



Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

2018-19

District Governor: Lorraine Coffey

President: John Worldon

Secretary: Liz Gill

Treasurer: Deb Barnes



MEETING 1453

WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE 2019



An Eclectus Parrot - what glorious colours - thank you David Hinwood

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2019 DIARY DATES TO REMEMBER – (Computer or Paper)

15.06.2019 – Saturday – Club Changeover – West Diggers – 6:00 for 6:30PM

29.06.2019 – Saturday – D9650 Changeover

UPDATE ON TONY HAWKINS – SON OF JILL AND STEVE

Tony had a 7-hour operation on Monday to remove his hip joint which was fitted around seven years ago and had proved to be troublesome.

The surgeon has fitted a spacer which should be replaced with a new hip joint in around six weeks all going to plan. The surgeon was happy with the post x ray results.

Monday night Tony was moved to ICU as his pulse was high and blood pressure low. Steve tells me that he is much better this morning but they are still keeping an eye on his blood pressure and pulse.

Thank you - Peter Bell

Update from Steve – Saturday pm - Tony is now heading in the right direction. He was moved out of ICU and into a surgical ward late yesterday, therefore the worst must be behind us. He just seems to hoe the hard road when it comes to these things. All is brighter now and we all feel a sense of relief.

Sometimes a quick phone call, text or email can provide a boost as well – Editor.

Long Term Youth Exchange (YEP)

Marina (Lawrence) & Justin Hearne have agreed to host a Finnish girl – arriving in July. We do have another host family and would appreciate another two families preferably from our Club plus seeking support from members to assist in covering weekends away, trips to Sydney or just going to the movies or participating / watching sports in Tamworth or travelling away for weekends etc to provide a broad range of activities whilst this student is with us for the next twelve months....

Please contact Marina Lawrence 0403 759 148 or marina.lawrence4@gmail.com if you can assist with hosting or any suggestions above – you will not be disappointed – just remember many of you have grandchildren already – treat this youngster the same way!

Quote

“What is sad for women of my generation is that they were not supposed to work if they had families. What were they going to do when the children are grown – watch the raindrops coming down the window pane?”
Jacqueline Onassis

Quote of the Week

Lost via email

WORLD'S WEEK IN ROTARY 29 MAY 2019

Weekly Report also lost via email....



John Worldon

UNITED NATIONS EMERGENCY FORCES II (UNEF II) – Member Speaker Brian Logan

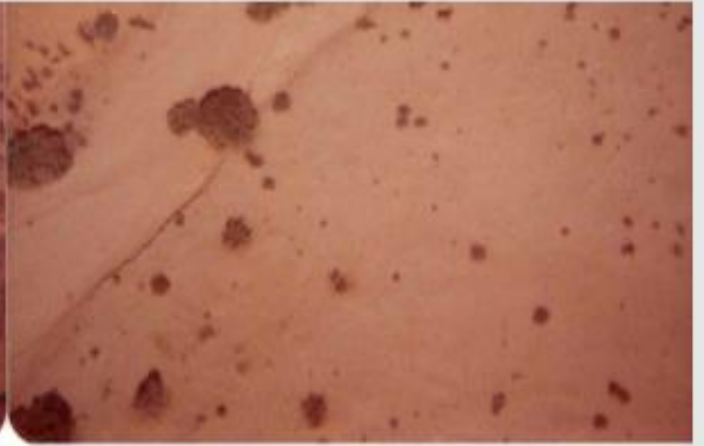
- UNEF II was established 25 October 1973
- This was with the mandate to supervise the security council resolution 340
- Forces used their best effort to prevent the reoccurrence of fighting between Egypt and Israel
- UNEF II was originally approved for six (6) months but was subsequently renewed eight (8) times
- It finalised on 4 July 1979
- The prelude to UNEF II was from the Six Day War fought between 5 – 10 June 1967
- Relations between Israel and its neighbours were not formally normalised until after the 1948 Arab-Israeli War
- Following on from this was that Israel was controlling the Sinai Peninsula



- Yom Kippur War was known as the 1973 Arab – Israeli War
- The war mostly took place in the Sinai and the Golan Heights
- War began when the Egyptian Arab coalition launched a joint surprise attack on Israel
- On 22 October the United Nations (UN) brokered a cease fire, however the Israelis had the upper hand
- That development led to tensions between the United States and Soviet Union
- April and May 1973, Israeli intelligence picked up Egypt's intentions of war
- Egypt and Israel held discussions, Israel recognised Egypt and Egypt recognised Israel
- The first of these Agreements was signed in 1974 and the second Agreement was signed in 1975

AUSTRALIA'S INVOLVEMENT FROM 1976 TO 1979

- 4 Iroquois helicopters from 5 Squadron with 46 personnel
 - The detachment was called AUSTAIR
 - Other countries involved – Canada, Finland, Ghana, Indonesia, Poland and Sweden
- Following photos show the type of country where UNEF II was based







In September 1975, the United States Secretary of State, through further indirect negotiations, succeeded in obtaining the agreement of Egypt and Israel for a second disengagement of their forces in the Sinai. The new agreement provided for the redeployment of Israeli forces east of lines designated in a map annexed to the agreement, the redeployment of the Egyptian forces westwards and the establishment of buffer zones controlled by UNEF II. It also provided that there would be no military forces in the southern areas of Ras Sudr and Abu Rudais. On both sides of the buffer zones, two areas of limited forces and armament were to be set up where the number of military personnel should be limited to 8,000 and the armament to 75 tanks and 72 artillery pieces, including heavy mortars.

Finally, the agreement set up a joint commission, under the aegis of the United Nations Chief Coordinator of the United Nations Peacekeeping Missions in the Middle East, to consider any problems arising from the agreement and to assist UNEF II in the execution of its mandate. Attached to the agreement was a United States plan to establish an early warning system in the area of the Giddi and Mitla Passes, consisting of three watch stations set up by the United States and of two surveillance stations, one operated by Egyptian personnel and the other by Israeli personnel.

The Secretary-General submitted reports to the Security Council on this matter in September 1975. He advised the Council that the new agreement between Egypt and Israel had been initialled by the parties on 1 September and would be signed by them at Geneva on 4 September. Following the signing, the representatives of Egypt and Israel were, within five days, to begin preparation of a detailed protocol for the implementation of the basic agreement in the Military Working Group of the Geneva Peace Conference on the Middle East. In accordance with previous practice, the Secretary-General instructed General Siilasvuo, the Chief Coordinator, who had presided at the previous meetings of the Military Working Group, to proceed to Geneva so as to be available in the same capacity for the forthcoming meetings of the Working Group.

The Working Group, meeting under the chairmanship of General Siilasvuo, reached agreement on the protocol of the agreement, which was signed on 22 September by the representatives of the two parties and by General Siilasvuo as witness. The protocol set out a detailed procedure for the implementation of the agreement.

The responsibilities entrusted to UNEF II under the agreement of 4 September and its protocol were much more extensive than those it had had previously, and its area of operations was much larger. The Force's first task was to mark on the ground the new lines of disengagement. To carry out this work, a group of surveyors was supplied by Sweden, at the request of the Secretary-General. Work began in October 1975 and was completed in January 1976, in accordance with the timetable set out in the protocol.

In November 1975, UNEF II began its assistance to the parties for the redeployment of their forces. The first phase of the redeployment took place in the southern area and was completed on 1 December 1975. During that period, UNEF II, through the Chief Coordinator, supervised the transfer of the oilfields and installations in the area. The second phase of the redeployment, which took place in the northern area, began on 12 January 1976 and was completed on 22 February. The Force monitored the redeployment of the forces of the two parties by providing buffer times for the transfer of evacuated areas to Egyptian control, occupying temporary buffer zones and manning temporary observation posts. The Force acted as a secure channel of communication and contact between the parties throughout the redeployment process.

After the completion of the redeployment operation, UNEF II carried out the long-term functions specified in the protocol. In the southern area, its task was to assure that no military or paramilitary forces of any kind, military fortifications or military installations were in the area. To perform that task, it established checkpoints and observation posts in accordance with the protocol and conducted patrols throughout the area, including air patrols. It also ensured the control of buffer zones in the southern area and, to this effect, it maintained permanent checkpoints along the buffer-zone lines. It also supervised the use of common road sections by the parties in accordance with arrangements agreed to by them and it provided escorts in those sections when necessary.

The functions of UNEF II in the buffer zone in the northern area were carried out by means of a system of checkpoints, observation posts and patrols by land. In the early-warning-system area, which was located in the buffer zone, UNEF II provided escorts, as required, to and from the United States watch stations and the Egyptian and Israeli surveillance stations. The Force was also entrusted with the task of ensuring the maintenance of the agreed limitations of forces and armament within the areas specified in the agreement and, to this effect, it conducted bi-weekly inspections. Those inspections were carried out by UNTSO military observers under UNEF supervision, accompanied by liaison officers of the respective parties.

The joint commission established by the disengagement agreement met in the buffer zone under the chairmanship of the United Nations Chief Coordinator as occasion required. The Force received a number of complaints from both parties alleging violations by the other side. Those complaints were taken up with the party concerned by the Force Commander or the Chief Coordinator and, in some instances, were referred to the joint commission.

The Force maintained close contact with representatives of ICRC in its humanitarian endeavours and extended its assistance in providing facilities for family reunions and student exchanges, which took place at an agreed site in the buffer zone.

All these tasks were carried out efficiently. There were few incidents and problems and, whenever they occurred, they were resolved without difficulty with the cooperation of the parties concerned.

Introduced by Richard Hardwick – thanked by Brian Thompson

AHOY MATEY'S!!! WELCOME IN 19/20 PRESIDENT BARRY BIFFIN AT OUR HEARTY CHANGEOVER

Let your swords down with
The Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light
Best dressed Pirate prize
Games and fun galore

Date: Sat, 15 June 2019
Time: 6pm for 6:30pm start
Venue: West Diggers,
Kable Avenue, Tamworth
Cost: \$40pp



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BE SURE YOUR PURSE BE OVER FLOWING WITH LOOT

NEW MEMBER PROFILE – STEVE MARTIN - our newest member.

A recent transfer to Broken Hill during a six-year working stint also saw him join and become President of his local Rotary Club.

Like his famous comedy namesake his stories and delivery kept us all in stitches of laughter. As we only scratched the surface of his full and colourful life, it sounds like many a coffee and / or beer will be needed to find many more of these gems.

Starting at the beginning, Steve is Scottish born and made it very clear was not a “ten pound” pom -, but a ten pound Scot.

His Dad was a painter and finally worked in a bludger’s job – working for the government and helped found the Union. Steve’s mum needed a better drier climate for her lungs, so to our great benefit the family migrated before young Steve could talk and the Scottish accent kick in. Lots of visitors to the house so a basic rule – leave coats in the car (guns stayed there too). Bob Hawke even visited their home during those heady days of Union beginnings and activity.

As described by Steve school wasn’t his favourite pass time in the new land down under, and at 15.5 years left to work with Qantas – apprentice aviation aircraft engineer finished plus an electrical and mechanical engineer by age 21 and with the overall aim of becoming a pilot.

These skills saw Steve working in all parts of the world with stints in Bombay and what sounded like an ideal period in Tahiti!

Steve’s ambition to become a pilot via the path of Flight Engineer was dashed when a chemical allergy ended that part of his story. Still at Qantas Steve obtained a Commerce/ Law Degree and this brought a new career in Operations and Management.

The management of problem solving - being able to make decisions and manage problems saw Steve fall into his working groove.

Following voluntary redundancy from Qantas a series of senior roles in companies like Siemens, Chubb and Boeing Defence saw more and more travel and time away from home. However, he did complete the Wedgetail 737 program – a \$12M program.

Steve mentioned a phone call home and the realisation that he was spending 32 weekends away each year saw a move to local work and a home life prioritising family.

Working for Brisbane Council with Campbell Newman – won biggest majority ever at Queensland election and lost next election. Wanted too much too soon – Queensland is the land of public servants. Had a brief but colourful three months at the short lived MacAir, next was running the Royal Flying Doctors Service in Broken Hill during a six-year period with no rain but some hail.

The move to Tamworth was mainly in support of his wife’s career as the Director of Pharmacy for Western Division.

We welcome Steve and hope that this incredible and colourful life continues with good health and happiness.



Introduced by Glenn McIntosh – thanked by Bruce Hemmett



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF SKYHYDRANT INVENTOR

Rhett Butler has been recognised by Sydney University with an Alumni Award for Service to Humanity.

To date over 6,000 SkyHydrants have been installed to provide safe drinking water for communities and schools.

With the low cost, light weight, simple operation and effective removal of contamination; the units have become an important part of Disaster Aid Australia's "Smart Aid" and "Safe Water for Every Child" initiatives,

Each SkyHydrant is capable of providing safe water for more than 500 people which means that millions of people around the world are being protected by Rhett's invention.



| | 5 June | 12 June | 19 June |
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| Topic | Chris Celovic Defence Reserve Support | Rob Clifton Outback Air Race 2018 | Jamaica Blue Breakfast / Coffee 7:30AM |
| Door Team | Peter Bell Paul Crosby | Michael Smith Mitch Soree | |
| Meeter and Greeter | Louise Matthews | Chris Watson | |
| Welcome | Lesley Hood | Dwone (DJ) Jones | |
| President Assist | Les Jacob | Dennis Maunder | |
| Visitor Assist | Peter Leonard | Helen Tickle | |
| Corporal Assist | Sue O'Connor | Val Hellmann | |
| Bulletin Notes | Paul Stevenson | Phil Penman | |
| Introduction | Paul Stevenson | Phil Penman | |
| Vote of Thanks | Steve Martin | Phil Knight | |
| PO Raffle | 7 June | 14 June | 21 June |
| at 6:30 PM | John Rouvray Sue O'Connor | Sue O'Connor John Treloar | John Treloar Brett White |
| 28 June | 5 July | 12 July | 19 July |
| Brett White Terry Robinson | Terry Robinson Barry Biffin | Barry Biffin Brodie Shields | Brodie Shields |
| Corporals for June | | Corporals for July | |
| Lesley Hood and Richard Hardwick | | | |
| Birthdays and Anniversaries and Inductions | | | |
| Members Birthdays | Glenn McIntosh (05.06); Dick Davison (08/06); | | |
| Partners Birthdays | Chris Rouvray (02.06); Sarah Massey (07/06); Leonie Bell (11/06); | | |
| Anniversaries | Chris & John Rouvray (48yrs – 07.06); | | |
| Club Induction | 1990-06-02 - John Worldon & Phil Lyon were also Charter members who left & have since returned; David Hinwood (22 yrs – 11/06); | | |
| Attendance | 85% | | |
| Make-Ups | PDG Jane Bradford – Tamworth West | | |
| Visiting Rotarians | | | |
| Visitors | Hotaran Octavian, Julie Crosby | | |
| Heads and Tails | Brett White | | |
| Raffle | Skinner | | |

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.

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

Tamworth—First Light

Meets Wednesday morning,
6:30 for 7:00 am at
West's Diggers
Kable Avenue
TAMWORTH NSW 2340
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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?

Other Clubs meet:

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Friday

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