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Club of Tamworth First Light

MEETING 1622 ISSUE 17 WEDNESDAY 12th Oct 2022



Rotary Year 2022 - 2023

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

Photo courtesy of Barry Biffin
Caught a whoppa!



Richard's Notes

Quote of the Week:

Believe you can and you're halfway there.

Theodore Roosevelt

Joke of the Week

I accidentally gave my wife a glue stick, instead of her lipstick.

She still isn't talking to me.

Our numbers were on the light side this week, but we have so many lucky members away on holidays it is too be expected. A good reminder for members to also check their details on DACdb to ensure that they are correct and let the Club know if there are any issues and we can rectify them.

Our guest speaker was Councillor Russell Webb, Mayor of Tamworth Regional Council and he has provided us with some information as to where the region is heading over the next 10 years and how the Regional Council is looking to address the challenges ahead.

A reminder that our teams are still on the hunt for prizes for our Golf Day and the Art Gala events, if you know of anyone willing to assist please contact Vicki Cooper for the Golf Day or Dimity Betts for the Art Gala.


Announcements:

- **Rotary Book Shed**

We had a meeting with the President and Secretary of Tamworth Rotary Club last week and after clarifying a couple of points we have agreed to move forward on the Book Shed activity. This will initially involve some information sharing. To do this we will look at a memorandum of understanding (MOU) to review the aspects required for due diligence purposes. Our working committee will have regular meetings and we will be sharing these meetings with Tamworth Rotary to finalise opportunity. We will keep you all informed.

Rotary News



 **Rotary Oceania**
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Dear Rotary members,

Thank you to all clubs who cast their vote in the Zone 8 Regionalisation pilot ballot.

We were delighted with the result with more than 89% of clubs across the zone expressing a YES vote. This lets us know that there is strong support for a pilot which will enable us to trial, explore, design and evaluate a new regional approach to supporting and governing Rotary and Rotaract clubs in Australia, New Zealand and Pacific Island region.

We are pleased to advise that 20 out of 21 Districts achieved the required threshold of two thirds majority of clubs voting Yes. The club vote was also endorsed by all 21 District Governors in their role as Rotary International Officers.

Whilst one district had more than 50% of clubs vote yes, it did not meet the two thirds threshold.

At this point in time, we will advise the Rotary International Board of the outcome as well as seek guidance on the path forward. Thank you for your patience and we will be in touch once we have a clear course of action.

If you require further information, please contact your District Governor.

We would like to thank all Rotary and Rotaract volunteers who have supported this project. We would also like to thank the Rotary International staff at our Sydney office and elsewhere for their ongoing support. [#ImagineRotary](#) [#PeopleOfAction](#) [#Rotaract](#) [#ServeToChangeLives](#)



Click this link to register!! <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

Start collecting 10c refund containers to donate through the return and earn machines in Tamworth from 17 Oct 2022 – 23 Apr 2023.

All funds will go direct to The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

Guest Speaker Notes – Mayor Russell Webb

The topic was [Blueprint 100 Our Community Plan 2023-2033](#) as adopted by the Council and can be accessed in full on the Tamworth Regional Council website.

This Plan sets out the Councils' vision for the future of the Region and the matters that need to be addressed to ensure its viability and liveability. The Plan lists 9 Pillars, or Focus areas, for sustaining the future development. These are:

1. OUR WATER SECURITY "Deliver durable water infrastructure including raw water"
2. A LIVEABLE BUILT ENVIRONMENT "Facilitate smart growth and housing choices"
3. PROSPERITY AND INNOVATION "Create a Prosperous Region"
4. RESILIENT AND DIVERSE COMMUNITIES "Build resilient communities"
5. CONNECT OUR REGION AND ITS CITIZENS
6. WORKING WITH AND PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT "Design with Nature"
7. CELEBRATE OUR CULTURES AND HERITAGE
8. A STRONG AND VIBRANT IDENTITY "Strengthen our proud identity"
9. OPEN AND COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP

For the Region to ensure enhanced liveability the Council will need the support of the community in increasing the population and in providing the necessary services.

It was disappointing that the Council only received 648 responses to its survey seeking comments on what was required for the future development of the Region.

The Mayor indicated that the following points highlight some of the matters affecting our Region and what is currently occurring:

- The Region is continuing to grow with housing and industrial development occurring
- Consideration is being given to possible water recycling for industrial use
- A permanent secure water supply is essential and efforts are continuing on this issue
- Housing will need to improve with double glazing, north facing, solar power etc
- Council together with the Aboriginal Lands Council and Crown Lands are seeking to find areas within the region for social housing
- Potential exist for multi storey housing within the CBD
- A University Campus is still being sought for the City
- Council has purchased the Flying College and is pursuing aeronautical opportunities
- Bonza Airline is still intending to come to the City
- Future flood proofing of new developments and infrastructure is essential
- 2300 housing allotments have been planned and will be developed on Werris Creek Road area
- Organic recycling of food and plant waste is still on the plan in order to help the longevity of the landfill garbage depot
- Workforce continues to be limited and the need for tradesmen is climbing
- Council would like to see a Cultural Arts Centre and a heated pool complex in the future
- Unfortunately, funding is difficult at the moment and priority issues are continuing to be debated

QUESTIONS:

The need for more Tradesmen is a current and continuing problem?

The Mayor indicated that Council is supporting schemes to improve Traineeships and also the Tafe training programs

What is occurring with the employment of Town Planners?

The Mayor stated that the Council is currently 6-8 Planners short which is delaying development approval across the board. This is not just a Tamworth problem but is State wide. He would like to see Trainee Planners be approved by the State so that they can be trained on the job.

Vote of thanks by Hannah Woods

Notes by Phil Lyon



Funny Corner

Bridges help people cross rivers

By MICHELLE DURIVEN

Have you ever wondered what Rivkilled would be like without bridges across the Rock River? How would we get from east to west? Perhaps you'd be an engineer, but not a very practical one.

Bridges have helped mankind traverse waterways, oceans and the like for hundreds and even thousands of years. And, throughout that time, bridges have evolved from a simple beam log across a narrow creek to highly complex roadways spanning miles of shallow waterways, such as the 24-mile-long Lake Pontchartrain Causeway near New Orleans, La.

To Do:

The next time your family visits Discovery Center Museum, try to find the two different arch bridges and one suspension bridge in Rock River Discovery Park. If you want to learn how engineers build bridges and buildings, you might want to participate in our upcoming Exploring Architecture Camp, from 9 a.m. to noon Wednesday, July 29, through Friday, July 31. Open to children ages 8 to 11, the camp will explore engineering and architecture with blocks,

straws and tubes. Call Discovery Center Museum at 903.46.1000 for admission fees and registration information.

To build your own bridge or building at home, you will need:

- Popsicle sticks

- Gum drops

By joining the popsicle sticks in to the gum drops, you can connect them together to create your own structure. How high can you make a tower reach? How long of a span can you give to a bridge?



Hospitals resort to hiring doctors

PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE PROMPTING MOVE, ADMINISTRATORS SAY

Federal Agents Raid Gun Shop, Find Weapons

Store Owner Arrested Previously

By Brian Barber
World Staff Writer

On July 2, undercover narcotics agents served a warrant at Char's home. Federal agents on Monday searched a south Tulsa gun shop owned by the man who officials allege had kept in his

in search of drugs. They found a stockpile of land mines, hand grenades, dynamite and other explosives.

When your adult kid comes to visit...



DAY 12 WITHOUT CHOCOLATE

Lost hearing in my left eye

Apparently there's a third option between burial and cremation.





REBELS MARKET

**20 YEARS AGO WE HAD
JOHNNY CASH, BOB HOPE
AND STEVE JOBS.
NOW WE HAVE NO CASH,
NO HOPE AND NO JOBS.
PLEASE DON'T LET
KEVIN BACON DIE.**

Buy & Sell Fashion for MisFits at RebelsMarket

Notices:

Click this Link to follow our Community Garden Project:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100086203336334>

Council are levelling the land and the fab Rob Betts will build our garden beds soon!!

The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light
invite you to their

ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

Multiple prizes!

Tamworth Golf Course
11.11.2022
Shot gun start 11:05am



\$40PP
LUNCH INCLUDED

Bookings via Tamworth Golf Pro Shop 6765 9980
*golf link number must be supplied

Enquiries: Vicki Cooper 0412 802 215

All funds raised go The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light to be distributed to local charities

Rotary Events Calendar	Date
Zone 8 Conference - Canberra	28 - 30 Oct 2022
District Showcase & AGM – Tamworth	26 – 27 Nov 2022
District Conference – Tamworth	24 – 26 Mar 2023
Rotary International Convention – Melbourne	27 – 31 May 2023 (register now)

Social Calendar	Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post Office Raffles Social Night • Lunch Social Walk 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3rd Friday of the Month • Mondays 12.30pm, Bi Park Gates
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paint & Sip • Annual Golf Charity Day • First Light Art Gala • Christmas Party 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8th October - RSVP now • 11th November • 19th November • 10th December

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

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

Member Portal Link: <https://www.dacdb.com/> (This one lets you find phone numbers for other members!!!)

President - Richard Hardwick	Secretary - Vicki Cooper
Treasurer - Dennis Maunder	Executive Secretary - Brodie Shields
Club Admin - Liz Gill	Membership - Louise Mathews
Public Relations - Peter Bell	Community Service - Steve Martin
Youth - Dimity Betts	Rotary Foundation - Steve Hawkins

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?

	12 th October	19 th October	26 th October
Topic	TRC Sustainability Plan	Youth Protection (District Requirements)	Hospital Vouchers for Travel & Accommodation
Location	Wests	Wests	Wests
Guest speaker	Ashley Smith	Bruce Hemmett & Steve Martin	Ruth Cramer
Sergeant	Malcolm Turnbull	Malcolm Turnbull	Malcolm Turnbull
Corporals (fortnightly)	Val Hellmann Brian Logan	Val Hellmann Brian Logan	Graham Dooley Terry Robinson
Meeter & Greeter	Phil Penman	Liz Gill	Michael Smith
Door Team	Steve Martin Laurence Hearne	Brodie Shields Steve Massey	John Rouvray Phil Lyon
President Assist	Terry Robinson	Bev Fletcher	Sue O'Connor
Visitor Assist	Mitch Soree	Tom Hellmann	Paul Stevenson
Welcome	Brian Thompson	Ian Howle	Nina Wrathall
Bulletin Notes & Introduction	Naomi Blakey	Anne Jacob	Glenn McIntosh
Vote of Thanks	John Rouvray	Phil Lyon	Louise Matthews

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

14 th October	21 st October	28 th October	4 th November
Glenn McIntosh Bev Fletcher	Bev Fletcher Peter Ryan	Peter Ryan Peter Bell	Peter Bell Barry Biffin

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS

Members Birthdays	Phil Lyon (14 Oct), Brett White (14 Oct) & Liz Gill (17 Oct)
Partners Birthdays	Nil
Anniversaries	Nil
Club Induction	Nil

Attendance	75%
Make-Ups	Nil
Visiting Rotarians	Jane Bradford (Honorary)
Visitors	Nil
Heads & Tails	Dennis Maunder
Raffle	Skinner

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