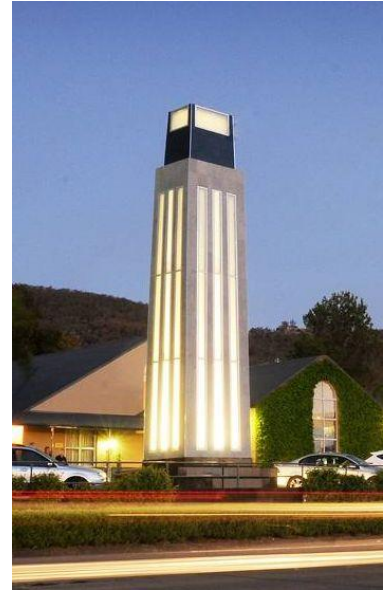




# Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

**2017 2018**

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## Meeting 1397

Wednesday 21 March 2018

### WHAT'S ON

<b>March</b>	17-24 RYLA at Yarrahapinni
	20-23 Science and Engineering 21 Rotary at TRECC
	28 Visit of Queen & Princess
	28 Christine Shewry- CEO JoblinkPlus -Regional Unemployment, Employment Development and Trends
<b>APRIL</b>	6-22 NZ tour
	8 Sunday Pedal the Peel
<b>MAY</b>	26 District Assembly at Gunnedah
<b>JUNE</b>	16 Change over Dinner

### Personal Profile- Peter Leonard

Once again we have had the pleasure of another great talk from one of our members, with Peter Leonard presenting his personal profile to the club.

Peter begun life in Coonabarabran, before moving to Moree, and Baradine, before settling in Tamworth in 1971. His school years gave way to his career in the insurance industry, starting with Mercantile Mutual in 1979.

Peter lives in Tamworth with his wife Debbie, Daughter Samantha, and Son Alex. Peter shared some entertaining stories of his holidays, with mishaps involving canoes, fire alarms and his solo trip to the America. Other trips include Tasmania, NZ, Fiji and the Whitsundays (I sense an Island theme here?!). Peter continues to work in the insurance industry, currently at Austbrokers RWA on Peel st, continuing in his career spanning 39 years in the insurance industry.



Thank you for sharing your story Peter!

Peter was introduced by Mitch Soree who also wrote this report.

## **Rostered Duties and Definitions**

**PRESIDENT ASSIST** To ensure members who are rostered for the duties of, Meeter and Greeter, Door, Visitor Assist, Welcome to our Members and Guests, Introduction of the Guest Speaker(s) and Vote of Thanks are present and if they are not to find a replacement and ensure those people's names are updated on the President's Running Sheet. Select the Table Order (after the head table). Need to be in attendance by 6.30 am

**DOOR TEAM** To record the attendance of our members and guests, collect meeting dues, and if possible balance the cash float i.e. monies paid = money received. Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am

**MEETER & GREETER** To meet and greet our members & welcome guests to our Club and to hand name badges to members. Also ensure any guests of members or visiting Rotarians are introduced to the Visitor Assist to ensure they are made welcome. Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am

**VISITOR ASSIST** To ensure any visitors to the Club are felt welcome by introducing yourself to them and other members and guests of our Club. Try to ensure they are introduced to the President prior to sitting as well. To also include them in fellowship before and if necessary make sure they are included with several members for breakfast and are never left on their own. Need to be in attendance from 6.30 am

**WELCOME** To publicly welcome our Members and Guests (following the introduction) to our meeting when called upon by the President or their substitute. Need to be in attendance by 6.50 am (or earlier)

**INTRODUCTION** To make yourself known to our Guest Speaker/s, assist them to the head table and sit with them. During breakfast find out some information about the guest speaker which will assist you in your introduction.

**NOTE TAKER** It is your job to make notes on the meeting to assist the Bulletin editor. Guest speakers usually have written notes of their talk, so try to get them before they disappear.

**VOTE OF THANKS** To move a vote of thanks to our guest speaker, and present a little thank you gift which can be found in our cabinet left of the stage. Ensure you have it before the meeting commences and take notes during their presentation to ensure your thank you is informed.

**CORPORALS** To assist the Sergeant by setting up the room, collecting fine money, and putting our property away at the conclusion of the meeting. Need to be in attendance by 6:30 am.

**CORPORAL ASSIST** To assist the Sergeant, by putting away all Club Property at the conclusion of the meeting if the Corporals are unable to do so.

If you don't like where you are, move, you are not a tree.

Did you hear about the skeleton they found at the university?  
It belonged to the 1938 Hide-and Seek champion.

All,  
Thank you for the support last Wednesday regarding our Club re-engaging with the Rugby Club this season. A lot of hands went up and I have received individual offers of support. However, before we firmly commit could I ask members to contact me individually with your commitment and RSA details.

For those members who would like to obtain an RSA the current cost through the Tamworth Community College is \$185.00. For members wishing to renew their current RSA this can be done online for \$35.00. (renew must be completed before current RSA expires I have been informed but not confirmed).

- 1.If you are available to work on the gate (no RSA required), could you please reply, “yes gate only”.
- 2.If you have a current RSA and willing to work in the bar, could you please reply “yes, have RSA, bar only”.
- 3.If you are interested in obtaining an RSA could you reply “yes, will do course”.

Your reply in the next few days would be appreciated. (I appreciate a few members are away on the Golf trip). If you do not reply than I will take it as a ‘no’ on all counts.

The aim of this survey is to determine our exact resources. I do not want to obligate the Rotary Club, then let the Rugby Club down.

Regards Michael.



What exactly is a bucket seat? It is the ninth seat on a motor bike!



## **The event**

Pedal the peel is a cycling event in the Moore Creek area, with cyclists travelling as far as the Moonbi, Kootingal and Loomberah areas. The event has significant corporate and SME backing, which has historically, and will continue to, raise significant funds to local Tamworth charities such as CanAssist, Billabong Clubhouse, and Youth Insearch.

The event is not possible without the dedication of our volunteers to assist with marshalling the course, organizing the start/finish line operations, and performing escort vehicle duties throughout the event. Historically, the Rotary Clubs of Tamworth, First Light and Sunrise and representatives from our generous sponsors, charity beneficiaries, and the public, have offered significant support, and we hope to see this continue.

## **Details**

Volunteers required for the operational aspects of the Pedal the Peel event.

Event time, 08.04.2018, 0700hrs-approx 1400hrs.

Volunteer pre-meeting prior to the event may be required for some roles

## **Jobs to be filled (in order of qty needed):**

Track Marshalls / course directions, set up and pull-down

Start finish operations

BBQ

Moral support/general duties

Escort vehicles / drivers – requirements TBA

**Please express your interest to assist via the following link**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/3CXHTV2>

You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending.

C.S.Lewis.



It's not about what came first.  
It's about what comes next.



KAISA doing the exchange thing.

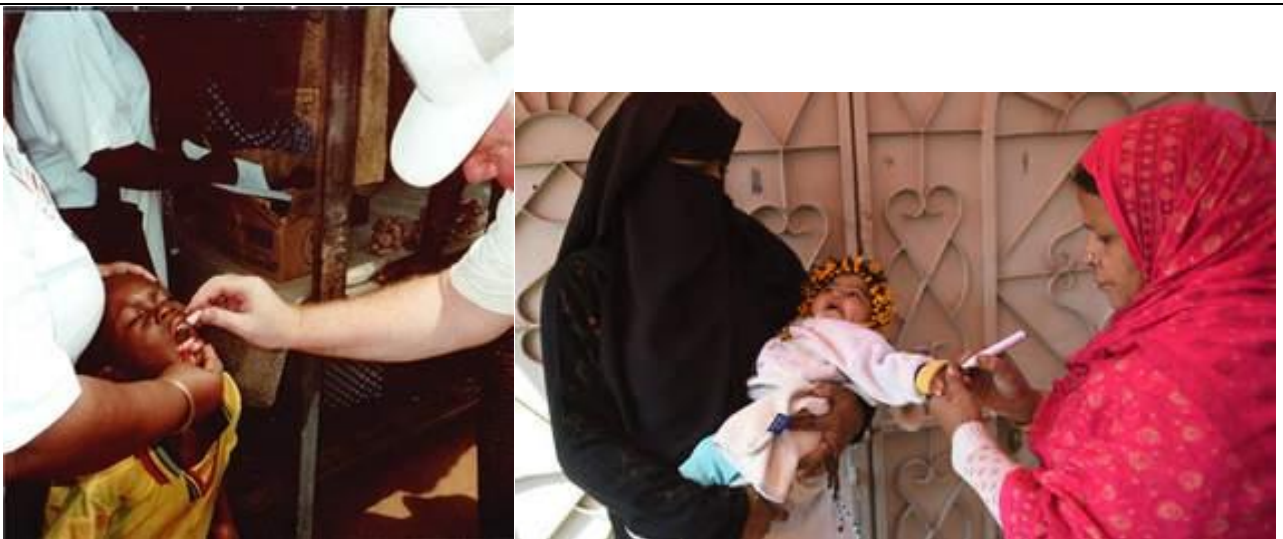
Some notes from the meeting;

1. Louise Matthews is taking our new Rotarian, Naomi, to assist with the RYLA camp. Dwone Jones will also attend as a guest speaker. Our club is sponsoring 6 of the 32 participants, 4 leaders. There are 56 clubs invited to sponsor.
2. John Treloar is advertising the Gold Coast Golf Trip
3. Mitch Soree is looking for assistance with the Pedal the Peel
4. David Hinwood is organising the willing to help with Science and Engineering Expo at the TREC
5. **BREAKFAST IS AT THE TREC ON WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH 6.30 FOR 7AM.**
6. Bruce Hemmitt, Elizabeth Gill and Jane Bradford attended the conference in Armidale.
7. Our President praised Jane for her great effort as Master of Ceremony of the conference.
8. Elizabeth Gill has information about Rotary Friendship Exchange between Australia and South Africa, India and Sweden. Check the webpage for 9650.
9. Michael has been called to Sydney for family matters. He will be back with us on Wednesday.
10. Our club was delighted to welcome Naomi Blakey and her partner James to our meeting.
11. It was great to see Les Jacob and Max Cathcart back with us.

They've got Prison Chaplains, Sports Chaplains, School Chaplains, Industrial Chaplains and now they've even got a Chaplain for the Poultry Farmers!

Really? I wonder who it is!

Probably a Lay Preacher.



# RYLA Dinner 2018



The Rotary Clubs of Macksville and Nambucca Heads have the pleasure in inviting you to the 2018 RYLA Dinner

**Place:** Macksville Ex Services Club, Pacific Highway

**Date:** Wednesday 21st March 2018

**Time:** 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start

**Cost:** \$30 per person

**Dress Code:** Modest cocktail dress for women, jacket and tie for men.

The dinner will be towards the end of the RYLA experience and you will be treated to some wonderful entertainment by the RYLArians.

We hope you can be with us for what is always an inspirational evening.

**RSVP by Friday 16th March 2018 to:**

Corrina Nugent, RC Nambucca Heads  
secretarynhrotary@gmail.com  
0423 283 600



Rotary Youth Leadership Award  
District 9650





**Fundraising**

Participants must fundraise or donate \$2,000 to join the event. We will provide all participants with a link to set up an online fundraising page. You could also hold events such as a trivia night, golf day or movie screening, gain sponsorship from a business, or simply shake a bucket! This is a quick and easy way for friends, family and colleagues to sponsor you.

**How your fundraising helps**

Funds raised on the Postie Dash will help to provide practical equipment and experiences to kids who have a disability, chronic illness, facing financial hardship or geographical isolation. Variety's work allows children to gain mobility and freedom, to get out and about in the community, be able to communicate, enhance their education, achieve independence and increase self-esteem, and where possible the assistance to help them integrate into mainstream school and activities.

more than **200** different conditions supported through Variety grants

**\$3.9million** worth of grants across NSW/ACT last year

**27,422** kids in NSW/ACT impacted by Variety last year



Vic Shell, Regional Manager  
victor.shell@varietynsw.org.au  
Ph: 02 4965 4911 Mobile: 0410 692 262  
www.variety.org.au

**Conditions of Entry**

1. All motorcycles must be standard Honda CT110 Motorcycles. They must be roadworthy, registered & insured as prescribed by State Laws.
2. Riders must be a minimum age of 18 years of age and hold a current Motorcycle License.
3. All bikes and riders must attend the scheduled check-in day prior to the start of the event. Anyone who cannot make the check-in day must make alternate arrangements with event management.
4. Everyone taking part in the event must sign an indemnity form issued by Variety the Children's Charity (NSW) and have a current Working With Children's Check (WWCC).
5. All medical needs must be paid to Variety the Children's Charity (NSW), either personally or through doctors the day on the day prior to the start of the event.
6. All road numbers and entry fees must be paid prior to the start of the event.
7. As all those all entrants must abide by the rules of the road as prescribed by State Laws and Statutes.
8. For further information, clarification and full conditions please contact the office.



**Variety POSTIE BIKE DASH**  
4th - 9th Nov 2018



**About Variety – the Children's Charity**

Variety – the Children's Charity believes all Aussie kids deserve a fair go. We support kids who have a disability, chronic illness, or who are facing financial hardship or geographical isolation. We grant practical equipment, programs and experiences to help Aussie kids reach their full potential. [Variety.org.au](http://Variety.org.au)

**Who can join?**

Anyone over eighteen years of age with a spirit of adventure and a tolerance to dust and discomfort. A wicked sense of humour will be an advantage. You will find as a general rule most of the entrants are great friends you just haven't met yet!

All registrants will be provided with a list of various accommodation venues. You can book your own accommodation based on your comfort levels and budget.

**Cost**  
Your entry fee is a \$2,000 donation to Variety – the Children's Charity. This may be made up of fundraising or a personal donation. An \$300 initial donation must be made with your entry form and a further \$1,500 donation before we set off. These donations are tax deductible.

There is also a cost of \$480 per year meals and must be paid prior to start.

**Meals**  
All meals will be organised and supplied from breakfast on Day 1 to our presentation extravaganza on Day 6. Everyone will be issued with a name tag and these must be worn at our meal stops. No Name Tag, No Meal!

**Luggage**  
We have a baggage vehicle that will transport luggage and any basic camping equipment. Space is limited so only the bare essentials!

**Clothing**  
We must insist that you wear protective clothing while riding on the event. This includes helmet, gloves, long legged trousers, a jacket and appropriate footwear. Please be mindful that jeans are not protective in the event of a spill, please consider investing in something a little sturdier.

Also open faced helmets are not acceptable on this event and a helmet with some kind of chin protection must be worn. A high-viz vest will also be supplied that you will be required to wear whilst on the road.

**Registration, Insurance and Licensing**  
The event will be run on public roads and all bikes must have current registration and appropriate insurance for the entire event. We would advise that you cover your bike for third party property damage at a minimum. Every rider must hold a current motor cycle license and we will need to see that before you depart. No learner riders permitted.

We will require a photograph of your current registration and insurance papers to keep on file before you are eligible to commence the event. Everyone taking part in the Variety Postie Bike Dash will be required to sign an indemnity form issued by Variety – the Children's Charity (NSW) and have a current Working With Children's Check (WWCC).

**Friends and Family**  
Friends and family are more than welcome to join us at our designated stops. Please let us know where and when they will be joining us so we can organise seating and catering etc. We will need these numbers and payment 5 days before departure.



**THE GATHERING**

**Day 0 Saturday 3rd November 2018**

We will be meeting up at Pinewoods Rugby Union Club 16C Kent Street South Tamworth. This is where we will do the final bike inspections and make sure all the appropriate bookwork is completed before we set off. The club will be open for light refreshments between 11 am and 3 pm. The Rugby Club has made their back-up yard available for us to lock up cars and trailers for the week we are away. We will reconvene at the Post Office Hotel for some more refreshments and bike get together before the event begins.

**THE JOURNEY**

**Day 1 Sunday 4th November 2018**

Tamworth to Bundarra 156kms – Bundarra to Glen Innes 184kms  
Our starting point will be in the Fitzroy Street Mall just off Peel Street (the 'Milk Street') and our breakfast will be prepared by St Nicholas Catholic Primary School. From our breakfast point we will head to our long time sponsor TAMEX Transport for a group photo before we make our way to Bundarra for lunch with the P & C of the Bundarra Central School. From lunch we make our way to Glen Innes for our evening meal at the Club Hotel.

**Day 2 Monday 5th November 2018**

Glen Innes to Nymboida 149kms – Nymboida to Coffs Harbour 104kms  
Breakfast will be with the P & C of the West Glen Innes School. From here we head toward the coast and take a break for lunch at the Nymboida Public School. From here we wind our way to the coastal city of Coffs Harbour and enjoy the hospitality of the Coffs Hotel.

**Day 3 Tuesday 6th November 2018**

Toormina to Kempsey 173kms  
For something different we have decided to take you for a small jaunt before breakfast, out to the kids at Toormina Public School for our breakfast. From here it is off to Kempsey RSL for our Melbourne Cup celebrations. You will have the afternoon to yourselves before we meet up again at the Kempsey RSL for our evening meal.

**Day 4 Wednesday 7th November 2018**

Kempsey to Kew 142kms – Kew to Taree 202kms  
We meet back up at the Kempsey RSL for our breakfast and head in a southerly direction for our lunch stop at the Royal Hotel Kew. We head back inland a little from here to the Riverina City of Taree and here we'll be dining at the Taree Aquatic Club.

**Day 5 Thursday 8th November 2018**

Taree to Nowendoc 127kms – Nowendoc to Walcha 105kms  
Our hosts this morning will be the Lions Club of Taree before we start our inland journey and take a break for lunch at Nowendoc Public School. The afternoon takes us to Walcha for dinner at the Walcha Bowling Club.

**Day 6 Friday 9th November 2018**

Walcha to Tamworth 196kms  
Before we depart on the last leg of our 2018 adventure we head back to the Bowling Club for breakfast. From here it's back to where we began in the Fitzroy Street Mall and enjoy a lunch put together by Bullinbad School. The afternoon gives us a chance to rest up before we reconvene at the Inn Maguire Hotel for our Presentation Dinner.



	<b>Wednesday 21 March 6.30 for 7am TRECC</b>	<b>Wednesday 28 March West Diggers 6.30 for 7am</b>	<b>Wednesday 4 April West Diggers 6.30 for 7</b>
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Science &amp; Engineering</b>	<b>Visit from Queen &amp; Princess Christine Shewry JoblinkPlus</b>	
<b>Door Team</b>	Terry Robinson Helen Tickle	Paul Stevenson James Treloar	Naomi Blakey Anne Jacob
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>		Robert Sharp	Chris Watson
<b>Welcome</b>		Philip Penman	Val Hellmann
<b>President Assist</b>		Maxwell Cathcart	Brian Thompson
<b>Visitor Assist</b>		Ron Allen	Peter Pulley
<b>Corporal Assist</b>		Dennis Johnson	Phil Lyon
<b>Bulletin Notes</b>		Barry Biffin	Jane Bradford
<b>Introduction</b>		Barry Biffin	Jane Bradford
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>		Richard Hardwick	Mitchel Soree
<b>60 seconds</b>			
<b>PO Raffle</b>	<b>16 March</b>	<b>23 March</b>	<b>30 March</b>
NOW @6.30	Phil Heffernan Paul Stevenson	Paul Stevenson	Steve Hawkins
<b>6 April</b>	<b>13 April</b>	<b>20 April</b>	<b>27 April</b>
Steve Hawkins Tom Hellmann	Tom Hellmann Sue O'Connor	Sue O'Connor ?Marina Lawrence	?Marina Lawrence
<b>Corporals for March</b>		<b>Corporals for April</b>	
Phil Penman & Steve Massey		Bruce Hemmett & Maureen Thornton	
<b>Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions</b>			
<b>Members Birthdays</b>	Louise Matthews 24/3; Sue O'Connor 27/3; Peter Ryan 26/3; Maureen Thornton 22/3		
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	Kerry Walker 25/3		
<b>Anniversaries</b>			
<b>Club Induction</b>	)Lesley Hood 27/3 (5)		
<b>Attendance</b>	84%		
<b>Make-Ups</b>	nil		
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Ron & Jan McIrelland (Grenfell)		
<b>Visitors</b>	John Rouvray ; Naomi Blakey; James de Ferranti; Jill Cork;		
<b>Heads &amp; Tails</b>			
<b>Raffle</b>			

## 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

#### President—Michael Smith

president@tamworthfirstlight.org.au

#### Secretary—Michael O'Connor

secretary@tamworthfirstlight.org.au

### Other Clubs meet:

<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