

Tamworth First Light

The Bulletin

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This Week

- TRC Volunteer Expo
- Dec 5th Xmas Party
- Ela as guest speaker

4 Dec 2024

RSVP Link



Rotary Year 2024 - 2025

RI President: Stephanie Urchick

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Secretary: Courtney Priestley

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Sue's Spark of Rotary Inspiration

Quote of the Week: In the end, it's not the years in your life that count, it's the life in your years. Abraham Lincoln.

Joke of the Week: Joker Card, thanks Steve Martin.

Notices: - The TRC Volunteer Expo was held last Sunday. Thank you to all those who came along and helped with our stall: Louise, Marina, Peter J, Ela, Molly from Interact, Hugh and Susan; and Terry and Dianne were on the Community Garden stall. There weren't great numbers of the public came, but there was lots of networking between the 24 organisations there. Our club and Interact were really featured on NBN News. Thank you to Marina, who spoke about our youth leadership programs, great job.

- The numbers are looking good for our Christmas Party which is on next Thursday 5th December, at the Kootingal Hotel, from 6-9pm. You can order a meal from the bistro or just pop out for a drink and a chat. Just let Mitch know if you haven't already. Will be great to see everyone there!

- Charlotte filled us in about the Santa Crawl meeting on Monday. The arrangements for this are all going smoothly. Don't forget to put your name down to help out on the night: Friday, 20th December.

- Glenn invited anyone interested to the Science and Engineering Challenge meeting this afternoon at 5.30pm at TCBC. Mark it in your diaries for 17th – 21st March 2025.

- Tania Longworth from Connecting with Bricks, the Lego initiative, is looking for company sponsors for their events in January, including Country Music Week. If anyone is interested, let me know and I'll pass on her email with the details.

- Next Wednesday is our AGM, it would be great to see everyone along to hear from our directors and the plans for our club.

- At our meeting on 11th December, we will be doing a food and toy drive for the Salvos. Please bring along toys and unperishable foods suitable for distribution to our less fortunate families in Tamworth for Christmas.

- On 18th December, our last meeting for the year, we'll be having a Christmas theme and trivia with Norm.

Guest Speakers: Thank you to Ela for such a vibrant and entertaining talk, we love your enthusiasm and sense of fun!

A big thank you from our club to Marina and Jordan who have hosted Ela over the past months. Thanks also to Marina for all your work with YEP at a club and district level.

Sue O'Connor
President 2024/ 2025

TRC Volunteer Expo

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Xmas Party is next week, 5 Dec

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

Guest Speaker - Ela

What a fantastic presentation by Ela on the eve of her moving host families.

Introduction by Hugh (Grandpa Joe) Raadgever, who is a little baffled as to where that moniker was derived from. Perhaps somebody could explain it to us all.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Willy_Wonka_%26_the_Chocolate_Factory

Ela finds the resemblance remarkable :)
So, forever Hugh will be known as...
Granpa Joe



The trivia questions around our knowledge of Ela & Czechia was well received, particularly the chocolates being hurled around the room for the correct answers. Her stay with Marina & Jordan has been incredibly memorable. So many activities, events & destinations in such a short period of time. From Sydney to Coffs, Maitland to Womberal, D9660 Showcase at Forster & almost dying walking to the top of Flagstaff. Movies, board games, cooking, crocheting & family dinners at Laurie & Liz's on Tuesday nights. Ela has settled into Calrossy. She still "hates" wearing the uniform, has lost her hat 2 or 3 times but somehow it comes back. Calrossy has been able to give her the opportunity of the school trip to Lady Elliot Island Eco Resort on the Great Barrier Reef.

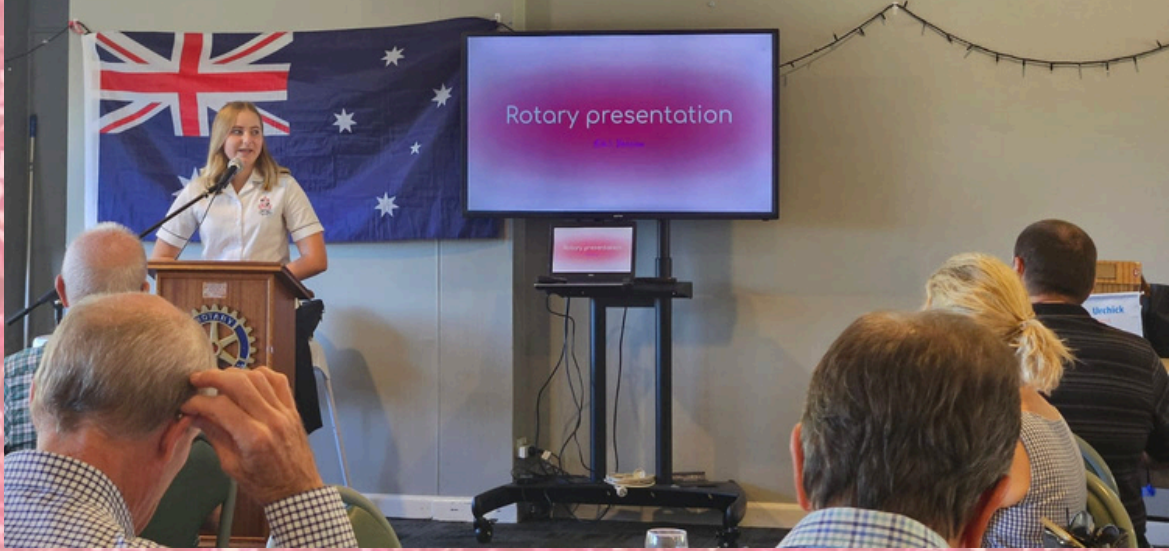
We all look forward to getting an update from both Ela & Malin every week, it's such a pleasure having them at our meetings.

You can all follow Ela's blog. The girls are off to their second Inbound Camp this weekend to meet up with all the other students in our District. I'm sure there will be lots of stories from that event now they have all settled in. Steve & Ruth Martin are seasoned YEP hosts & are looking forward to Ela joining them over the Christmas period & beyond. I can assure them they won't be short on conversation.

Dekuji Ela

[Ela's Blog:](https://fiserovaela.wixsite.com/your-fav-aussie)

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The Funny Elbow

Being around Cats makes you say things you never imagined you'd say in this life.

Like, "Why are you sleeping on my salad."



Only in Australia



StuntsMonkey · 358d

My wife just completed a 40 week body building program this morning

It's a girl and weighs 7lbs 12 oz.

40.4k

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This is the perfect dad joke because it literally made you a dad.

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No it made him a daughter

6.6k Reply

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

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:

11 DEC - SALVOS TOYS & FOOD DRIVE

20 DEC- SANTA CRAWL VOLUNTEERS

Roster

Date	4 Dec	11 Dec	18 Dec
Topic	AGM	Salvo Army XMAS Appeal & Profile	End of Year Trivia with Norm!!
Location	Tamworth City Bowlo	Tamworth City Bowlo	Tamworth City Bowlo
Guest Speaker	Sue O'Connor	Salvo's & Simon G	Norm Dezius
Sergeant	Steve Martin	Steve Martin	Steve Martin
Corporal	Naomi Blakey	Brett White	Louise Matthews
Meeter & Greeter	Michael Smith	Helen Tickle	Brian Logan
Door Team	Steve Hawkins Helen Tickle	Vicki Cooper Bruce Hemmett	Peter Bell Graham Dooley
President Assist	Laurence Hearne	Peter Johnston	Bev Fletcher
Guest Speaker Intro & Visitor Assist	Nil	Brian Thompson	Nil
Bulletin Notes Vote of Thanks	Board of Directors	Mitch Soree	Sue O'Connor

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

-	-	6 Dec	13 Dec (last one)
-	-	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	Deb Barnes 14/12
Partners Birthdays	Nil
Club Inductions	Nil
Anniversaries	Steve & Ruth Martin 15/12 (34 yrs) Brian & Sue Thomspen 16/12 (46 yrs)
Attendance	75%
Visiting Rotarians	-
Visitors	Ela Fiserova (YEP RC First Light), Malin Breivik (YEP Student RC Tamworth), Jordan Hearne
Heads and Tails	Malin Breivik
Chook Raffle	Skinner (free breakfast the following week only, cannot be claimed at a later date)