

Tamworth First Light

The Bulletin

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This Week

- All about Brian - Serg & Speaker
- Thanks to the BBQ helpers & seedling planters!

20 Nov 2024

RSVP Link



Rotary Year 2024 - 2025

RI President: Stephanie Urchick

District Governor: Bruce George

President: Sue O'Connor

Secretary: Courtney Priestley

Treasurer: Dennis Maunder

Sue's Spark of Rotary Inspiration

Quote of the Week: When nothing goes right, go left.

Joke of the Week: Remembrance Day poem, thanks Louise, very special.

Notices: – The Powerhouse Museum BBQ on Saturday went well. Thank you to Brian L and his many helpers. We had Nicole Jones and 3 other helpers from the Commonwealth Bank come along and volunteer, now they may be helpers for the Santa Crawl. It's great to see this alliance forming between CBA and our club.

– The TRC Volunteer Expo is being held in the Town Hall on Sunday 24th November, from 9-11am. Please let me know if you're interested in coming along and helping on our stall. It's a great promotion for our club, including the Interactors.

– Mitch is taking names for the Christmas Party which is on Thursday 5th December at the Kootingal Hotel, from 6-9pm.

– Mitch is also taking names for Santa Crawl volunteers so don't forget to put your name down for this one.

– Please let me know if you've decided that you can help with billeting musicians participating in the CMAA Senior Academy, from 6th – 16th January.

– District 9660 Showcase is on this weekend in Forster.

Guest Speakers: Thanks Brian for your insightful talk for Remembrance Day, it's always so interesting to hear the first-hand experiences of our members.

Sue O'Connor
President 2024/ 2025

Malin & Ela received their Year 12 Jerseys on 13.11



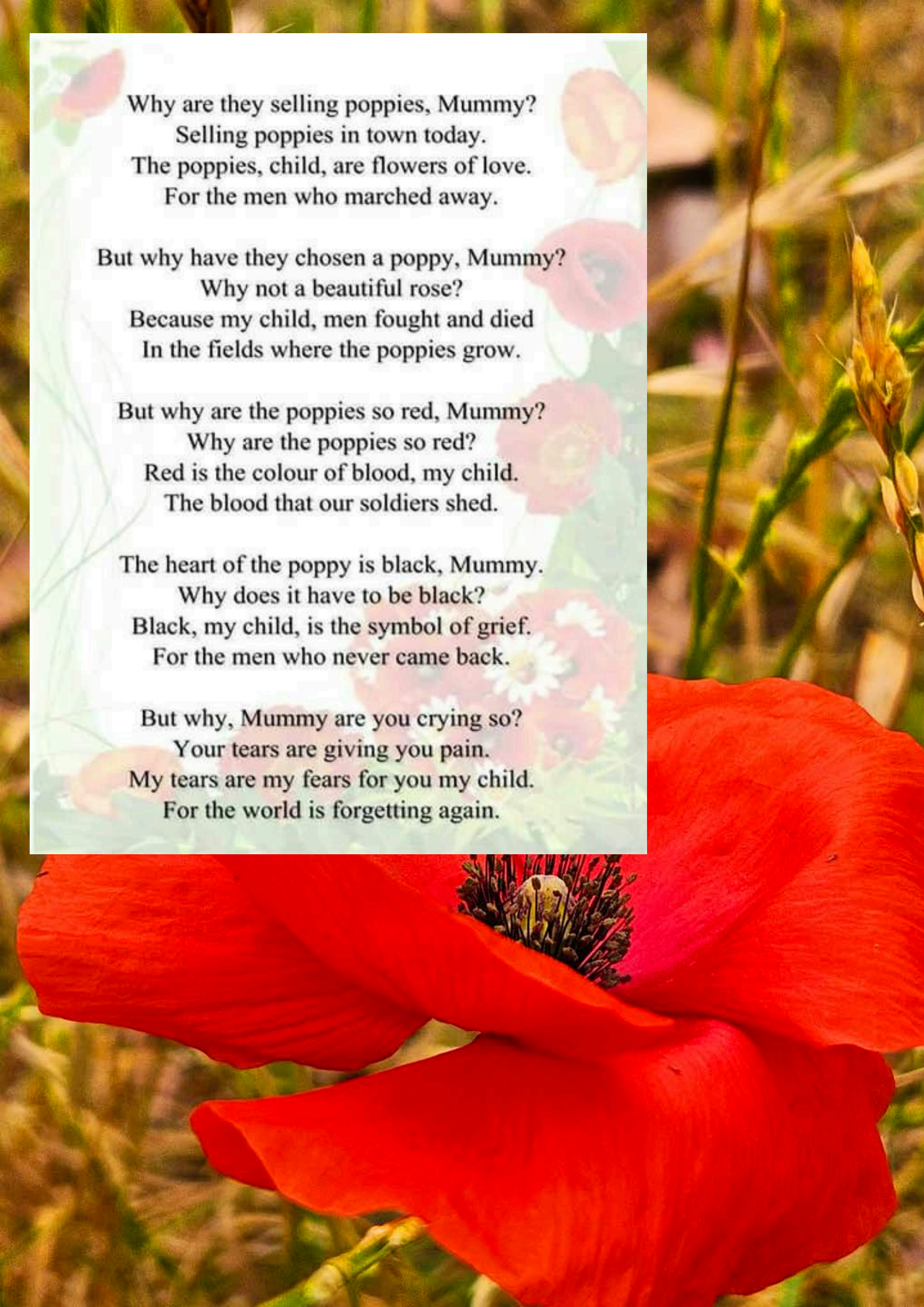
Why are they selling poppies, Mummy?
Selling poppies in town today.
The poppies, child, are flowers of love.
For the men who marched away.

But why have they chosen a poppy, Mummy?
Why not a beautiful rose?
Because my child, men fought and died
In the fields where the poppies grow.

But why are the poppies so red, Mummy?
Why are the poppies so red?
Red is the colour of blood, my child.
The blood that our soldiers shed.

The heart of the poppy is black, Mummy.
Why does it have to be black?
Black, my child, is the symbol of grief.
For the men who never came back.

But why, Mummy are you crying so?
Your tears are giving you pain.
My tears are my fears for you my child.
For the world is forgetting again.





BBQ team on point at the Powerhouse Museum over the weekend



What is wrong in this photo?

No, it's not that James is happy First to send me a message or email wins a scratchie (except Peter R, you're excluded lol)



Join us!!

Rotary 
Club of Tamworth First Light

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Join us for a casual night of fun, friends,
& Rotary fellowship

Kootingal Hotel
Thursday 5/12/24
6pm - 9pm

Feel free to purchase your own meal from the
bistro, or simply join us for a drink.

Please RSVP before 27/11/24 to
Mitch for seating and kitchen
coordination 0401719332

Santa Crawl tickets

Santa Crawl

proudly announce our 2024
nominated charities



Sora

Community Services

Guest Speaker - Brian Logan

Past president Brian Logan presented a short history of the conflict in the middle east, and discussed with us his time in the Second United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF II). The conflict's area of operation was in the Sinai Peninsula and Suez Canal area.

The UNEF II was established by United Nations General Assembly, in accordance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 340, in 1973. Its aim was to supervise the ceasefire between Egyptian and Israeli forces at the end of Yom Kippur War (also known as the October War), and following of the agreement of 18 January 1974 and 4 September 1975, the aim was to supervise the redeployment of Egyptian and Israeli forces to the region, and to man and control the buffer zones between the parties which was established under those agreements.

The force was withdrawn in July 1979. Brian served our country in this mission for a period of 6 months as a young man, of 18 years old. The detachment was called AUSTAIR, and saw deployment of 4 iroquoise helicopters from 5 squadron, along with 46 personnel. Other participating nations were Canada, Finland, Ghana, Indonesia, Poland, and Sweden.

Brian's story highlighted the challenges faced in the region, with many years of conflict adding to the challenges we continue to see today. The ongoing wars in the region continue to be a challenge as differences in religion, historical land ownership, and a number of global political factors, all being aspects which have affected the region, and will need to be navigated on a path towards peace in the region.

While being a peacekeeping mission, the deployment was not without injury, with casualties experienced by a number of countries involved in the dispute.

Brian has been lobbying the Australian government to recognize our involvement in this peacekeeping mission as a true conflict / war, so that proper recognition can be given to all those who served during this time.





Exchange Student Adventures - Ela & Malin



Malin

Lady Elliott Island

Ela



The Funny Elbow



Person: What's the dumbest thing you've ever done?

Me: Awfully bold of you to assume I've peaked.

Important Info

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Join us
every 3rd
Friday of
the month
at The PO
Hotel

24 NOVEMBER 2024 - TRC VOLUNTEER EXPO
5 DECEMBER 2024 - TBC RCTFL XMAS PARTY
20 DECEMBER 2024 - SANTA CRAWL
14 - 16 MARCH 2025 - DISTRICT CONFERENCE
MARCH 2025 - S&E CHALLENGE
13 & 14 MAY 2025 - NWRCE

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:

24 NOV - TRC VOLUNTEER EXPO
20 DEC- SANTA CRAWL VOLUNTEERS

Roster

Date	20 Nov	27 Nov	4 Dec
Topic	Life Experience of a Refugee	Ela Fiserova	AGM
Location	Tamworth City Bowlo	Tamworth City Bowlo	Tamworth City Bowlo
Guest Speaker	Gai Phanoraj	Ela	Sue O'Connor
Sergeant	Brian Logan	Brian Logan	Steve Martin
Corporal	Diane Petterson	Bruce Hemmett	Naomi Blakey
Meeter & Greeter	Brian Thompson	Glenn McIntosh	Michael Smith
Door Team	Steve Martin Luke Massey	Hannah Woods Charlotte Moore	Steve Hawkins Helen Tickle
President Assist	Peter Bell	Richard Hardwick	Laurence Hearne
Guest Speaker Intro & Visitor Assist	Peter Leonard	Grandpa Joe (Hugh Radgeever)	Nil
Bulletin Notes Vote of Thanks	Dimity Betts	Louise Matthews	Board of Directors

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

22 Nov	29 Nov	6 Dec	13 Dec (last one)
Vicki Cooper Hugh Raadgever	Hugh Raadgever Vangel Christov	Vangel Christov James Treloar	James Treloar Bruce Hemmett

Any changes to the roster, please let the President Assist know the morning of the meeting that you are replacing someone.

Reminder that it is up to members to find your replacement if you are unavailable.

Email Leave of Absence to the Secretary

Birthday, Anniversaries, and Inductions

Members Birthdays	Nil
Partners Birthdays	Nil
Club Inductions	Dimity Betts 25/11 (9yrs)
Anniversaries	Nil

Attendance	63%
Visiting Rotarians	-
Visitors	Ela Fiserova (YEP RC First Light) Malin Breivik (YEP Student RC Tamworth)
Heads and Tails	Steve Hawkins
Chook Raffle	James Treloar (free breakfast the following week only, cannot be claimed at a later date)