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Club of Tamworth First Light

**MEETING 1638    ISSUE 33    WEDNESDAY 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023**



### **Rotary Year 2022 - 2023**

<b>District Governor</b>	<b>Neville Parsons</b>
<b>President:</b>	<b>Richard Hardwick</b>
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Vicki Cooper</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Dennis Maunder</b>



Welcome to our newest member, Charlotte Moore who has transferred from Young Leaders.

That now makes about 8 past RYLarians in our club!!

# Richard's Notes

## Quote of the Week:

"I know not with what weapons World War III will be fought, but World War IV will be fought with sticks and stones."

Albert Einstein

## Joke of the Week

I went to the doctors recently, and she said:

"Don't eat anything fatty."

I said: "What like burgers and chips?"

She said: "No fatty, just don't eat anything."

This year seems to be on roller skates as we hit halfway through February and it made me wonder if we even had a January this year. Another great meeting with the usual sledging from the cheap seats at the back and a taste of next year with President Elect Brian taking over the floor with a 5 minute welcome that incorporated many jokes of low quality...it is not looking like the level of humour is going to increase for another year.

We took the opportunity to induct Charlotte Moore, who has transferred from the Young Leaders Club after relocating to Tamworth. Charlotte was introduced by our very own RYLA Mum, Louise and we cannot think of any better club for you to continue your Rotary journey with. Please take the opportunity to introduce yourselves and make Charlotte feel very welcome.

Our Guest Speaker for the week was one of our newest members Izaak Ewin with his personal profile and his recent experiences volunteering in Fiji. I am always amazed with the experiences our members have encountered over their lives and Izaak's profile did not disappoint. It seems from helping out in the Pacific Islands to epic backpacking trips, Izaak has a spontaneous nature and a positive attitude. Read more below.

## Announcements:

- **Meeting – 15 Feb 2023 – Special Resolution**

Our meeting on 15 Feb will have a quick meeting to endorse the changes to the RI Constitution and Club Bylaws. Documents have been sent out last Wednesday but if you have not received them, please let me know via email and we will get a copy to you before the meeting.

- **District Conference, Tamworth 24 – 26 Mar 2023**

The Conference Committee are still looking for Rotarians to register for the District Conference being held in March at Tamworth. If you have not yet registered, please have a look at the website and have a look at what will be happening over the weekend.

- **MHERV Van, Tamworth 25 – 26 Mar 2023**

The MHERV Van will be back in Tamworth over the weekend of the District Conference, and it will be set up outside of the TRECC on the Saturday and Sunday. There has been a request for volunteers to assist the Nurse with running this program. If you have an hour or two to spare over the weekend let me know. I will have a sheet over the next few weeks.

- **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

Request for hosts!

What better way to get to know Rotarians from other clubs than to host!!!

To assist with accommodation costs, District are asking if any Tamworth locals have the ability to host Rotarians for the District Conference 24-26 March. If you are able to, please contact Deb Barnes [deb07b@me.com](mailto:deb07b@me.com) or 0411 770 552. Thank you.

**Congratulations** to Chris and Gemma Watson on the arrival of their 4<sup>th</sup> baby. Wishing you all best and lots of sleep!

 Rotary Club of Narrabri  
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🟡 INSPIRING CHANGE MAKERS 🟡

Just 2 hours of his time each week, over a 20 week period, was what local RAISE mentor, Michael McGregor said made a big difference not just for a young student, but to his life too. Michael is a local RAISE mentor who, along with much loved RAISE coordinator, Jess Barraket spoke with our Club last week about this grass roots mentor program that makes a profound difference in young people's lives.

1 in 4 young people say they feel lonely some or all of the time. It's a hard fact to hear, but local people like Michael who give just 2 hours a week of their time during Terms 2 and 3 are working to change this.

Would you be one of our local mentor heros? Training is provided. Mentors needed in Narrabri and Wee Waa. You just need to have empathy and be a good listener. The program can't run without mentors. Interested? Go to <https://raise.org.au/volunteers/how-to-become-a-mentor/> Wee Waa High School Narrabri High School Raise Foundation Rotary Club of Narrabri #DylanSmith #julieherbert #jessicabarraket



# Guest Speaker – Izaak Ewin

Hannah Woods

Izaak was born in Dubbo in 1999 and was the son of two teachers, with his parents teaching art and science. He had an outdoorsy childhood, spending a lot of his younger years adventuring a family friends farm in Forbes until he and his family moved to Tamworth on Izaak's 10th birthday.

Following their move, Izaak's sister was diagnosed with BPD and due to this, the family spent a number of years with lots of hospital visits and trips to Sydney.

Izaak told us about his high school years at Carinya where his love of the outdoors was really ignited through programs such as the Duke of Ed program.

Izaak also joined the Tamworth Army cadets in high school. Izaak moved to Farrer in year 11 as a boarder, and told us all a tale of his first moments boarding with other students bringing possums into the dorms. Part way through year 11, Izaak decided that school wasn't the right fit for him and headed off to his first job "man power" a labour job planting trees with the local council and DPI. From here, Izaak started an electrical apprenticeship which he soon worked out wasn't for him before settling into a job at Wests Leagues, the place he has his first exposure to rotary.

Izaak told us of the his decision to go travelling with friends, making it all the way to Bundaberg, before he met a friend in Byron and headed off to Sydney to live. Izaak told us tales of living in Sydney and what an impact living in Newtown had on him, with Izaak noting that it was confronting compared to where he grew up.

At the start of Covid, Izaak made the dash home from Sydney and upon returning sought out his job back at Wests. After heading back into the functions team, Izaak was later promoted to team lead. It was during his time working at Wests that our very own Louise spotted him and informed Izzak that he would be attending RYLA, a program that Izaak stated was the firecracker he needed to work out what he was doing in the future.

Izaak brought us up to life now, explaining that he has completed his pathways to university and has undertaken a new job as an SLSO (teachers aid) at Tamworth High School, a job he very much loves!

Izzak then told us all of his tales from his recent volunteering trip to Fiji where he really lived out Rotary's value of service above self. Izzak coined his time with a lot of learning and developing his understanding of others around the world noting that "over there they have so little but are so grateful for what they have".

Throughout his talk, Izaak showed what a resilient person he is and how he takes on anything that is thrown his way with a "why not, let's give it a go" attitude!!

**Notes by Hannah Woods**

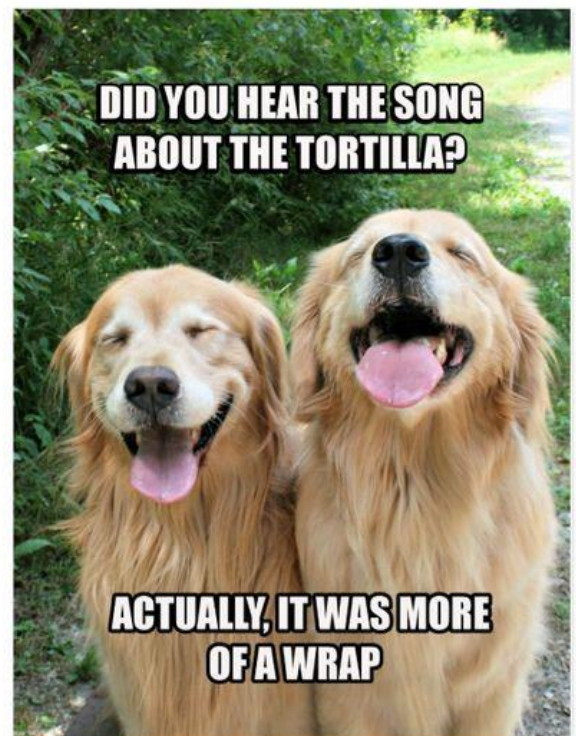
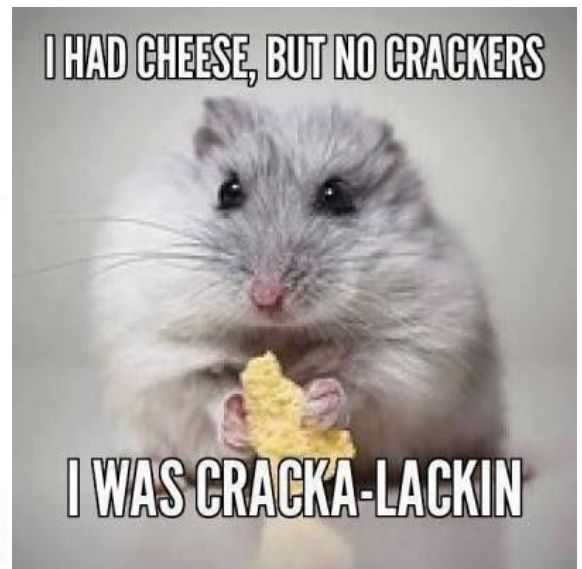
**Vote of Thanks, Mitch Soree**





# Funny Corner

I didn't actually need bread, but the only other items in my cart were a toaster and bath plug. I didn't want the cashier to worry.





**Knock, knock.**

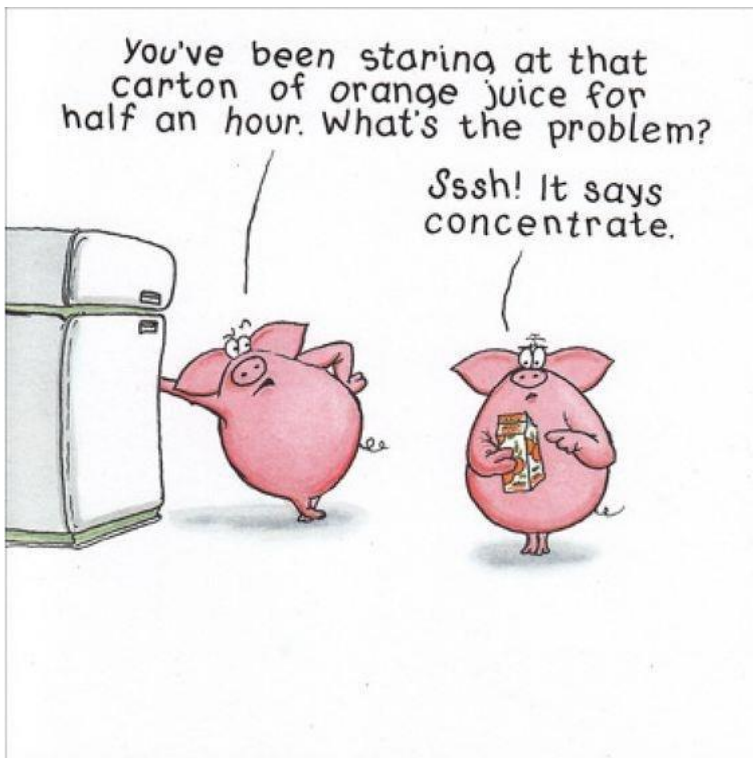
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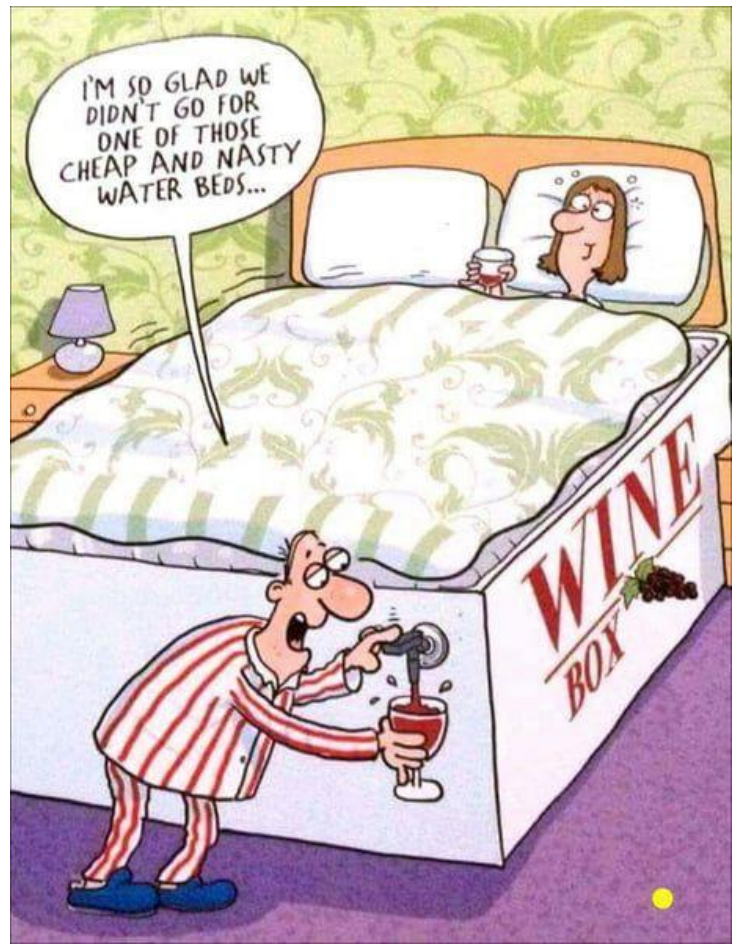
**Broken Pencil.**

**Broken Pencil who?**

**Never mind, it's pointless.**

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## Rostered Duties and Definitions

### **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 6.30 am**

### **DOOR TEAM**

To record the attendance of our members and guests, collect meeting dues, and if possible balance the cash float i.e. monies paid = money received.

**Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am**

### **MEETER & GREETER**

To meet and greet our members & welcome guests to our Club 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 welcome.

**Need to be in attendance at 6.30 am**

### **VISITOR ASSIST**

To ensure any visitors to the Club are felt welcome by introducing yourself to them and other members and guests of our Club. Try to ensure they are introduced to the President prior to sitting as well. To also include them in fellowship before and if necessary make sure they are included with several members for breakfast and are never left on their own.

**Need to be in attendance from 6.30 am**

### **WELCOME**

To publicly welcome our Members and Guests (following the introduction) to our meeting when called upon by the President or their substitute.

**Need to be in attendance by 6.50 am (or earlier)**

### **INTRODUCTION**

To make yourself known to our Guest Speaker/s, assist them to the head table and sit with them. During breakfast find out some information about the guest speaker which will assist you in your introduction.

### **NOTE TAKER**

It is your job to make notes on the meeting to assist the Bulletin editor. Guest speakers usually have written notes of their talk, so try to get them before they disappear.

### **VOTE OF THANKS**

To move a vote of thanks to our guest speaker, and present a little thank you gift which can be found in our cabinet left of the stage. Ensure you have it before the meeting commences and take notes during their presentation to ensure your thank you is informed.

### **CORPORALS**

To assist the Sergeant by setting up the room, collecting fine money, and putting our property away at the conclusion of the meeting.

**Need to be in attendance by 6:30 am.**

### **CORPORAL ASSIST**

To assist the Sergeant, by putting away all Club Property at the conclusion of the meeting if the Corporals are unable to do so.

Rotary Events Calendar	Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ District Conference – Tamworth</li> <li>▪ Science &amp; Engineering Challenge</li> <li>▪ Rotary International Convention – Melbourne</li> <li>▪ First Light Changeover</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 24 – 26 Mar 2023</li> <li>▪ 29 March – 4 days</li> <li>▪ 27 – 31 May 2023 (register now)</li> <li>▪ June 2023</li> </ul>

Social Calendar	Date
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Post Office Raffles Social Night</li> <li>• Jamaica Blue Coffee</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month</li> <li>• Wednesdays, 8:15am</li> </ul>

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!!!)

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

	15 <sup>th</sup> February	22 <sup>nd</sup> February	1 <sup>st</sup> March
<b>Topic</b>	<b>Carbon Farming Credits</b>	<b>Calrossy Snr School &amp; US Golf pro</b>	<b>Personal Profile</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Wests</b>	<b>TBC</b>	<b>Wests</b>
<b>Guest speaker</b>	Norman Marshall	Julia Boland	Nina Wrathall
<b>Sergeant</b>	Mal Turnbull	Mal Turnbull	Mal Turnbull
<b>Corporals (fortnightly)</b>	Peter Ryan Helen Tickle	Peter Ryan Helen Tickle	Bev Fletcher Luke Massey
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>	Sue O'Connor	Naomi Blakey	Louise Matthews
<b>Door Team</b>	Barry Biffin Luke Massey	Bruce Hemmett Mitch Soree	Val Hellmann Hugh Raadgever
<b>President Assist</b>	Laurence Heame	Steve Martin	Phil Lyon
<b>Visitor Assist</b>	Val Hellmann	Louise Matthews	Deb Barnes
<b>Welcome</b>	Brian Logan	Hannah Woods	John Treloar
<b>Bulletin Notes &amp; Introduction</b>	Izaak Ewin	Phil Penman	Alice Elsley
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	Bev Fletcher	Brett White	Bruce Hemmett

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

17 <sup>th</sup> February	24 <sup>th</sup> February	3 <sup>rd</sup> March	10 <sup>th</sup> March
Stephen Massey Sue O'Connor	Sue O'Connor Peter Johnston	Peter Johnston James Treloar	James Treloar John Treloar

**BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS**

<b>Members Birthdays</b>	Nina Wrathall, 19 Feb
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	Nil
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Brett & Trudy White, 18 Feb (39 years)
<b>Club Induction</b>	Nil

<b>Attendance</b>	80%
<b>Make-Ups</b>	Nil
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Jane Bradford (Honorary)
<b>Visitors</b>	Aurelie Quade
<b>Heads &amp; Tails</b>	-
<b>Raffle</b>	Skinner