



Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light



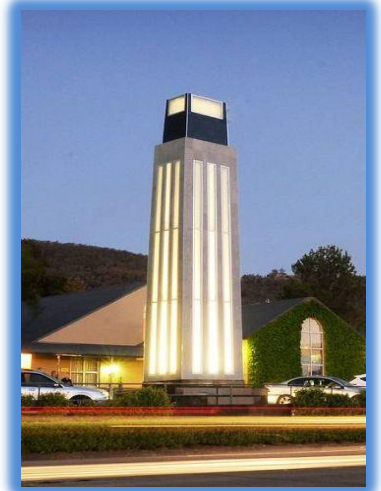
2019-2020

District Governor [Phil Hafey](#)

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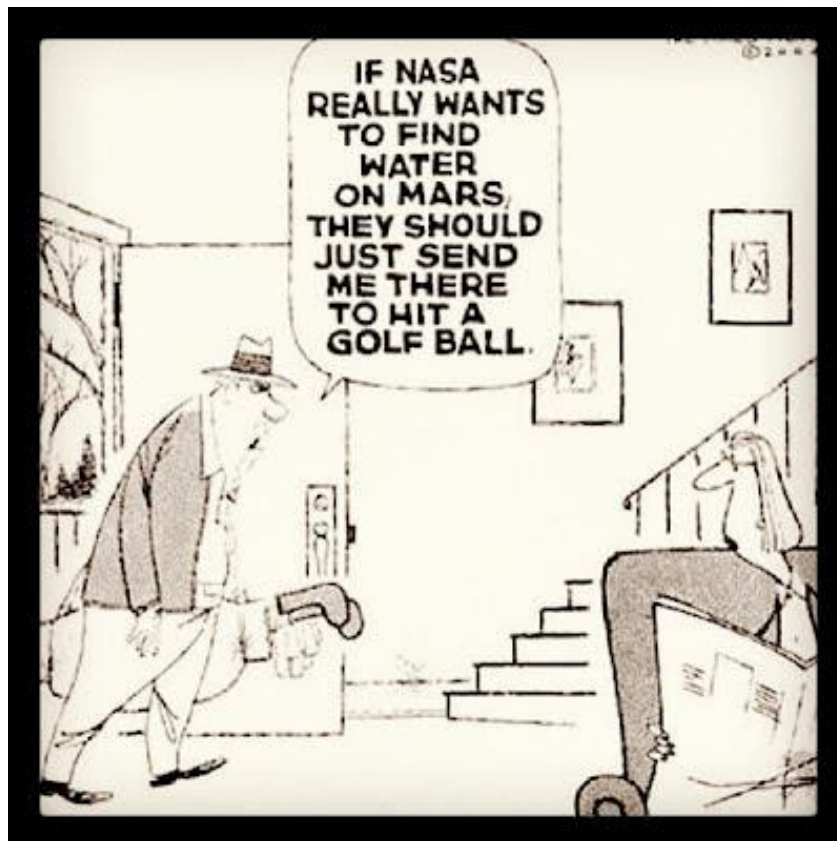
Secretary: [Liz Gill](#)

Treasurer: [Deb Barnes](#)



MEETING 1478

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2019



Just a reminder that our big Rotary Charity Golf Day is fast approaching

IMPORTANT DIARY DATES 2019

Friday, 29 November "Rotary Charity Golf Day"

- Looking for players, BBQ helpers and sponsors for the day
- Similar format to last year, teeing off at lunchtime with drinks and presentation afterwards

Wednesday, 11 December Club AGM

2020

17 – 20 March 2020 - Science & Engineering Challenge

20 – 22 March 2020 – D9650 Annual Conference at South West Rocks – book early!

Sunday, 29 March 2020 – **Pedal the Peel Cycling Challenge** – Volunteers please diary note now

02 – 09 May DISTRICT 9650 RYLA 2020 – Lake Keepit Sport & Recreation Centre
RYLA Dinner Wednesday, 6 May

Wednesday, 20 May 2020 - Northwest Regional Careers Expo at TRECC

12 – 13 June (Friday / Saturday) Regional Waste Warriors Expo

Saturday, 20 June – Club Changeover

Saturday, 26 June -D9650 Changeover



Mitch Soree is our Public Relations Director this year – please don't forget to provide Mitch with details about upcoming events, stories, happenings – he likes jotting down notes and can be contacted on **0401 719 332** or mitchell.soree@gmail.com

Golfers – for your information

*A super golfer concentrates just a little bit
more than the ordinary player*



Quote of the Week

Is sadly missing...

BARRY'S BRIEFINGS

WEDNESDAY, 13 NOVEMBER 2019

A few reminders for everyone

- A reminder that the weekend of 24 / 25 November – Rotary Showcase weekend has been cancelled due to the Bushfires basically everywhere
- Our Charity Golf Day is on Friday, 29 November – please enter and / or find a team of four to arrive in time for lunch then a game of golf then celebrations later – don't miss out!
- Our Annual General Meeting will be on Wednesday, 11 December at breakfast – please ensure any Reports etc are in with the President / Secretary well before the Monday, 9 December deadline
- Our Christmas / New Year Break is after Wednesday, 18 December Meeting with our special songstress - Ashleigh Dallas – to entertain us and
- We return in the New Year on Wednesday, 8 January 2020 and will be at Anzac Park for breakfast

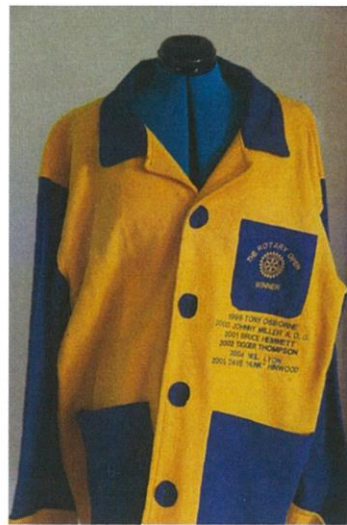
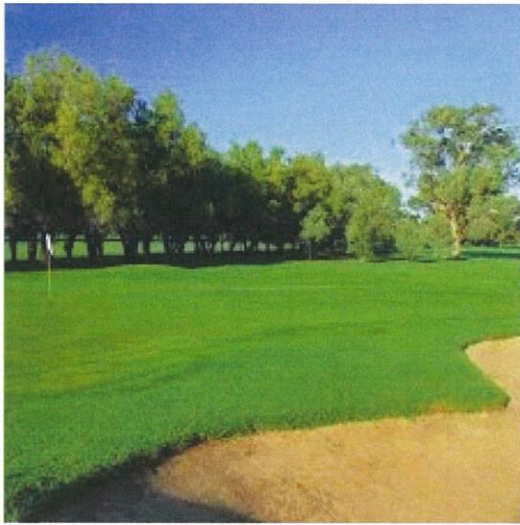
See you all next week...

BARRY BIFFIN



"No, playing golf isn't a sin. However, lying about your score, swearing, playing for money, wishing the other players will play bad, and not returning that 7-iron you found is."

The Rotary Open of Tamworth



“The Rotary Open of Tamworth” is back by popular demand.

- **Be in the running to win the “STUNNING Gold & Blue Jacket”**
- Friday 29th November 2019
- Tamworth Golf Club
- \$40 per person
- 12 Noon BBQ Lunch for a 1.00 pm Shotgun Start
- Individual Stableford in conjunction with 2 person Irish 4 ball
- Book and pay at the Pro Shop with Brock Sampson, individually or as a team – phone 6765 9980
- Sponsor a hole for \$100 or you may like to donate a prize
- Lots of prizes and fun, BBQ lunch included
- Presentation and drinks to follow the golf
- **PROCEEDS to LOCAL CHARITIES**

Further information:

Michael Smith – 0408 230 211

Dennis Maunder – 0428 456 017

Deb Barnes – 0411 770 552



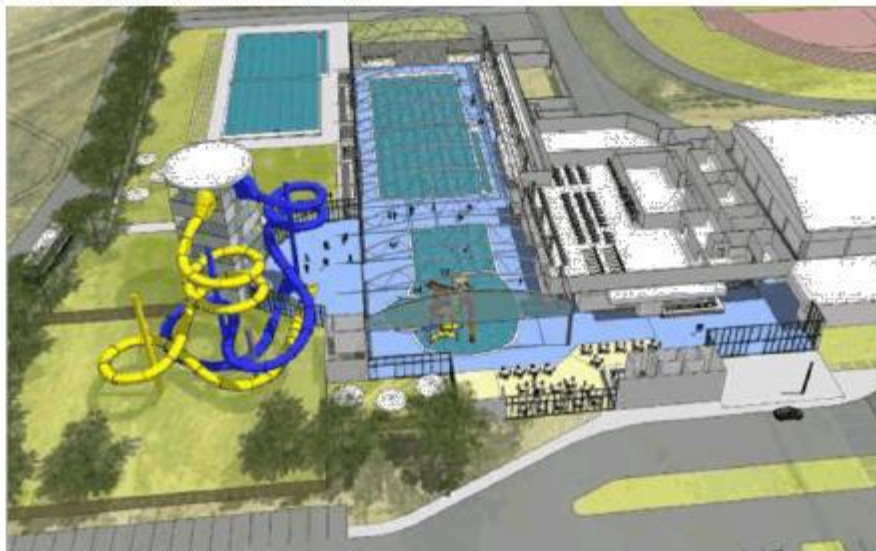
OUR GUEST SPEAKER TODAY IS PETER RYAN BRINGING US UP-TO-DATE WITH THE LATEST INFORMATION ABOUT THE PROPOSED AQUATIC CENTRE OUT NEAR THE AMAZING NETBALL CENTRE, NEW ATHLETICS CENTRE AND THE BRILLIANT “HORSE” CENTRE WITH TRECC CLOSE BY

Peter Ryan addressed our Club last Wednesday, 13 November with an update to the Tamworth Regional Aquatic and Leisure centre.

Currently the project is progressing, with a target completion of March 2023. Prior community engagement in early 2018 identified a strong community interest in seeing this project through, with approx 93% of the 1289 community respondents identifying the project as 'very important' or 'somewhat important' to the future of Tamworth.

Moving forward, the project will bring a range of health and economic benefits to the Tamworth community and region, providing a social space, as well as top class sporting facilities not seen in regional NSW. This, as a result, will allow future sports men and women of tomorrow to have a local facility unlike any other. The ability of the venue to seat up to 500 people (plus a possible 400 more towards the end of the pool) is also of benefit to the sporting community, and sports spectators alike - expected to appeal to a regional population of 200,000 people throughout the New England and North West region.

Image of Proposed Regional Aquatic and Leisure Centre



The economic benefits of the project are also significant-

- The project is anticipated to cost \$67M, with funding drawn from Local, State and Federal grants
- While the face value seems high, the existing sporting infrastructure in Tamworth is ageing, with approx \$37M or (55% of the new venue cost) being needed to bring the existing infrastructure up to date, so building new versus repairing old is a sound economic decision, with the new infrastructure having an estimated 50-year lifespan
- On the jobs front, approx 53 full-time equivalent positions will be generated by the Centre, with an economic benefit of \$264M projected over the foreseeable 20 years. This is before the project jobs growth and local involvement from businesses and the community is taken into account throughout the build
- Marketing the Tamworth Region as a destination for living, working and leisure.

Our thanks to Peter for a most insightful update of the project, I look forward to watching it grow over the coming years.

Notes provided by Mitch Soree
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Introduced by Mitch Soree

**Thanked by Maureen Thornton with
Peter Ryan**



Our Club's current promotion is our GOLF DAY so we have golf jokes to give you courage to participate....



. 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
Mercure Function Room
Kent Street
South Tamworth

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 PM – Tamworth West
Tuesday PM – Tamworth
Wednesday PM - Calala
Friday AM - Sunrise

Club Officers and contact details

[President—Barry Biffin](#)

[Secretary—Liz Gill](#)

[Treasurer – Deb Barnes](#)



WEEKLY ROSTER FOR BOTH CLUB AND POST OFFICE RAFFLES

	20 November	27 November	4 December
Topic	Dr Ronita Majumdar Anaesthesia Day	Syd Howard Cars, Farming, Fireworks	Capt Dean Clutterbuck Salvation Army
Sergeants	Mandy Fisher Steve Martin	Mandy Fisher Steve Martin	Mandy Fisher Steve Martin
Corporals	Sue O'Connor David Hinwood	Brett White John Worldon	Rob Sharp Brodie Shields
Meeter & Greeter	Phil Lyon	Namoi Blakey	Phil Knight
Door Team	Anne Jacob James Treloar	Terry Robinson Ron Allen	Richard Walker Rob Clifton
President Assist	Richard Hardwick	Dennis Johnson	Brian Logan
Visitor Assist	Val Hellmann	Chris Watson	Peter Bell
Welcome	Graham Dooley	Laurence Hearne	Ian Howle
Bulletin Notes	Richard Walker	Louise Matthews	Phil Penman
Introduction	Richard Walker	Louise Matthews	Phil Penman
Vote of Thanks	Dimity Betts	Marina Lawrence	John Rouvray

POST OFFICE RAFFLE – FRIDAYS - 6:30 – 7:30PM

22 November	29 November	6 December	13 December
David Hinwood Rob Clifton	Peter Leonard John Rouvray	Peter Leonard John Rouvray	John Rouvray Paul Stevenson

BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS

Members Birthdays	NIL
Partners Birthdays	NIL
Anniversaries	NIL
Club Induction	Dimity Betts (4yrs – 25/11);

Attendance	73%
Make-Ups	NIL
Visiting Rotarians	Janni Sievanen YEP;
Visitors	NIL
Heads & Tails	Ron Allen
Raffle	John Worldon

