



Rotary Opens Opportunities

Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light



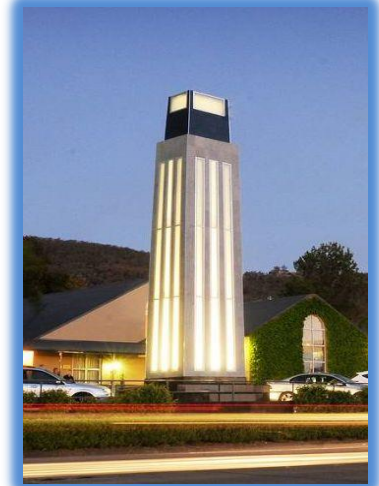
2020 - 2021

District Governor [Debbie Loveday](#)

President: [Deb Barnes](#)

Secretary: [Sue O'Connor](#)

Treasurer: [Michael Smith](#)



MEETING 1556 ISSUE 49 WEDNESDAY 23 JUNE 2021



Sunrise at Birdsville - thank you Deb Barnes

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES FOR 2021

Wednesday, 16 June – SLEEP IN THAT MORNING AS NO MEETING

Saturday, 19 June – First Light Changeover – The Event Centre – Hotel Mercure

Saturday, 26 June - D9650 Changeover

2021 – 2022

10 October 2021 “Lift the Lid” Fund-raiser

President Deb Barnes welcoming Past President Vicki Cooper back into membership of our Club - the transfer was made by Barbara Mifsud - Regional Membership Officer, Membership Department of Rotary International South Pacific & Philippines Office



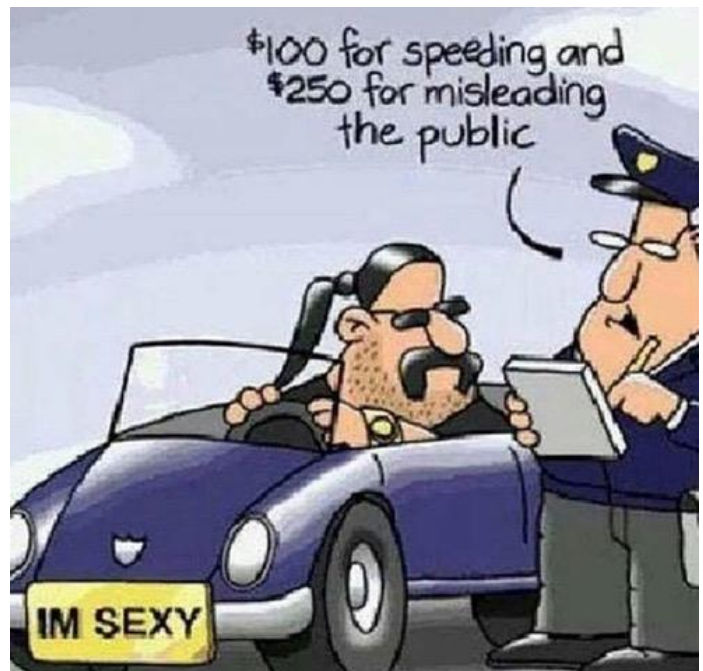
I was driving when I saw the flash of a traffic camera. I figured that my picture had been taken for exceeding the limit even though I knew that I was not speeding.

Just to be sure, I went around the block and passed the same spot, driving even more slowly, but again the camera flashed. Now I began to think that this was quite funny, so I drove even slower as I passed the area once more, but the traffic camera again flashed.

I tried a fourth and fifth time with the same results and was now laughing as the camera flashed while I rolled past at a snail's pace.

Two weeks later, I got five tickets in the mail for driving without a seat belt.

You know, you just can't fix stupid.



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

ONLY A LIFE
LIVED IN
SERVICE
TO OTHERS IS
WORTH LIVING.

ALBERT EINSTEIN

Dear Members and Friends

Well, that year certainly went quickly.

I would sincerely like to thank everybody so much for your support and assistance during the year.

We have an amazing Club with people who are so dedicated to making a difference and supporting those in need, particularly youth through the Rotary Youth in Agriculture (RYAG) programs, Long Term Youth Exchange (YEP) and others that we were sadly unable to participate in this year because of Covid-19.

However, we achieved – in spite of Covid-19 – last year we were the only District in the world to achieve two RYLA camps – actually face-to-face Camps.

I am so very grateful for everything we achieved and the fun we had along the way and how we managed everything we planned so well in spite of the major negative at the back of the room – Covid-19.

It saddens me greatly that Jane has resigned from Rotary as of 30 June, after 28 years. It was lovely that Jane was our guest speaker on my last week. She shared some amazing and hilarious stories of a few of the Rotary adventures – mostly good / a few ordinary that she experienced in her role as District Governor D9650. Jane certainly dressed to emphasise some of the things she had been through and she now says Farewell to The Dame of Rotary. Jane, we will miss you.

I look forward to seeing all the people who are able to make it to our Club's Changeover Party on Saturday, 19 June.

I thank you again for your support and look forward to us all providing the same support to Marina and her team in the year ahead.

See you at Changeover.

Thanks

DEB BARNES



WHOOPS! THERE HAS BEEN A MISTAKE.....

Our guest speaker was PDG Jane Bradford – the year 2004 - 2005



The Team for D9650 in 2005 - 2006

John Robinson – Treasurer
Not an accountant but a whizz on figures and we had a brilliant year and made a **profit**

Jane Bradford – D9650 Governor

Brodie Shields - Secretary
Introduced by Brodie Shields – he was the expert on “IT” and managed to drag every Club into the modern era and we have progressed through fax machines to emails to Zoom and D9650 has survived!!!!

Just a view points

1. Never join any volunteer organisation and just be a “knife n forker” – it’s a waste of time for the organisation and what benefit could you possibly gain by doing nothing
2. If asked to participate in a project – say “Yes” with enthusiasm – you have no idea where it may take you but it can be a great adventure
3. Never miss an AGM or similar – you will get a job anyway – please do “it” with grace and enthusiasm – again you have no idea where “it” might take you and it can be fun!
4. Feel I have lived my life through the four-way test but I also like the following “Test”

A wonderful way to run your life is to **Drink, Steal, Swear and Lie**

Drink from the fountain of friendship and happiness

Steal time to do an act of kindness for someone and **NOT** expect anything in return

Swear to do your job / work / play a little better and to

Lie down at night and thank your God that you live in a free country.

Finally - be prepared to step outside your comfort zone – the world does not fall apart and you might actually enjoy the adventures along the way.

Thank you Rotary International and thank you to Rotary District 9650 and to my two wonderful Clubs – RC of Tamworth-on-Peel and, of course to the RC of Tamworth First Light. It has been 28 years of an amazing journey – women are now welcome to all positions in Rotary – our first female International President is about to happen; our first female RI Director-elect from Western Australia is also about to happen.

What a way to finish – “Women are Taking Over”



The Dame being thanked by James Treloar



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

Tamworth—First Light

Meets Wednesday morning,
6:30 for 7:00 am at
The Events Centre
Hotel Mercure
TAMWORTH NSW 2340

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?

Other Clubs meet

Monday PM – Tamworth West

Tuesday PM - Tamworth

Wednesday PM - Calala

Friday AM – Sunrise

Club Officers and contact details

President—Deb Barnes

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Treasurer – Michael Smith



WEEKLY ROSTER FOR BOTH CLUB AND POST OFFICE RAFFLES

	SATURDAY 19 June 2021	23 June 2021	30 June 2021
	Changeover The Event Centre	Chillingworth Room	Chillingworth Room
Sergeants	Mandy Fisher Barry Biffin	Barry Biffin	Barry Biffin
Corporals		Vicki Cooper Peter Bell	Ian Howle Mitch Soree
Meeter & Greeter		Dennis Johnson	Phil Knight
Door Team		Brett White Bev Fletcher	Peter Leonard Steve Massey
President Assist		Richard Walker	Dennis Maunder
Visitor Assist		Naomi Blakey	Ron Allan
Welcome		Richard Hardwick	Paul Stevenson
Bulletin Notes		Phil Penman	John Rouvray
Introduction		Phil Penman	John Rouvray
Vote of Thanks		Peter Ryan	Laurence Hearne

POST OFFICE RAFFLE – FRIDAYS - 6:00 – 7:00PM

11 June 2018	18 June 2021	25 June 2021	2 July 2021
Brett White Terry Robinson	Terry Robinson Steve Massey	Steve Massey Laurence Hearne	Laurence Hearne

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS	
Members Birthdays	Brodie Shields (21/06);
Partners Birthdays	
Anniversaries	Roslyn & Dennis Maunder (44yrs 24/06/1977);
Club Induction	Louise Matthews (16yrs 18/06/2005); Brett White (23yrs 20/06/1998) John Robinson (Calala) Terry Robinson (16yrs 30.06.2005)
Attendance	70%
Make-ups	
Visiting Rotarians	John Robinson (Calala)
Visitors	Narelle Robinson, Malcolm Turnbull
Heads & Tails	Skinner
Raffle	Terry Robinson

