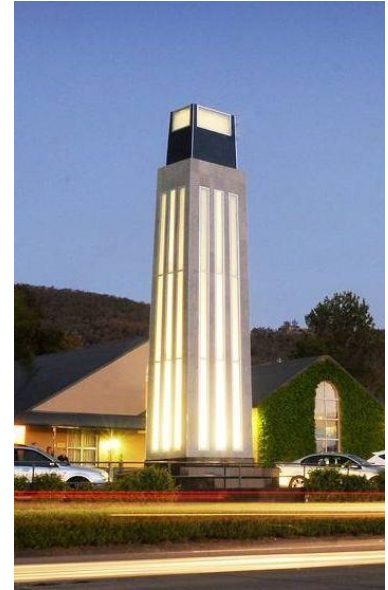




Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

2017 2018

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Wednesday 11 APRIL 2018

QUOTE; Common sense is like deodorant, those who need it the most never use it !!

Barry Harley from TRC gave us a rundown on the Tamworth Country Music Festival this week. Its history, the money it brings to town, its positives and some minor negatives. He demystified a few untruths and sceptics but did acknowledge that the festival has been and always will be a work in progress. The festival has and needs to change with the times, but the large number of return visitors is a great sign. The Festival is a great asset and money spinner for the town in a month that would otherwise be “dead” for many industries. For those that doubt this go, for a walk down the mall in Armidale in January or similar other regional towns west of the divide.



Pedal the Peel is on this Sunday. A great deal of organisation has gone into the event and it's not too late to help if you can. Call Mitch Soree or Robbo if you have not yet volunteered. Good luck to all competitors and the organisers, no need to wish for fine weather, its forgotten how to rain.

Best wishes to Marina Lawrence and her partner Jordan Hearne,

Laurence's son, who tie the knot this Saturday.

Again I am sure the weather will be beautiful, so all that is left to do is enjoy the day. I guess they have a decent excuse for not marshalling on Sunday morning!!

Well done to Biffo and his team for a big win at the Sydney Royal Easter show in the tent pegging.

My Board has its monthly meeting next MONDAY at 5.30 in my offices.

Please get your reports in guys!!

See you in two weeks as I will be away in Sydney next week at an audit conference, bet you all wish you could come!!

Kind Regards
Michael Smith

Reminder.

Rob Sharp is off to Popondetta and Rabaul in August. Would you like to accompany him?

END TRACHOMA BY 2020 (courtesy RC of Port Macquarie)

Tonight's keynote speaker was PDG Ian Dyball.

Ian gave a very professional presentation on the eradication of trachoma from Australia by 2020. Trachoma is a highly contagious bacteria infection that infects the eyes and can lead to permanent blindness. Amazingly, Australia is the only developed country in the world with this problem. Mostly amongst our indigenous people in the outback.

Rotary is partnering with a number of other organisations, such as the Australian Trachoma Alliance, the Fred Hollows Foundation and the Australian Government, to tackle this problem found in aboriginal camps, mostly around Alice Springs and Northern South Australia and also at Leonora in Western Australia.

The Rotary partnership has identified ways that Rotarians can support some of our least advantaged Australians improve their health and wellbeing. SAFE (Surgery); A (Antibiotics); F (Facial cleanliness) & E (Environmental improvements) The E part of SAFE is the area Rotary can mostly help. Some of the projects we can support - Installation of mirrors in homes. 1000s of 300mm stick-on mirror tiles are needed for every indigenous home/dwelling. \$15. - Face washers, personalised microfibre face washer for each child \$4; Soap Making - workshops for indigenous women, \$1500 for a 2-day workshop; Manual washing machines. Ezywash - cost \$100 and Installation of community laundry facilities with bathrooms and showers. For more info and donations go to - www.endtrachoma2020.org.au

PDG Ian Dyball is seeking someone in Cluster 6 – Tamworth Clubs, Manilla and Quirindi Clubs – to please join his Committee to promote this program within our Cluster via media, visiting Clubs, schools etc. If interested – please contact PDG Ian Dyball on 0427 931 333 or by email on idtball@ozemail.com.au

WHAT'S ON	THE FUTURE PROGRAM.
APRIL	8 Sunday Pedal the Peel 11 RYLA participants 18 ANZAC theme Michael O'Connor 25 ANZAC DAY no Rotary meeting
MAY	16 Careers Expo Breakfast at the TREC 26 District Assembly at Gunnedah
JUNE	16 Change over Dinner



This is taken from the Book of Wisdom probably written by Solomon about 950 BC

Epilogue: The Wife of Noble Character

- ¹⁰ ^[b] A wife of noble character who can find? She is worth far more than rubies.
- ¹¹ Her husband has full confidence in her and lacks nothing of value.
- ¹² She brings him good, not harm, all the days of her life.
- ¹³ She selects wool and flax and works with eager hands.
- ¹⁴ She is like the merchant ships, bringing her food from afar.
- ¹⁵ She gets up while it is still night; she provides food for her family and portions for her female servants.
- ¹⁶ She considers a field and buys it; out of her earnings she plants a vineyard.
- ¹⁷ She sets about her work vigorously; her arms are strong for her tasks.
- ¹⁸ She sees that her trading is profitable and her lamp does not go out at night.
- ¹⁹ In her hand she holds the distaff and grasps the spindle with her fingers.
- ²⁰ She opens her arms to the poor and extends her hands to the needy.
- ²¹ When it snows, she has no fear for her household; for all of them are clothed in scarlet.
- ²² She makes coverings for her bed; she is clothed in fine linen and purple.
- ²³ Her husband is respected at the city gate, where he takes his seat among the elders of the land.
- ²⁴ She makes linen garments and sells them, and supplies the merchants with sashes.
- ²⁵ She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come.
- ²⁶ She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue.
- ²⁷ She watches over the affairs of her household and does not eat the bread of idleness.
- ²⁸ Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her:
- ²⁹ "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all."
- ³⁰ Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
- ³¹ Honour her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

Congratulations to Marina and Jordan on their wedding celebration.

	Wednesday 11 April West Diggers 6.30 for 7	Wednesday 18 April West Diggers 6.30 for 7	Wednesday 25 April
Topic	RYLA participants	Anzac Theme Michael O'Connor	ANZAC DAY NO MEETING
Door Team	Stephen Massey Robert Clifton	John Fogarty Peter Ryan	
Meeter & Greeter	Leslie Jacob	Richard Walker	
Welcome	Louise Matthews	Peter Bell	
President Assist	Dennis Maunder	Peter Leonard	
Visitor Assist	Dwone Jones	Michelle Shanahan	
Corporal Assist	Julian Smith	Elizabeth Gill	
Bulletin Notes	Barry Biffin	Brett White	
Introduction	Barry Biffin	Brett White	
Vote of Thanks	Brodie Shield	Graham Dooley	
60 seconds			
PO Raffle	13 April	20 April	27 April
NOW @6.30	Tom Hellmann Lawrence Hearne	Sue O'Connor Marina Lawrence	Marina Lawrence Brian Logan
4 May	11 May	18 May	25 May
Brian Logan Andrew Maughan	Andrew Maughan John Treloar	John Treloar Sue O'Connor	Sue O'Connor Lawrence Hearne
Corporals for April		Corporals for May	
Bruce Hemmett & Maureen Thornton		Ian Howle David Hinwood	
Birthdays, Anniversaries and Inductions			
Members Birthdays	nil		
Partners Birthdays	Robyn Penman 12/4; Carmel Raymond 14/4; Annette Ryan 14/4;		
Anniversaries	Robert & Jenny Clifton 16/4 (35); Chris & Gemma Watson 16/4 (7)		
Club Induction	Brian Logan 12/4 (18)		
Attendance	67%		
Make-Ups	nil		
Visiting Rotarians	nil		
Visitors	John Rouvray; Barry Harley		
Heads & Tails	Marina Lawrence		
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

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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