



**IMAGINE
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Club of Tamworth First Light

MEETING 1629 ISSUE 24 WEDNESDAY 30th Nov 2022



Rotary Year 2022 - 2023

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

Congratulations to our first prize raffle winner – Hannah Woods



Richard's Notes

Quote of the Week:

We Ukrainians are a peaceful nation. But if we remain silent today, we will be gone tomorrow.

Volodymyr Zelenskyy, President of Ukraine

Joke of the Week

I accidentally drank a bottle of invisible ink last week.

I spent 8 hours in emergency waiting to be seen.

Anyone would think that winter is still with us as our mornings have a cool and crisp start but as usual things warm up in the meeting with the usual sledging. I felt that the explanation on how to complete the Movie Night form was required but I am still left wondering if I had done enough.

Speaking of the Polio Movie Night on 1 Dec 2022 at the Forum 6 to see The Lost King. We need to finalise our numbers so if you would like to attend please let me know as soon as possible to secure tickets for the evening. You can pay for the tickets at next week's meeting or we can invoice you. The money raised from within our club will be sent to Rotary Foundation on our behalf.

A big thank you to Marina and Dimity for the co-ordination of the First Light Art Gala. It was a fantastic evening socialising and viewing the many creative projects that the members and families of the club complete. I am still amazed at all the hidden talent we have in our club and it was great to see many examples of this on display.

Our guest speaker was Mark Chapple who shared his recent experiences with providing host arrangements for a number of families fleeing war-torn Ukraine. It is a sad situation where for no reason a country is invaded and the innocent civilians are the ones most hurt with millions of Ukrainians being displaced across Europe. More on Mark's presentation below.

Announcements:

- **District 9660 Rotary Showcase**

Rotary Showcase will be on 26-27 November 2022 at West Leagues Club in Tamworth. Please check out the registration link in the latest "District Voice".

- **Polio Movie Night 1 Dec 2022 (7pm)**

Need to finalise numbers so I can organise the tickets. The funds from all tickets purchased by our club come back to the club. Please drop me an email if you missed the sheet going around at Breakfast and you would like to attend. Payment will be at next Wednesday's meeting, if you are not attending the meeting let us know and we will invoice you. Don't forget that the money raised contributes to the End Polio program.

- **First Light Christmas Party**

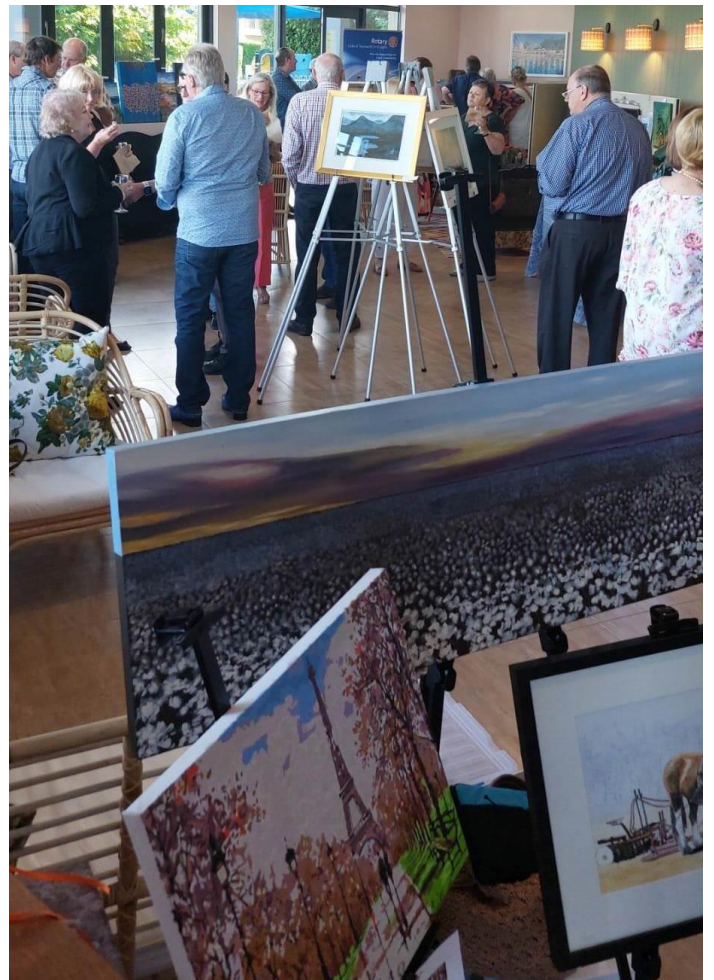
Don't forget to get the RSVP's in before Saturday 26 Nov 2022. The date is 10 Dec 2022 for of Christmas Lunch. Marina has sent an email for RSVP's so if you can join us it would be a great.

- **Recyclable Collections**

Reminder to get collecting and to donate funds through the Return and Earn Machines. A great way to raise community funds and let all your family and friends know about the opportunity. Runs from 17 Oct 22 to 23 Apr 23.

Rotary News

Photos from our Art Gala event. Thank you to everyone who donated items, sold raffle tickets, helped with set up, & came along. It really was a great night! We still have some wonderful artworks for sale. Keep your eye out for that on Facebook, or give Dimity or Marina a call.





Guest Speaker Notes – Mark Chapple

Mark spoke to us regarding his involvement with assisting Ukrainians to reach Australia. As you can imagine this process has been long and arduous and continues to fight uphill battles.

“To provide a "Brief" on our "Project" my wife Jenni and I have supported 8 Ukrainians into Australia, and numerous others who arrived here and needed advice / assistance / a pathway to establishing a stable life in Australia.

We see that Regional Living has a lot to offer - Jobs are aplenty, and the Lifestyle is certainly more affordable than our bigger cities such as Sydney and Melbourne. Our biggest obstacles have been language (for some) and lack of Accommodation in pretty much every regional town or city. It is a very real problem.

Below are Yurii and Inna, they are the first couple we supported to Australia on 25th March, only 28 days following the Russian Federation Invasion on Ukraine.

Rather than detail here what he spoke of, I have attached the pdf he has provided which shares their story.



Vote of thanks, Val
Hellmann

Funny Corner

Whoever came up with
the word dentures
really missed the
opportunity to call them
"substitooths"

Always one for keeping fit, Susie did
her regular pelvic floor exercises.



A lamb, a drum and a
snake all fell off a
cliff....

TODAY A MAN KNOCKED
ON MY DOOR AND ASKED
FOR A SMALL DONATION
TOWARDS THE LOCAL
SWIMMING POOL. I GAVE
HIM A GLASS OF WATER.

Ba Dum Tss

what did earth say to the other planets?

wow. you guys have no life.

oh my god



"This is a tough course."

Got up this morning
and ran around the
block 5 times. Then
I got tired, so I picked
up the block and put it
back in the toy box.

Crabby Road
Greatest Hits

9-13-11

*I don't iron. If I'm not
wrinkle-free, why should
my clothes be?*



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COLLECT YOUR 10C RECYCLABLES

DONATE TO FIRST LIGHT

via the Return and Earn Machines
Located in Calala, Robert St & Ten Tops
or drop them to Marina (ph 0403 759 148)

Donation period 17 Oct 22 - 23 Apr 23



| Rotary Events Calendar | Date |
|---|---------------------------------|
| District Showcase & AGM – Tamworth | 26 – 27 Nov 2022 |
| First Light AGM | 7 Dec 2022 |
| District Conference – Tamworth | 24 – 26 Mar 2023 |
| Rotary International Convention – Melbourne | 27 – 31 May 2023 (register now) |

| Social Calendar | Date |
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| <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"> • Polio Movie Night • Christmas Party | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st December, 7pm \$25 per ticket • 10th December – rsvp now |

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!!!)

| Board Members | |
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| 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?

| | 30 th November | 7 th December | 14 th December |
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| Topic | Australian Dental Association Past-President | AGM | Salvation Army (Salvo's Xmas Drive) |
| Location | Wests | Wests | Wests |
| Guest speaker | Michael Jonas | Richard Hardwick | Army Chaplain |
| Sergeant | Malcolm Turnbull | Malcolm Turnbull | Malcolm Turnbull |
| Corporals (fortnightly) | Hugh Raadgever Brett White | Barry Biffin Courtney Priestley | Barry Biffin Courtney Priestley |
| Meeter & Greeter | Izaak Ewin | Nina Wrathall | Alice Elsley |
| Door Team | Deb Barnes Brian Thompson | Bruce Hemmett Izaak Ewin | Steve Hawkins Peter Bell |
| President Assist | Hannah Woods | Louise Matthews | Izaak Ewin |
| Visitor Assist | John Rouvray | Terry Robinson | Bev Fletcher |
| Welcome | Louise Matthews | Glenn McIntosh | Steve Massey |
| Bulletin Notes & Introduction | Courtney Priestley | n/a | Brett White |
| Vote of Thanks | Peter Leonard | n/a | Ian Howle |

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

| 2 nd December | 9 th December | 16 th December | 23 rd December |
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| Izaak Ewin Deb Barnes | Deb Barnes Peter Leonard | Peter Leonard Val Hellmann | Marina Hearne & friends 😊 |

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS

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| Members Birthdays | Anne Jacob, 3 Dec |
| Partners Birthdays | Nil |
| Anniversaries | David & Helen Hinwood, Dec 5 (47 yrs) |
| Club Induction | Nil |
| Attendance | 69% |
| Make-Ups | Nil |
| Visiting Rotarians | Jane Bradford (Honorary) |
| Visitors | Aurette Quade |
| Heads & Tails | Dennis Maunder |
| Raffle | Skinner |

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