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Club of Tamworth First Light

MEETING 1607 ISSUE 2 WEDNESDAY 29th June 2022



Rotary Year 2022 - 2023

District Governor	Neville Parsons
President:	Richard Hardwick
Secretary:	Vicki Cooper
Treasurer:	Dennis Maunder

*Mal Turnbull is the new Serg,
if you have any fines/stories/gossip
- send it to Mal!*



Richard's Notes

Quote of the week:

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give
Winston Churchill

Joke of the Week:

Next Monday we start Diarrhoea Awareness Week
Runs until Friday

Well meeting one is done, apparently it gets easier from here, thank you to everyone for the support so far.

It was good to receive such positive feedback from Kelly Makepeace who came along as guest speaker a few weeks ago with the Tamworth Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Kelly was really impressed by the number of our members who indicated that their kids and grandkids receive the books and that they read them to the kids.

Kelly has asked if anyone from the Club who is part of the program would like to be part of a video testimonial with the emphasis on fathers and grandfathers.

If this sounds like you, please let me know and I will pass on your details to Kelly, who knows it could be the start of a wonderful acting career.

Thank you to Kylie and Tania from the Oxley Community Transport team coming along and informing us what they do in the community. It is amazing how far they reach out in the region to support so many people.

Help Needed:

NAIDOC BBQ

Sunrise Club are supporting the NAIDOC BBQ on 8 July 2022 and are in need of extra support and the times are 10.30am to 2.00pm. If you are available for all or any time, please let me know and I will add you to the list.

Tamworth International Eventing

We received a request for support to the Tamworth International Eventing Inc who require volunteers over 23 – 24 July 2022 to assist in the following areas:

- Setup of dressage arenas and show jumping courses
- Event marshalls, changing the courses, judges, writers/scribes, catering
- Take down of dressage arenas and show jumping courses

If anyone is free and available please contact Bev Fletcher.

See everyone next week.

Rich

Rotary Newsflash

The Rotary Club of Dunedin, NZ – Project Starfish

Project Starfish is an initiative of the Rotary Club of Dunedin Central. The project was established by member David Black 17 years ago to support those fighting child trafficking and sex slavery in Cambodia and Thailand.

“Slavery is bad enough. It gets worse when you add ‘child’, but put ‘sex’ in the middle of it, and sometimes people just don’t want to know,” David said.

When it comes to horrifying stories and examples, David has no shortage of material and is an excellent guest speaker.

The global slavery industry is estimated to generate around US\$150 billion each year; US\$100 billion of which is spent specifically on children. Over the past 30 years, Rotary has invested about US\$1 billion fighting polio. In that same period, paedophiles have spent US\$3 trillion on child prostitutes, and the estimated tally of child rapes committed during that time stands at about 368 billion. In any given year, it is thought that 4.5 million worldwide are trapped in child sex slavery, with 2.2 million children estimated to be abducted into the trade annually.

David is passionate about trying to stop this horrific trade. In December 2019, he took a group of young people to Cambodia and Thailand, including Rotary Club of Timaru member Jessica Hewitson and her colleague Keryn Ward. They travelled to Siem Reap in Cambodia and participated in the International Angkor Wat Half Marathon with the Hagar organisation. They then headed to the Rescue Mission For Children in Thailand to help with the planned upgrade of facilities.

The Rescue Mission for Children in Northern Thailand is overseen by an Australian-based board and runs on donations and fundraising. The children here are stateless, so the Mission gives them food, clothing and an education – the greatest protection from being abducted and sold into sex slavery. Project Starfish helps support the non-government agencies at the coalface. They have planted fruit trees and put a new roof on the laundry drying area. Further works include a bathroom refurbishment for the girl’s dormitory.

Project Starfish received support from Rotary International President Kalyan Banerjee in 2012, when he promoted the project at the Rotary Convention in Bangkok. The project won the district trophy in 2017 for the collaboration of Rotary clubs, including Interact in the USA.

[#ProjectStarfish](#) [#RotaryClubofDunedinCentral](#) [#ChildTrafficking](#)
[#SexSlavery](#)

District 9660 - Members Page | Facebook page has been created. DISTRICT 9660 UPDATE
This is the members only private group for all Rotarians and Rotaractors in the new District 9960. A place to have discussions, share your Rotary news, projects and success stories, and excitement for Rotary, within the Group rules. Access to this group is restricted to people who are members of Rotary Clubs in District 9660.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/994961830997038>

This group provides a space to positively connect with other Rotarians in the district who utilise Facebook. Post and comments here will only be seen by the other group members. In keeping with the Four-Way Test, any exploitation of this group for non-Rotary reasons or derogatory, misleading, untrue, mischievous or defamatory comments towards Rotary, any District, Club or member will result in the individual's immediate expulsion from the group. You may need to adjust your "notification" setting to avoid receiving many emails from this group. We invite all members to come along and join this group. We are also working on having a public 9660 Facebook page. The public page will be a combination of a merging of the D9650 and D9670 current Facebook pages.



Tamworth Community Garden

We are on the lookout for volunteers who would like to be a part of the Tamworth Community Garden Committee.

Funding from Tamworth Landcare has enabled the starting point for Tamworth's first Community Garden in Victoria Park next to the Men's Shed.

If you are interested in gardening, programs for the public or great community initiatives please get in touch with Naomi Blakey - 0424973714 or naomi.blakey@gmail.com

The money and site is there now we just need to get it out of the ground!

Thanks,
Naomi

A REMINDER TO BOTH OLD AND NEW MEMBERS ABOUT THE DUTIES OF THE WEEKLY ROSTER

SERGEANT/S

Responsible for putting out all Club Property and putting away at the conclusion of the meeting with two Corporals each week to assist - **includes setting up and putting away the laptop and projector for presentations**
Need to be in attendance by 6:30AM

CORPORALS

To assist the Sergeant by putting out all Club Property, collecting fine monies, and putting away at the conclusion of the meeting - **includes setting up and putting away the laptop and projector for presentations**
One Needs to be in attendance by 6:30AM.

DOOR TEAM

To record the attendance of our members and guests, collect meeting dues, and if possible, balance the cash float - monies paid = monies received.
Need to be in attendance at 6.30AM

MEETER AND GREETER

To meet and greet our members and welcome guests to our Club at the top of the stairs 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 feel welcome.
Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am

WELCOME

To publicly welcome our Members and Guests (following the introduction) to our meeting when called upon by the President or his / her substitute.
Need to be in attendance by 6.40 am (or earlier)

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 6.30AM

VISITOR ASSIST

To ensure any visitors to the Club are made welcome by introducing yourself to them and other members and guests of our Club. **To also include them in fellowship before and, where possible, introduce them to the President**, make sure they are included with several members for breakfast and are not left on their own.
Need to be in attendance from 6.30 am

If you are not able attend a meeting and are rostered on, please ensure you find a replacement for your role. It is not the President's or the Bulletin Editor's position to find your replacement and our Treasurer's should never be on the door team! Much appreciated, thank you.

Guest Speaker Notes

Our guest speakers this morning were Kylie and Tanya from **Oxley Community Transport Service**, based in Tamworth.

This Service provides transport at an entry level for over 65 year olds and over 50 for Aboriginal people. The Service operates from Tamworth to Barraba, Quirindi/ Walhallow to Bendemeer and Somerton. There are currently over 4,000 clients utilising the service of Oxley Community Transport.

The Service offers clients a way to get to essential services such as medical, shopping and social appointments by using the community bus and volunteer driver service or the taxi subsidy scheme. The trips are subsidised with the client paying a reduced rate to a commercial offering. Trips around Tamworth are \$6 each way; a trip to Newcastle will cost around \$130.

To be eligible to use the service, you need to meet one of the following criteria:

- Under the CHSP program (over 65);
- Under the CTP Program (transport disadvantaged);
- DVA – Gold card holder are entitled to medical transport covered by DVA

Potential clients will be assessed to ensure they meet the eligibility criteria through My Aged Care.

Most drivers are volunteers and the Service is always looking for additional drivers and transport assistants.

To seek an assessment, people should phone 6762 1122 or 1800 951 770

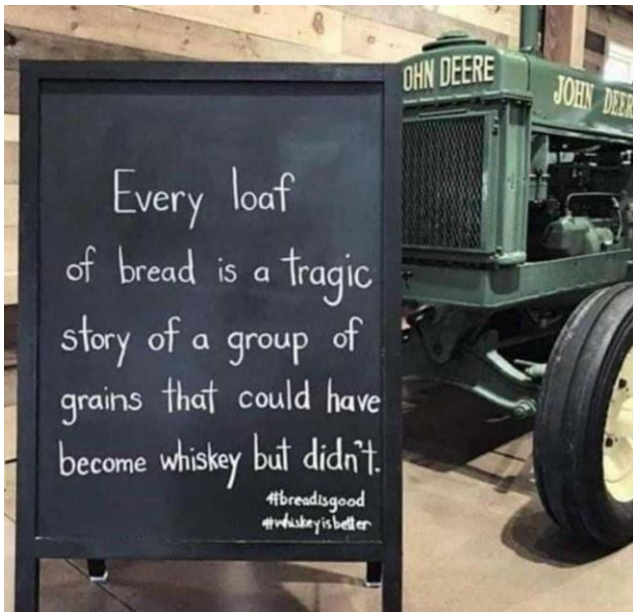
Their website is: www.oxleycommunitytransport.com.au

Notes provided by Phil Penman

Vote of thanks, John Rouvray



Funny Corner



BACK IN MY DAY WE DIDN'T WEAR HELMETS. 



WE'D JUST LIE THERE UNCONSCIOUS UNTIL SOMEONE CAME TO GET US FOR DINNER. 

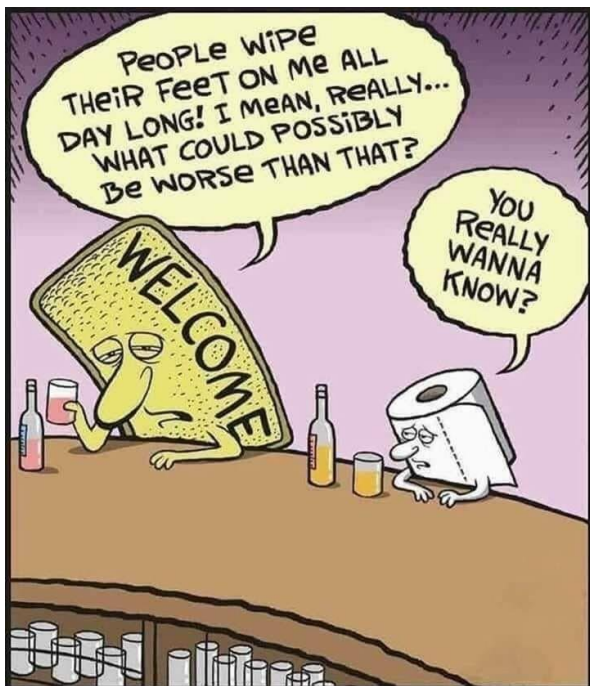
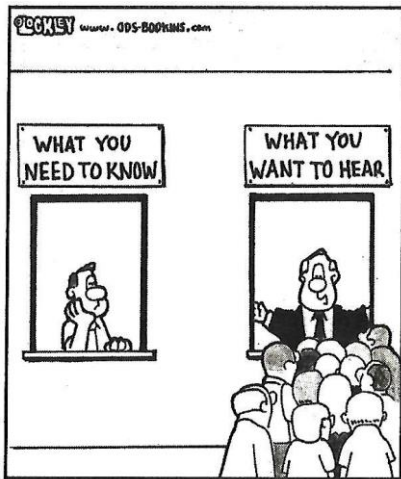
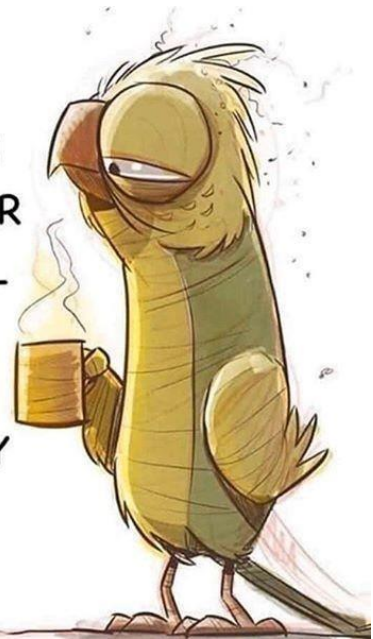
HOW TO FIND OUT
IF YOU'RE OLD,
FALL DOWN...

- IF PEOPLE LAUGH, YOU'RE YOUNG
- IF PEOPLE PANIC, YOU'RE OLD!





I AM NOT AN
EARLY BIRD OR
A NIGHT OWL
I AM SOME
FORM OF
PERMANENTLY
EXHAUSTED
PIGEON



Rotary Events Calendar	Date
District Showcase & AGM – Tamworth	26 – 27 Nov 2022
District Conference – Tamworth	24 – 26 Mar 2023
Rotary International Convention – Melbourne	27 – 31 May 2023

Social Calendar	Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post Office Raffles Social Night 	3rd Friday of the Month

Tamworth First Light Website - <https://www.tamworthfirstlight.org.au/>

Our Club Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/tamworthfirstlightrotary>

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.

Tamworth - First Light

Meets each Wednesday
6:30 for 7:00 am
West League Club
Chillingworth Room
Phillip Street
South Tamworth

Club Officers and contact details

[President — Richard Hardwick](#)

[Secretary — Vicki Cooper](#)

[Treasurer – Dennis Maunder](#)

Other Clubs meet:

Monday PM – Tamworth West

Tuesday PM – Tamworth

Wednesday PM - Calala

Friday AM - Sunrise

Seven Areas of Focus



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?

	29 th June	6 th July	13 th July
Topic	Safework NSW COVID Brief Wests	Rotary International Theme	TBA
Location	Wests	Wests	Wests
Guest speaker	Michael Southwell	Initiatives Presentation	TBA
Sergeant	Malcolm Turnbull	Malcolm Turnbull	Malcolm Turnbull
Corporals (fortnightly)	Marina Hearne Brodie Shields	Marina Hearne Brodie Shields	Michael Smith Mitchell Soree
Meeter & Greeter	Michael Smith	Malcolm Turnbull	Courtney Priestly
Door Team	Mitchell Soree Courtney Priestly	Chris Watson Brett White	Brian Thompson Helen Tickle
President Assist	Paul Stevenson	Ron Allen	James Treloar
Visitor Assist	Helen Tickle	Deb Barnes	Richard Walker
Welcome	Brian Thompson	Peter Bell	John Treloar
Bulletin Notes & Introduction	James Treloar	Barry Biffin	Val Hellmann
Vote of Thanks	John Treloar	Louise Mathews	Chris Watson

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

1 st July	8 th July	15 th July	22 nd July
Peter Leonard Sue O'Connor	Sue O'Connor Philip Penman	Philip Penman Terry Robinson	Terry Robinson Peter Ryan

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS

Members Birthdays	Helen Tickle 1 st July
Partners Birthdays	Nil
Anniversaries	Nil
Club Induction	Terry Robinson 30th June (16yrs)

Attendance	67%
Make-Ups	Nil
Visiting Rotarians	Nina Wrathall (Tamworth), Hugh Raadgever (Coonabarabran)
Visitors	Nil
Heads & Tails	Tania – Guest Speaker
Raffle	Skinner

Now you have read the roster, make sure you read the rest of the bulletin!!