




Rotary 
Club of Tamworth First Light
MEETING 1691, ISSUE 36
WEDNESDAY 6th March 2024



Rotary Year 2023 - 2024

District Governor	Alyn Miranda
President:	Brian Logan
Secretary:	Liz Gill
Treasurer:	Dennis Maunder

The Life of Brian

Quote of the week

There is nothing permanent except change. – Heraclitus

Joke of the week

Neil Diamond's real name was Neil Coal. But pressure was put on him to change his name.

I went to the blood bank last week but all they did was ask stupid questions like Who's blood is it and why is it in a bucket? I'm not donating anymore.

Guest speaker

With no guest speaker, a trivia morning was organised to get the brains working and ready for the day. As it was a topic of conversation at the after meeting coffee get together, I think it worked.

Notices:

- On behalf of Naomi Blakey, Mitch Soree reminded everyone of the 'clean up Australia' day this Sunday.
- Bruce Hemmett thanked all those that attended the 'Polio' movie night for their support.
- Glenn McIntosh gave an update on the Science and Engineers Challenge 18th to 22nd March. The dinner Wednesday night will replace the breakfast meeting.
- Helen Tickle gave us a 'talk' on Tamworth Council Tree Planting plans. It makes for interesting reading.

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE - 18-22 MARCH. VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! DINNER INVITE!

We need Volunteers to assist with the running of activities!

Can you please consider putting aside a few hours for this cause between 19-22 March.

The hours are 9.30am to 2.30pm or a half day if preferred.

Please see the attached flyer for more details.

This is a massively fun worthwhile annual activity for our club, bringing a lot of joy and education to our children.

It's aim and your involvement will inspire and generate interest and possibly a career in STEM, science technology engineering and mathematics.

Please contact for your expression of interest to assist on any of the day(s).

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Glenn McIntosh

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S&E DINNER- REPLACING WEDNESDAY AM MEETING.

Science & Engineering

DINNER

WEDNESDAY

20TH MARCH

7pm at Gregory's on Goonoo Goonoo

\$45pp

RSVP to Courtney 0488 621 339

The flyer is blue with white text and icons. It features a lightbulb icon above the title, a gear icon to the right, and a molecular structure icon to the left. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold and regular fonts. The background is decorated with various scientific and engineering symbols like gears, a circuit board, and a molecular model.



Please join the University of Newcastle and the Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light for the...

Science and Engineering Challenge 2024



MARCH 19TH - MARCH 22ND





The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light joins the University of Newcastle in coordinating the 2024 Science and Engineering Challenge. The Challenge runs yearly and sees students from schools across the region compete in a variety of tasks showcasing their scientific minds.

This year the Challenge will be run from the 18th to the 22nd March, 9:30am to 2:30pm, at the Tamworth Regional Entertainment and Conference Centre.



See students compete in this years tasks;

Earthquake	Design and refine 2 towers to withstand sideways motion as much as possible in a simulated earthquake.	It's A Trap!	Use 3D printed rocks to setup collection points for various sizes of "fish", represented by marbles.
Carnival Creator	Students will solve a series of scheduling problems based on real life scenarios by arranging coloured tiles into lanes on a board: the Scheduler X1000.	Gust Busters	Students construct fan blades using basic materials to catch wind provided by an electric fan.
Launch It!	Build a model glider to be launched using the Y.E.E.T (YOLO Electronic Ejection Technique)	Light Comms	Create functional codes to accurately and efficiently send secret messages using pulses of coloured light.
Electropolis	The power is in your hands, the task is to provide the lowest-cost electricity to the city's infrastructure.	Get Over It	Design and construct model bridges to support a trolley carrying 'gold' ingots across a gap in the tracks.



All are welcome to come along to the event. We would not be able to run these events for our local students without the generous help of our volunteers.

If you would like to donate your time at the event please contact Courtney on [0488621339](tel:0488621339).

Please specify if you have a particular task you would prefer to oversee. All training will be provided on the day and a gourmet lunch is available for all volunteers.

TAMWORTH CBD TREE PLANTING

Member Helen Tickle informed the club of a \$500,000 federal government grant to TRC allowing the planting of multiple trees along Brisbane and White Streets, helping to align with, and build upon the long standing Rotary tree planting projects we have commended around town, separately.

The council initiative is aligned with their [Urban Tree Management Plan](#)

This project is due to commence in March.



CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY- THIS SUNDAY!!!

Clean up Australia day is on Sunday March 3rd. RCTFL will be doing our annual clean along the Paradise Park area behind Hungry Jacks and will meet in the carpark for a 0830hrs commencement time.

See you there!



RYLA

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District 9660



SAT 1st - SAT 8th JUNE 2024
YARRA ADVENTURE PARK, STUARTS POINT NSW



DISCOVER

WAYS TO BECOME A BETTER
ROLE MODEL AND FACE
IMPORTANT PERSONAL, WORK
AND SOCIAL ISSUES



EXCHANGE

IDEAS AND OPINIONS WITH
TALENTED, ENERGETIC PEOPLE
IN A SUPPORTIVE ATMOSPHERE
FREE FROM DISTRACTION



DEVELOP

CLOSE RAPPORT WITH YOUR
ROTARY CLUB, ORGANISATIONS
AND DECISION MAKERS IN
YOUR COMMUNITY

RYLA IS A POWERFUL AND VALUABLE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE AND DEVELOP SKILLS THAT PARTICIPANTS CAN POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.

The objective of RYLA is to empower participants with self-awareness, confidence and leadership skills to assist them in becoming more effective leaders. Many former RYLA Awardees have benefited in ways far beyond the course objective. Past RYLarians are part of the Leadership team and many go on to become more involved in community activities.

The program provides skills in many areas including understanding human behaviour, social interaction skills, committee functions, human values, leadership, presentation skills & public speaking, lifestyle issues, communication and organisation.

Participants must be 19 - 27 years of age and ideally involved in some form of leadership within their communities, or have shown leadership potential in the workplace. Other relevant information is in the application form found on the website. Potential candidates will be formally interviewed as part of the selection process and must undergo a formal screening process, which will include reference checks.

QUERIES & APPLICATIONS:

Louise Matthews 0420 743 083 | lmjew@bigpond.com
(applications close **Monday 29th April 2024**)

Program cost: \$1450 (all inclusive) | Formal dinner Wed 5th June, Macksville

APPLICATIONS:



YOU'RE INVITED TO

MACIEK'S

18TH

& Marina's 40th

Drop in for a drink or stay for dinner

FRIDAY, APRIL 12TH

7PM

POST OFFICE HOTEL, FITZROY ST TAMWORTH

RSVP MARINA AT 0403 759 148 IF YOU ARE
STAYING FOR DINNER (AT OWN EXPENSE)
BY FRIDAY 29 MARCH

All members are invited to attend our birthday party on April 12th. Join us for First Light Meat Raffles 6-7pm, after have a drink for Maciek (since he can't) and stay for dinner.

If staying for dinner, please rsvp to Marina. Dinner and drinks at own cost. There will be cake, of course.

If you'd like to chip in a few dollars for Maciek's present, please see Marina. We are hoping to get him an experience that is either scuba diving / snorkelling or wind surfing.

Maciek is 18 on April 12th

Marina is 40 on May 13th

FUNNY CORNER



 **Dad Jokes** ✓
@Dadsaysjokes

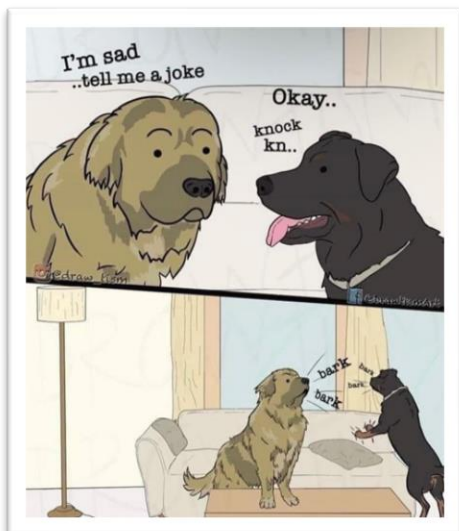
Would it kill the makers of avocados to put a different toy inside?

I have like 50 wooden balls already.

 **Dad Jokes** ✓
@Dadsaysjokes

I lost three fingers on my right hand, so I asked my doctor if I would still be able to write with it.

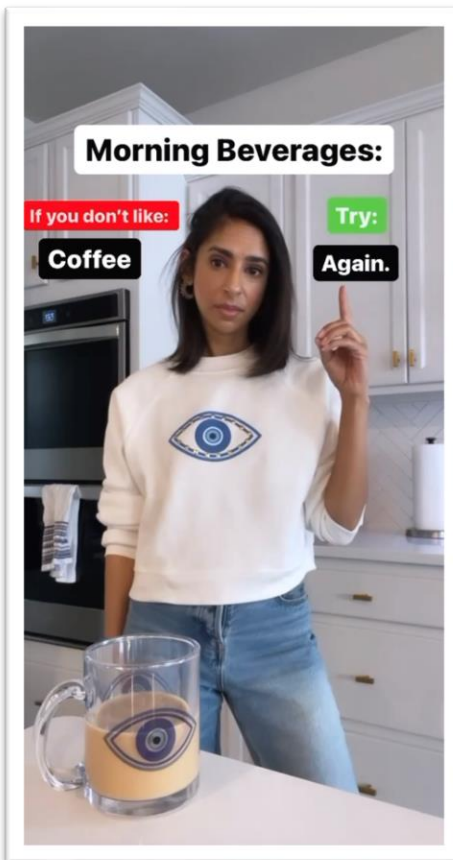
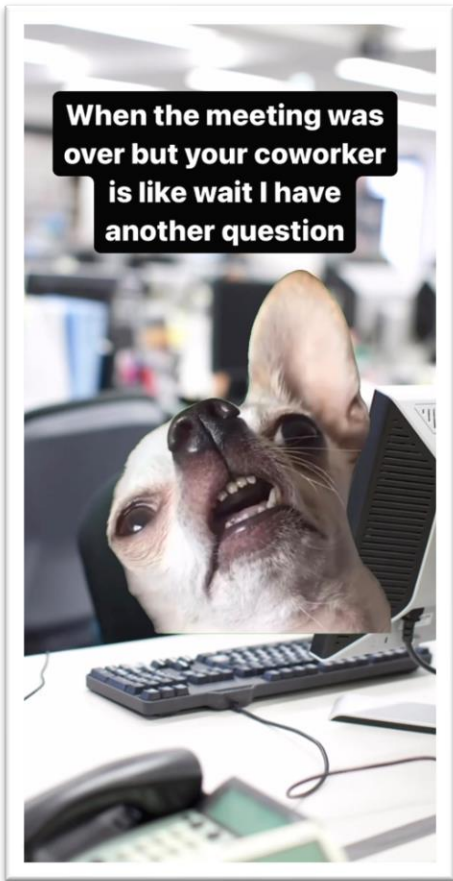
He said: "Maybe, but I wouldn't count on it."



 **Dad Jokes** ✓
@Dadsaysjokes

My son accidentally smashed his foot on the table and as he was hopping around the room screaming in pain, I rushed to the phone, picked it up and asked him, "Do you want me to call..."

"...a TOE TRUCK!?"



Rotary Events Calendar	Date
▪ Sergeant's Dinner	▪ Coming SOON!!!
▪ Clean Up Australia Day	▪ March 3 rd 2024, 0830hrs
▪ District 9660 Conference	▪ 15-17 March 2024
▪ Science and Engineering Challenge	▪ March 18-22 – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!
▪ Marina's Birrhdya	▪ 12 th April PO Hotel
▪ RI Convention Singapore	▪ 25-29 May 2024
▪ RYLA 2024	▪ 1-8 June 2024
▪ RYPEN 2024	▪ 14-16 June
▪ RC Tamworth First Light Changeover Dinner	▪ Sat 15.06.2024

Social Calendar	Date
• Post Office Raffles Social Night	• 3 rd Friday of the Month (19.01.2024)
• RCTFL Christmas lunch party	• Sunday 10/12/22, 11:30am - TCBC

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 – Richard Hardwick
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 12.03.2024, 5.30pm, TCBC.	

	6 th March	13 th March	20 th March	27 th March
Topic	TBA	TBA	S&E Dinner	TBA
Location	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Tamworth City Bowling Club	Gregory's on Goonoo Goonoo	Tamworth City Bowling Club
Guest speaker	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sergeant	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree
Corporal	Peter Leonard Steve Martin	Louise Matthews Diane Petterson		Michael Smith
Meeter & Greeter	Bev Fletcher	Aurelie Quade		Bruce Hemmett
Door Team	Sue O'Connor Diane Petterson	John Rouvray Peter Ryan	Glenn McIntosh	Aurelie Quade Hugh Raadgever
President Assist	Marina Hearne	Deb Barnes		Diane Petterson
Visitor Assist	Deb Barnes	Michael Smith	Mal Turnbull	Courtney Priestley
Welcome	Bruce Hemmett	Brian Thompson		Richard Walker
Bulletin Notes & Introduction	Peter Ryan	Helen Tickle		Deb Barnes
Vote of Thanks	Richard Hardwick	James Treloar		Terry Robinson

*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. Look for the easter eggs in this bulletin, and tell me what you find.

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

8 th March	15 th March	22 nd March	29 th March	5 th April
Hannah Woods Richard Walker	Richard Walker Bruce Hemmett	Bruce Hemmett Sue O'Connor	Sue O'Connor Courtney Priestley	Courtney Priestley Mal Turnbull

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND INDUCTIONS

Members Birthdays	NIL
Partners Birthdays	James De Ferranti (Naomi)
Anniversaries	Michael and Brenda Smith 18yrs
Club Induction	NIL

Attendance	62%	Lolly Jar Raffle	Skinner
Make-Ups	Nil	Heads and Tails	David Hinwood
Visiting Rotarians	Nil		
Visitors	Jane Bradford		