

ROTARY CLUB OF TAMWORTH FIRST LIGHT
YEAR 2009 – 2010

WORLD PRESIDENT
John Kenny – Grangemouth:Scotland

DISTRICT GOVERNOR
Neville Parsons

THEME – The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President – Brett White
President Elect – David Hinwood

Secretary – Terry Robinson
Treasurer – Michael Smith

CLUB SERVICE – Director – Louise Matthews

Attendance: Terry Burgess
Corporals & Club Equipment:
Ron Allen
Programme: Jim Raymond
Social, Sporting & Fellowship:

Golf Committee: Terry Burgess; Dennis Maunder; David Hinwood; Brian Yeo; Brian Thompson; Maureen Thornton; John Treloar; Phil Heffeman; John Worldon; Phil Penman
Rotary Foundation: Brian Thompson

Sergeant at Arms: John Treloar
Bulletin: Jane Bradford
Classification & Membership:
Chris Sheppard
Public Relations: Simon Chamberlain
Welfare Officer: Paul Stevenson
History: Terry Burgess
Bowel Scan: Dennis Johnson
Careers Expo: Louise Matthews
Catering: Brian Logan
Public Officer: Michael O'Connor
Webmaster: Bruce Hemmett

Science & Engineering Committee: Alan Coates; Tim Coates; Judy Coates; Dick Davison; Norm Dezius; Anne Jacob; Les Jacob

Committee: Max Cathcart; Laurence Hearne; Phil Heffeman; Narelle Langfield; Phil Penman; Peter Ryan; Chris Sheppard; Brodie Shields; Brian Thompson; Brian Yeo

COMMUNITY SERVICE – Director – Brian Logan

Committee: Greg Birtles; Robert Clifton; Norm Dezius; Graham Dooley; Ian Howle; Anne Jacob; Steve Massey; Dennis Maunder; Stephen Mitchell; Bill Moss; Barry Murphy; John Toulmin; Pat Varley

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE – Director – Vicki Cooper

Committee: David Baddams MBE; Carmen Campbell; Andrew Hawkins; Peter Hinchcliffe; Meg Larkin; Ross Lobsey; Max May; Graham Nuttall; Mark O'Connor; Maureen Thornton

VOCATIONAL SERVICE – Director – John Worldon

Committee: Peter Bell; John Fogarty; John Glynn; Peter Hyde; Dwone Jones; Phil Lyon;
Jeanette Mouatt; Helen Tickle James Parsons

NEW GENERATIONS (Youth) – Director – Annette Arthur

Committee: Barry Biffen; Judy Coates; Tim Coates; Allan Coates OAM; Dick Davison;
Les Jacob; Neil Lyon; Campbell McIntosh; Julian Smith

Meeting Place – Sanctuary Inn – Armidale Road – Tamworth

Breakfast Fee - \$17.00

Annual Subscriptions - \$270.00
(Includes FAIM contribution of \$10.00)

MEMBERSHIP

New Members	
Rob Clifton	24/06/2009
James Parsons – Resigned in error	
Dr Rob Sharp	10/02/2010
Chris Celovic	21/04/2010
Dianna Lockwood	21/04/2010
Patrick Mahoney	21/04/2010

Members Resigned		
Alex Robson		15/07/2009
Patrick O'Connor	Transfer	12/08/2009
Des Gorman	Transfer	12/08/2009
Judy Coates	Terminated	06/11/2009
Carmen Campbell	Resigned	24/02/2010
Andrew Hawkins	Transfer	17/03/2010
Neil Lyon	Transfer	17/03/2010

PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS
Brian Thompson – Sapphire Pin
presented at 1000th meeting - 6th March 2010

AWARDS
Rotary International Presidential Citation

Steve Burrows Memorial Award
Club Person of the Year Award

PERSONAL PROFILES (Vocational Profiles)

John Worldon
Annette Arthur
Peter Bell
David Hinwood
Michael Smith
Laurence Hearne
Barry Murphy
Neil Lyon
Phil Penman
Ross Lobsey
Terry Robinson

Peter Hinchcliff
Jim Raymond
John Fogarty
Phil Penman
Terry Robinson
Max Cathcart
John Glynn

ACTIVITIES

COMMUNITY SERVICE

20/09/09 Inaugural "Pedal the Peel" Bike Ride – proceeds to Tamworth SES
15/12/09 Carols in the Park for Children's Medical Research
23/01/10 Marshalls – Country Music Cavalcade
22/01/10 Country Music – Celebrity Cricket Match
24/01/09 Complimentary Breath Testing
06/03/10 To 13/3/10 – Bowel Screen Program
31/03/10 Upgrade BBQs Anzac Park

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

Club membership of FAIM (first Avenue in Motion) = 100%
Kristy Reading nominated and accepted as a GSE team member to Colorado USA

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

21/10/09 Visit to S.E.S. Tamworth - Donation \$3,500 ex Pedal the Peel
03/02/10 Visit to Oncology Unit – Tamworth Base Hospital

NEW GENERATIONS

29/04/09 Science & Engineering Challenge at TREC
 Sponsored Rachel Johnston and Sam Sloan to RYLA
 Exchange :Student – Renat Raktashev – Russia (Siberia) arrived Jan. 2009 returned July 2010
 Russell Hooper sponsored to Perth for National Science Summer School
 Joint host with Tamworth Rotary – exchange student Felix Frankenberg – Sweden – Jan 2010
 28-30/5/10 – Co-ordinated RYAG Equine – AELEC – with Tamworth Clubs – Annette Arthur – Chair

SOCIAL, SPORTING & FELLOWSHIP

2/8/09 – 7/8/09 19th Gold Coast Golf Classic
 22/08/09 Walcha Road Social Experience (Train/Drink/Eat/Drink/Bus trip)
 10/10/09 Guess Who's Coming to Dinner
 23,24,25/10/2009 11th Hunter Golf Tour - “Swinging in the Vines”
 17/11/09 Christmas Party – Tamworth Rugby Club
 26,27,28/2/2010 (16th) Tallwoods Golf Tour
 06/03/10 1000th meeting celebrations – Tamworth Tennis Club
 12th - 13th - 14th March 2010 – District Conference – Port Macquarie
 16/03/10 Science & Engineering Dinner
 28/03/10 T20 Cricket match v Tamworth Sunrise (107) won by Tamworth First Light (143)
 15/05/10 Bush Dance – Moore Creek

GUEST SPEAKERS

SPEAKER	TOPIC
Peter Hinchcliffe	Personal Profile
Ray Tait	Topic 1 – Ambulance Para Services Topic 2 – TCC Crime prevention and graffiti
Joan Douglas & Jim Haines	Camerata
22/07/09 District Governor – Neville Parsons and partner Patti – Official Visit	
29/07/09 Club Assembly	
Jim Raymond	Personal Profile
Simon Hall	Teaching at School of St Jude in Tanzania
Pierre Stein	BAE Systems
Kathryn Cramer	College of Counselling
Russell Hooper	NYSF Expectations & NASA Space Centre – Florida
Bob Lumby	“Out of Diversity comes Opportunity”
Paul Ying	Tamworth Tidy Towns
Rob Clifton	Personal Profile
Michael Herden & Geoffrey Pitkin	Billabong Club House
David Woodward	Tourism Tamworth
07/10/09 Club Assembly	
Therese Cook	“My Heart is Breaking but My spirit is Strong”
Dr Rob Sharp	Medical Services – East New Britain – Rabaul
Felix Frankenberg	Rotary Exchange Student – Sweden
Peter Ryan	Paperless or less paper Office
John Fogarty	Personal Profile

GUEST SPEAKERS – Continued

SPEAKER	TOPIC
PGD John Barwick 02/12/2009	The Rotary Fopundation Annual General Meeting
Tony Windsor MHR	Climate Change and Emission Trading
Capt. Stuart Glover	Salvation Army
Nick Erby	Country Music festival
Holly Allen – Gore NZ	Young Ambassador
John Muller OAM	Life and times of John Muller
Raymond McLaren	Gemma Sisia and School of St.Jude
Max Cathcart	Personal Profile
Dr Roland Loeve	Men's Health
Snr Constable Phil Priest	Traffic Accident Investigation
Peter Ross	CEO Capital Theatre
Russell Hooper	NYSF Summer School – Perth
John Glynn	Personal Profile

President
Brett White

It has been an honour to be President this year especially with the added responsibility of the 1,000th meeting and the 20th Changeover.

The Club has always been run well and is an easy transition from one Board to the next. I was exceptionally lucky to have a professional and motivated Board with a variety of experience at Board level or just from various committee or Club roles. It was important as Minister for Women's Affairs that three of the board members are woman and additional to that is PDG Jane Bradford who took considerable enticement to take on the Bulletin and has done a great job.

The Board will be recognised at the Changeover, but needless to say Louise Mathews has been a godsend to me and allowed me to delegate many tasks. It took nearly half my term to become comfortable in the role as it is slightly daunting presiding over such a large group.

During this year, we have seen the BBQ upgrade and extension finally completed and officially opened on 31 March 2010 after three years in the planning. The project was Club, Joblink Plus and Tamworth Regional Council funded in labour or money and the construction phase coordinated by Ron Allen based on plans from Julian Smith.

We held the inaugural Pedal the Peel bicycle fun day and attracted over 100 cyclists. I am sure the event will continue to grow and become part of the state bicycle club programs.

We again enjoyed three golf trips that continue to generate most of our club service income and also greatly towards Rotary Foundation funds.

I have inducted five members at the time of writing and had the honour of bestowing a Sapphire PHF recognition on Brian Thompson at the 1,000th dinner.

We have been involved with the marshalling for the Country Music Cavalcade, Celebrity Cricket match, the Breathalyser station at the end of the Festival and Australia Day fund raising.

We had the 10th Science and Engineering Challenge and assisted with the Careers Expo at TREC. Our Club coordinated the RYAG Equine event held at AELEC 28-30 May with the assistance of all Tamworth Rotary Clubs under the Chair of Annette Arthur, and was of course a great success.

Social events included

- 'Guess who's coming to dinner'
- Walcha Road Pub train/drink/eat/drink and bus trip
- Bush dance at Moore Creek Hall

- Cricket match against Sunrise (we won of course)
- A great Christmas party at the Tamworth Rugby Club house.

It was great to have seven of our members attend the District Conference at Port Macquarie which was both educational and enjoyable.

We enjoyed hosting an exchange student (shared with Tamworth Rotary) Felix Frankenberg from Sweden who thoroughly enjoyed his experience and the Australian and more importantly, the Tamworth way of life.

Kirsty Reading was nominated by our Club for the GSE team tour of Colorado/Wyoming and was accepted. A great ambassador for our Country, City and Club. We also assisted Russell Hooper in funding his trip to Perth for the National Summer Science School.

I know I will look back on my year as very satisfying and it has provided me with increased confidence and a substantial personal challenge.

AS WE GO TO PRINT YEAR 2010 IS STILL A WORK IN PROGRESS



Vocational Visit – Tamworth Oncology Unit



Tim Coates thanks our RYLarians Micaela Paul, Brooke Spokes and Rachael Johnson for their presentation



Russian Exchange student, Renat Taktashev with host parents Brian Logan, Brett and Trudy White



Renat receives his AKUBRA HAT from Pres Brett White prior to his departure for home



Board 2009 – 2010

from left: Pres. Brett White, Pres elect David Hinwood (partially obscured) Vicki Cooper, Louise Matthews, Brian Logan, John Worldon, Michael Smith – absent Annette Arthur.



Professional Cake Cutters
Dick Davison and Tony Windsor MHR warily
cut our 1000th meeting celebration cake



Pres Brett White (left) presents Charter
President Brian Thompson with his PHF
Sapphire pin