



Rotary



Club of Tamworth First Light

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WEDNESDAY 4th October 2023



Rotary Year 2023 - 2024

District Governor

VG, PDG Lorraine Coffey

President:

Brian Logan

Secretary:

Liz Gill

Treasurer:

Dennis Maunder

The Life of Brian

Quote of the week

"Birds don't learn how to fly. They just wing it."

Joke of the week

Martin Rae gave us part 2 of his talk this time focusing on NIAS and where he would like to see it going in the future. Martin made obvious his passion to train, mentor and support the young 'up and coming' players of the future as well as setting new standards and goals for further development and administration of soccer in our community.

Notices:

Please 'keep an eye' on information coming through the Rotary mail service regarding the regionalisation pilot. Clubs will soon be asked to consider participating in district Rotary Community Groups (RCG).

'MAGIC' MACIEJ SETS FORSTER ON FIRE!

Magic found himself in Forster last weekend, joining a trip with Peter Ryan and his family. It sure does look like a good range of activities to keep the Australian youth exchange experience alive. Surely something to write home about.

After Maciej's mid-week fuel of pink unicorn donuts with Peter Johnston, Magic headed to the coast for a weekend of activities including surfing, swimming, body surfing, jetski riding... to name a few.

Sporting a brand new suntan, Magic is back in Tamworth for the school holidays.



David Hasselhoff called- he's looking for his life preserver back.



GUEST SPEAKER- MARTIN RAE - NORTHERN INLAND ACADEMY OF SPORT (NIAS) V2.0

Coach Martin was back again, doing his best impersonation of the coach from Guy Ritchie's 2019 film, *The Gentlemen*. The resemblance is uncanny. Oh, and he was also talking to us about training our regional kids in the world game- Football.

Martin has now been in Australia 22 weeks, and has hit the ground running in his role with the Northern Inland Academy of Sport (NIAS). A bit of a change from Scotland, I bet.

The NIAS program coaches kids from 8-15yrs from a Skills Acquisition phase program through to a junior development league, and up to regional and state competition circuit. There are 200 kids in the program taking part in local games, gala days, and Saturday play, with additional requirements of bi-weekly training, 2-3 coaching sessions per week, along with all the other great things team sport can bring to the kids. Things such as time management, public speaking, social skills, life skills, good exercise, and discipline etc.

Martin likens his role as coach to that of a educator, social worker, parent liaison, psychologist, and mediator between the NIAS and the federation administration functions of the sport.

Martin notes key differences in Australian football (Soccer) and the Scottish system being the bottom up fundint that Australian football has- meaning that there is little support from the federation in helping to fund the progression of sportspeople at a grass roots level. There is also a lack of an 'exit strategy' for players who progress through the ranks, but don't make the cut for the premier teams...

Overall Martin believes that "there is so much opportunity showing in the children of our region" and looks to develop our athletes through his role.



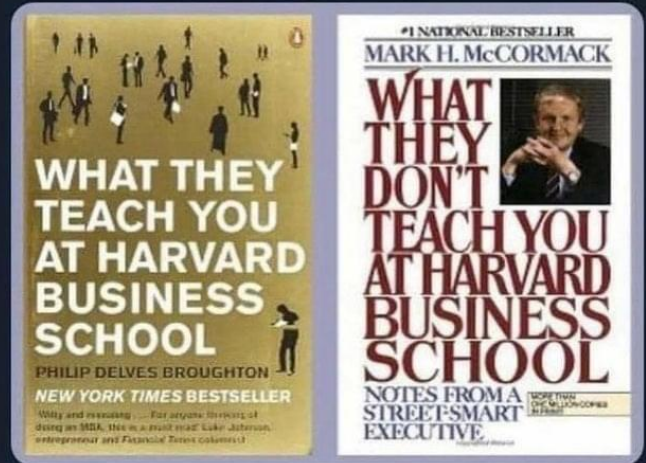
FUNNY CORNER- BOOKS AND READING EDITION!

When you see your Goosebumps books for \$0.25 in your parents' garage sale



James Kirkpatrick
@James_kpatrick

These two books contain the sum total of all human knowledge



She was born to be an author

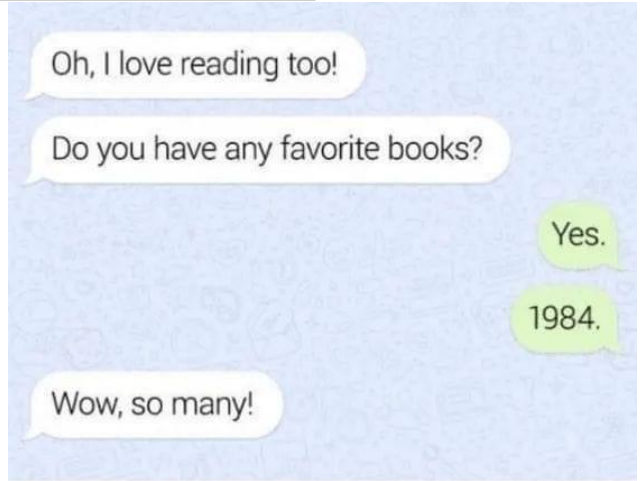


Me to any random scrap of paper when I've lost my bookmark again





Me reaching the end of the page but realizing I was daydreaming and didn't actually read it



Oh, I love reading too!

Do you have any favorite books?

Yes.

1984.

Wow, so many!



shen the bird

@Shen_the_Bird

boss: what is the problem








coworker: [pointing to me] that guy stole my thesaurus

me: he peddles falsehoods



Rotary Events Calendar	Date
▪ Photo shoot with our Tree planting project	▪ TBA – See Alice or Peter R
▪	▪
▪	▪

Social Calendar	Date
• Post Office Raffles Social Night	• 3 rd Friday of the Month (20.10.2023)

Useful links (click to open!)	
 • Tamworth First Light Website	 • RCTFL Facebook page
 • District 9660 Website	 • Rotary District 9660 Members Page
 • Rotary International Website	 • Rotary District 9660 Public Facebook
 • DACDB Member and Club Portal	

Board Members 2023-24	
President – Brian Logan	Secretary – Liz Gill
Treasurer – Dennis Maunder	Executive Secretary – Brodie Shields
Club Admin – Courtney Priestley	Membership – Bev Fletcher
Public Relations – Alice Elsley	Community Service – Peter Johnston
Youth – Hannah Woods	Rotary Foundation – Bruce Hemmett
Youth Protection – Bruce Hemmett	President Elect – Sue O’Connor
Board Meeting 2nd Tuesday of the Month - Tuesday 10.10.2023, 5.30pm, Wests.	

	4 th October	11 th October	18 th October	25 th October
Topic	Tamworth Dramatic Society	Westpac Rescue Helicopter	Tamworth Conservatorium of Music	Adult Literacy
Location	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Tamworth City Bowling Club
Guest speaker	Ellie Sampson	Dan Gillett	Noelene Bosworth	Kellie Makepeace, Lisa Rennie
Sergeant	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree
Corporals	Hannah Woods James Treloar	Naomi Blakey Bruce Hemmett	Peter Ryan Marina Heame	Richard Hardwick Peter Bell
Meeter & Greeter	Deb Barnes	Aurelie Quade	Richard Walker	Alice Elsley
Door Team	Glenn McIntosh Barry Biffin	Peter Leonard Steve Martin	Peter Bell Paul Stevenson	Naomi Blakey Stephen Hawkins
President Assist	Mal Turmbull	Hannah Woods	Barry Biffin	Peter Johnston
Visitor Assist	Helen Tickle	Peter Johnston	Sue O'Connor	John Rouvray
Welcome	Peter Johnston	Peter Ryan	Bev Fletcher	Peter Leonard
Bulletin Notes & Introduction	John Rouvray	James Treloar	Michael Smith	John Treloar
Vote of Thanks	Bev Fletcher	Bev Fletcher	Vicki Cooper	Helen Tickle
*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				
6 th October	13 th October	20 th October	27 th October	3 rd November
Paul Stevenson Naomi Blakey	Naomi Blakey Brian Thompson	Brian Thompson Alice Elsley	Alice Elsley Brett White	Brett White Marina Hearne
BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS				
Members Birthdays	John Treloar 6/10			
Partners Birthdays	Susan Raadgever 7/10			
Anniversaries	Barry Biffin 44yrs			
Club Induction	Peter Bell 17yrs, Alan Coates 1yr, Michael Smith 17yrs			
Attendance	65%	Lolly Jar Raffle	Nil	
Make-Ups	Nil	Heads and Tails	Laurence Heame	
Visiting Rotarians	Nil			
Visitors	Maciej "Magic Mike" Wolanski (Youth Exchange Student), Diana Peterson			