



**Rotary**   
Club of Tamworth First Light  
**MEETING 1666, ISSUE 11**  
**WEDNESDAY 30<sup>th</sup> August 2023**



### Rotary Year 2023 - 2024

<b>District Governor</b>	<b>VG, PDG Lorraine Coffey</b>
<b>President:</b>	<b>Brian Logan</b>
<b>Secretary:</b>	<b>Liz Gill</b>
<b>Treasurer:</b>	<b>Dennis Maunder</b>

# The Life of Brian

## Quote of the week

You don't need a parachute to go skydiving. You only need a parachute if you want to go skydiving twice.

## Joke of the week

My brother has taken going to jail very badly. He is refusing food and water, spitting and swearing at anyone that comes near. I said to him that I'll never play monopoly with him ever again.

## Notices:

Regionalisation Pilot – community groups webinars via zoom meetings. Sessions will be held

- Tuesday 29 August at 1pm
- Wednesday 30 August at 6:30pm
- Saturday 02 September at 10am

Rotary Citation – A congratulations e-mail from PDG Neville Parsons to our PP Richard Hardwick and team on achieving a Rotary Citation for their efforts in delivering club goals and objectives during the 2022 – 2023 year.

Community Gardens and Community week Sunday 17th September in Victoria Park. For info, please contact Naomi Blakey.

Rotary's Regional Council Elections. EOIs for individual applicants must be in by 4 September 2023 at 12 pm AEST.

Guest Speaker

Lily Parsons – Australian Women's Youth Futsal Team (and Soccer)

What a great talk this morning. Lily surprised so many of us with her goal of chasing a Guernsey in the Women's Australian Soccer team, both indoor and outdoor varieties. More to her story to follow.

# Announcements:

A word from Naomi on the Tamworth Community Garden project



# Victoria Park OPEN DAY

**Sunday 17 September 2023  
at Victoria Park from 10am to 2pm**

- Astronomy Club displays
- Tamworth Regional Botanic Garden
- Australian Plant Society native plant sale
- Tamworth Community Garden Group
- Family picnic facilities
- Adventure Playground - Marsupial Park
- Men's Shed guided tours
- Long Gully Keeping Place - Aboriginal Artifacts
- Miniature railway rides and Locomotive Cafe

For further information please contact:

Tamworth Regional Council on 02 6767 5555

Fun for  
the whole  
family. Don't  
miss it!



Victoria Park is situated at the top end of Piper Street and is the home of the Tamworth Regional Botanic Garden, Miniature Railway, Men's Shed, Tamworth Regional Astronomy Club, Threatened Species Group, Tamworth Community Garden Group and the Marsupial Park

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## ADVENTURES WITH MACIEJ:

Maciej is on the lookout for a wide range of experiences whilst he is living in Australia.

At the moment, Maciej has a few dates available if any members have anything planned that he might be interested in.

The dates are:

- School holiday weekdays 22.09.2023-08.10.2023.
- weekend of the 23rd of September
- weekend of the 21st of October

Check with Maciej and Naomi if you have anything on that you think Maciej may enjoy :)



## BEV HAS BEEN ON THE GREEN

Tuesday Vets this week was a very early start for the team- 7.52 am! As I had already done a couple fairways at 6am with the hounds, I was bright eyed and bushy tailed eagerly awaiting for the game to begin.

It was the back nine that saw the play unfold today much to my relief as I have not fared well on the front 9 over the past weeks, unlike our Vicki who scored a very respectable 19 there last week!

The game started without incident, Pete hit a respectful "T Off Shot" straight down the middle, a good start we all agreed. His shot onto the green was outstanding! Straight into a tree trunk on the off side of the green ricocheting the ball to within a nice distance of the hole. Well done again Pete. Vicki scored well on this fairway while not so good for me- my game was not going as expected! So much so, I have to own up to blaspheming on the putting green 😡 Valium was distributed to the team, and with that I was allowed to continue.

I must add that all golfers have their moments. Our Pete has been often heard to use the term "Bother!" (Vicki has been assigned to keep a close listening ear on him in case his terminology escalates) should that be the case she will update us immediately.

Again, our fourth player was Wayne Turner, who, being an excellent golfer often gives us handy tips throughout the game. My handy tip clocked in on the 18th fairway- better late than never. I finished the day with slashed wrists and won the wooden spoon by being bottom of the whole competition with a score of 6 🤯

Pete who spent quite a bit of time in the trees and a couple of dips into the dam came away with a respectable score of 13 🙌🙌🙌

Vicki stole the day with another good finishing score of 19 🏆

The benefits of this game is camaraderie, lots of laughs along with a positive, healthy activity that we would recommend to anyone wanting to give it a go. A good sense of humour also goes a long way!

Until next week, we will back with more "From The Green"

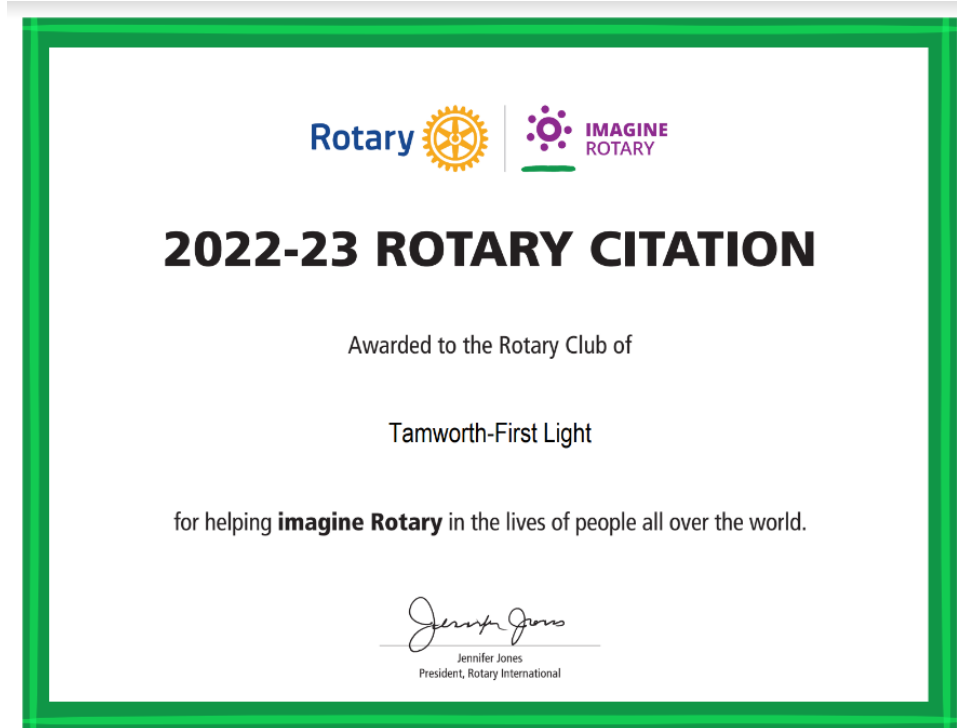
-Bev Fletcher



# Rotary News:

## RCTFL IS RECOGNISED FOR THE 2022-23 YEAR

Our club has earned a Rotary Citation for membership development- the most significant award a Rotary club can achieve, for 2022-23. Last Rotary year, our club demonstrated a commitment to achieve its goals, which ultimately helped to strengthen Rotary and shape our future.





## GUEST SPEAKER- LILY PARSONS

Lily spoke to us about her accomplished career as an Australian junior futsal rep.

Lily holds down three casual jobs and is completing her HSC while representing Australia in Futsol as well as play rep soccer.

Lily started playing soccer at age 6 and grew up playing local women's soccer and division 3 men's soccer.

Lily has played for NSW girls rep side in northern NSW traveling many hours to attend training which did allow many hours behind the wheel Aiding with the hours need to get a driving licence. She already owns her own car and now travels to tournaments on her own.

Lily attend a futsol completion in Malaysia in The Australian futsol team and was not only the on women on the Aussie team but the only women out of 182 players. She found this a little daunting as most of the spectators and players were initially laughing but after watch her play the changed their minds.

Lily found the culture and food very interesting as it was hers and her mums first trip out of Australia. She played in the striker role and scored 2 goals during the tournament.

Unfortunately covid put a damper on making the junior Matilda's team and she now hopes to make it to the higher honours of being a Matilda by going through the university teams.

After Malaysia she went to Las Vegas she was now 18 but realised that to drink and go into a casino in Vegas you have to be 21. She did though find the main drag very interesting with all the different shows and buildings. The games were played in 36 to 47 degree heat and this was quite difficult.

She hopes to get a atar to attend university and study sports Science.

Still with the dream to one day make it to the Matilda's

-Report by Steve Martin. Lily was thanked by Naomi Blakey.

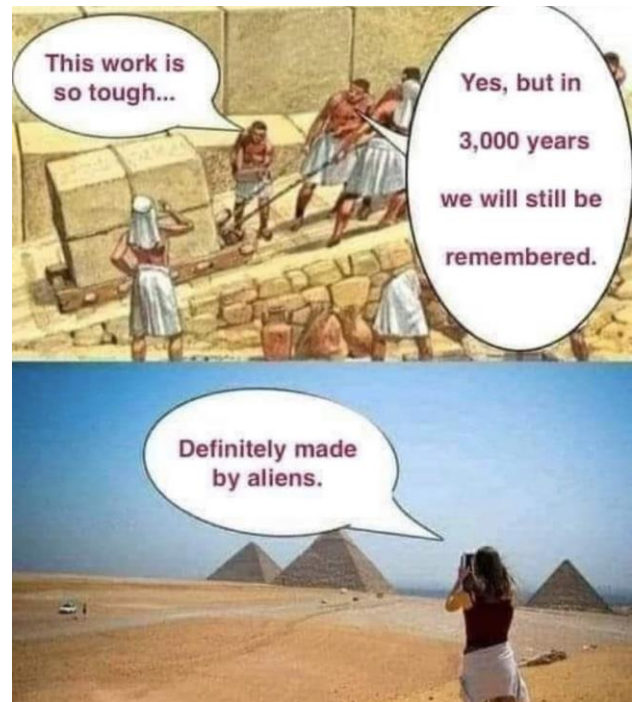


# FUNNY CORNER

You either get it, or you don't.

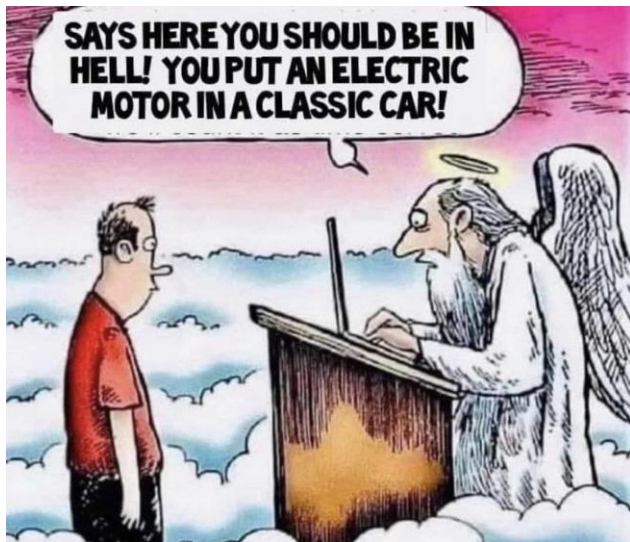


I am trying to convince my dad to get a new hearing aid.  
But he just won't listen.



What did the drummer name his twin daughters?

Anna1  
Anna2.







*"You have fits of rage, followed by temporary spells of euphoria, all within several hours. Are you, by chance, a golfer?"*





When the cake recipe says put one whole egg in it





Rotary Events Calendar	Date
▪ Photo shoot with our Tree planting project	▪ TBA – See Alice or Peter R
▪ Victoria park / Community Garden open day	▪ 17 <sup>th</sup> September
▪ Public Speaking – Area 6 Final at Quirindi	▪ 27th August 2023

Social Calendar	Date
• Post Office Raffles Social Night	• 3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month (15.09.2023)

Useful links (click to open!)	
 • <a href="#">Tamworth First Light Website</a>	 • <a href="#">RCTFL Facebook page</a>
 • <a href="#">District 9660 Website</a>	 • <a href="#">Rotary District 9660 Members Page</a>
 • <a href="#">Rotary International Website</a>	 • <a href="#">Rotary District 9660 Public Facebook</a>
 • <a href="#">DACDB Member and Club Portal</a>	

Board Members 2023-24	
<b>President</b> – Brian Logan	<b>Secretary</b> – Liz Gill
<b>Treasurer</b> – Dennis Maunder	<b>Executive Secretary</b> – Brodie Shields
<b>Club Admin</b> – Courtney Priestley	<b>Membership</b> – Bev Fletcher
<b>Public Relations</b> – Alice Elsley	<b>Community Service</b> – Peter Johnston
<b>Youth</b> – Hannah Woods	<b>Rotary Foundation</b> – Bruce Hemmett
<b>Youth Protection</b> – Bruce Hemmett	<b>President Elect</b> – Sue O’Connor
<b>Board Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month</b> - Tuesday 12.09.2023, 5.30pm, Wests.	

	30 <sup>th</sup> August	6 <sup>th</sup> September	13 <sup>th</sup> September	20 <sup>th</sup> September
<b>Topic</b>	Youth Insearch	National Landcare Week	Site Visit-Community Gardens	TBA
<b>Location</b>	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Victoria St	Tamworth City Bowling Club
<b>Guest speaker</b>	Leigh Foord	Ninna Douglas	Naomi Blakey	TBA
<b>Sergeant</b>	*Glenn McIntosh	Mitch Soree		Mitch Soree
<b>Corporals</b>	Peter Ryan Dimity Betts	Malcolm Turnbull Glenn McIntosh		Vicki Cooper Bev Fletcher
<b>Meeter &amp; Greeter</b>	Hugh Raadgever	Aurelie Quade		Louise Matthews
<b>Door Team</b>	Alice Elsley Aurelie Quade	Courtney Priestley Peter Ryan	Richard Hardwick Bev Fletcher	Malcolm Turnbull Richard Hardwick
<b>President Assist</b>	Hannah Woods	Hugh Raadgever	Malcolm Turnbull	Laurence Heame
<b>Visitor Assist</b>	Brian Thompson	Michael Smith		Brodie Shields
<b>Welcome</b>	Courtney Priestley	Marina Heame		James Treloar
<b>Bulletin Notes &amp; Introduction</b>	Peter Leonard	Peter Bell	Hannah Woods	Peter Bell
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	Sue O'Connor	Brian Thompson	Helen Tickle	Courtney Priestley
*Denotes a change. Roster roles are randomly assigned. If you cannot commit to a rostered duty for your club, please speak to your fellow Rotarians to arrange a replacement and let Mitch know for the next bulletin instalment.				

POST OFFICE RAFFLE – FRIDAYS - 6:00 – 7:00PM				
1 <sup>st</sup> September	8 <sup>th</sup> September	15 <sup>th</sup> September	22 <sup>nd</sup> September	29 <sup>th</sup> September
Peter Johnston Steve Martin	Steve Martin Peter Bell	Peter Bell Terry Robinson	Terry Robinson Louise Matthews	Louise Matthews Michael Smith
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS				
<b>Members Birthdays</b>	James Treloar 4/9			
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	Nil			
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Nil			
<b>Club Induction</b>	Dennis Maunder 33yrs			
<b>Attendance</b>	65%	<b>Lolly Jar Raffle</b>		David Hinwood
<b>Make-Ups</b>	Nil	<b>Heads and Tails</b>		Marina Heame
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Jane Bradford (Honorary)			
<b>Visitors</b>	Maciej Wolanski (Youth Exchange Student), Matt Quade			