

# Tamworth First Light

## The Bulletin

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### This Week

- Malin is chopping the locks! Donation link in bulletin



### *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:** If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change. Dr Wayne Dyer

**Joke of the Week:** Joker Card, thanks Brett.

## **Special General Meeting:**

Thank you to all those who attended the SGM regarding the RCTFL Foundation Trust. It was really important to have a quorum of members to have your say and vote on the motions determining the future of the trust. A quorum was reached and both motions were passed. The minutes for this meeting will be sent out by our secretary.

As we want to ensure that all members are satisfied with the process, please let Richard or I know if you are aware of any issues with this.

From here, guidelines regarding these funds will be put in place by the board and finance committee in consultation with the trustees. If you would like to input your views on these guidelines, please email Richard or myself.

## **Notices:**

- Thank you to Richard for filling in for me last week whilst I was in Sydney.
- Naomi encouraged us to volunteer for **Clean Up Australia Day** on Sunday 2nd March.
- Glenn reported that everything is on track for the **Science & Engineering Challenge: 17th – 21st March**. Please help out as a volunteer if you can.
- Applications are now open online for **District Conference** in Narrabri: 15th – 16th March.

- Malin is seeking sponsors for undertaking the World's Greatest Shave, a fundraiser for the Leukaemia Foundation. Well done Malin!
- We have received an invitation from Tamworth and Sunrise Rotary Clubs to attend a fundraising event for the School of St Jude, Tanzania, a school that brings free quality education to children living in poverty in Africa. The founder Gemma Sisia, who was originally from Guyra, will be speaking. It's being held at Oxley HS, at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 11th March. I'd encourage as many members as possible to attend this interesting evening.
- At the Area 6 Combined President's Zoom Meeting last week, we agreed upon a combined area project. All clubs have been asked to put in a donation for the School of St Jude to be presented to Gemma Sisia at the upcoming fundraising night. Ken Hall indicated that donations will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$10,000 , from funds remaining from the previous area account.
- At this week's board meeting, the decision was made to donate \$2000 to this project.

Other discussions at the board meeting included:

- Peter Ryan is looking into a Rotary grant to fund an emergency housing pod at the Womens' Refuge, with the board's support.
- We have been asked by Rotary to approach our local PCYC and strengthen links with them and the community they work with. We'll make some enquiries with them.
- A reminder to please be mindful with jokes and comments at our meetings that we have visitors and young people in the room. By all means keep our meetings fun, but not too over the top please.

# District Conference



Who's coming  
to Narrabri  
District  
Conference!?!?

## Ignite Your Rotary Spirit at the District Conference!

Get ready to connect, inspire, and ignite your Rotary spirit at our upcoming District Conference! This isn't just another meeting – it's an opportunity to:

- \* Connect with fellow Rotarians: Share ideas, build friendships, and expand your network within our district.
- \* Be inspired: Hear from dynamic speakers, learn about impactful projects, and discover new ways to make a difference.
- \* Celebrate our achievements: Recognise the incredible work of individuals and clubs, be part of a vibrant celebration of Rotary.
- \* Have fun! Enjoy social events, entertainment, and create lasting memories.

Whether you're a seasoned Rotarian/Rotaractor or new to the family, this conference is for you. It's a chance to recharge your passion for service and discover the power of Rotary in action.

14th to 16th March

Narrabri

<https://www.trybooking.com/CZBAU>

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity! Register today and join us for a truly unforgettable experience.

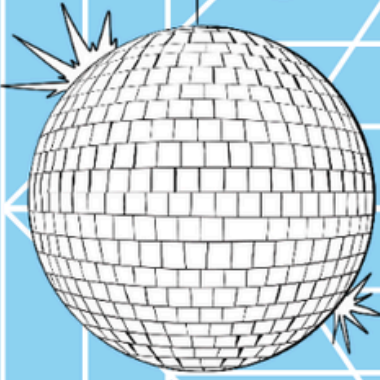
The conference committee along with the members of Narrabri Rotary and Rotaract clubs look forward to seeing you there!

Yours in Rotary,

Bruce George

2024-2025 District Governor

# Trivia Through the Ages!



Take a ride down memory lane over the last 100 years with our Trivia Through the Ages!

Come join us at the **Tamworth City Bowling Club** on the **27th of February** for a fun-filled evening of brain-teasing questions and friendly competition!

Date: 27th February  
Time: 6pm  
Location: Tamworth City Bowling Club  
Cost: \$10 per person

All funds raised go towards the Interact Club of Tamworth Sunshine



Scan me for tickets!

**DRIVE-IN  
MOVIE NIGHT**



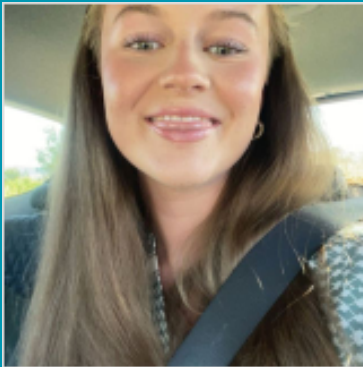
**Interact**  
Club of Tamworth Sunshine





# Malin is chopping some of her locks off for a great cause

[Click this link to donate to Malin!](#)



## Malin Breivik

I'm making a hairy sacrifice and joining the World's Greatest Shave! Big or small, every donation counts to help beat blood cancer and I would love your...

 World's Greatest Shave

# Our Interactor Molly, is also participating in the shave!



## Molly Carey

I'm making a hairy sacrifice and joining the World's Greatest Shave! Big or small, every donation counts to help beat blood cancer and I would love your...

 World's Greatest Shave

[Link to donate to Molly](#)

# *Clean Up Aus Day*

Sunday 2nd March 8am

Park next to Hungry Jacks (where park run is)

Will clean up along the parkland near the river up from Hungry Jacks going towards Paradise.

Please bring/wear:

- Long pants
- Hat
- Water
- Enclosed shoes

Please feel free to bring any family or friends.



LET'S CLEAN UP 2025

# AUSTRALIA

JOIN OUR **BIGGEST EVER CLEAN UP**  
SUNDAY 2 MARCH  
[CLEANUP.ORG.AU](http://CLEANUP.ORG.AU)

Clean Up  CELEBRATING **35** YEARS

The poster features a central illustration of the map of Australia filled with a diverse crowd of people, representing the nationwide nature of the event. The background is a light green color.

# The Funny Elbow

Beware of  
Valentine 💝 scams  
I ordered my wife  
some expensive  
jewelry but they  
sent ice fishing gear

The real holiday is February 15th...

...When the Chocolate is 70% off.

If I worked at a restaurant on Valentine's Day, I'd secretly drop fake engagement rings into random drinks—just to sit back and watch the chaos unfold. Bon appétit!

ON A SCALE OF 1 TO 10,  
YOU'RE A 9

AND I'M THE 1 YOU NEED

IS YOUR NAME WI-FI?

BECAUSE I'M FEELING  
A CONNECTION

Who needs candy and flowers on Valentine's day, when one has Vodka!

Cheers to all  
the single  
ladies!

Happy  
Valentine Day







The perfect photo bomb doesn't exist....



Technically, the missing sausages are still in the fridge.



**THIS STEAK IS SO CHEWY**  
**HAN SOLO IS TRYING TO GET IT**  
**ON THE MILLENNIUM FALCON**

# *Important Info*

[Tamworth First Light Webpage](#)

[District 9660 Webpage](#)

[Rotary International Link](#)

[DACdb Link](#)



## *Calendar*

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

**27 FEB - TRIVIA WITH INTERACT TMW SUNSHINE**

**8 MARCH - INTERACT CHARTER DINNER**

**14 - 16 MARCH 2025 - DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

**17 - 21 MARCH 2025 - S&E CHALLENGE**

**13 & 14 MAY 2025 - NWRCE**

### **ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:**

**2ND MARCH - CLEAN UP AUS DAY**

**17 - 21 MARCH SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE**

# Roster

Date	19 Feb	26 Feb	5 Mar
Topic	Little Wings	Regional Aus Bank Community Partner	YEP Update
Location	Tam City Bowlo	Tam City Bowlo	Tam City Bowlo
Guest Speaker	Clare Pearson	Claire Paras	Ela Fiserova
Sergeant	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree
Corporal	Glenn McIntosh	Paul Stevenson	James Treloar
Meeter & Greeter	Hugh Raadgever	Brett White	Peter Leonard
Door Team	Peter Johnston Barry Biffin	Liz Gill Richard Hardwick	Naomi Blakey Liz Gill
President Assist	Terry Robinson	Deb Barnes	Jo Lewis
Guest Speaker Intro & Visitor Assist	Naomi Blakey	Vicki Cooper	Hannah Woods
Bulletin Notes Vote of Thanks	Dimty Betts	Laurence Hearne	Brett White

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

21 Feb	28 Feb	7 Mar	14 Mar
Helen Tickle Mitch Soree	Mitch Soree Peter Ryan	Peter Ryan Peter Johnston	Peter Johnston Vicki Cooper

**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 Secretary, Courtney**

**Birthday, Anniversaries, and Inductions**

<b>Members Birthdays</b>	Simon Guest 21/2
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	Susie Stevenson 25/2
<b>Club Inductions</b>	Peter Johnston 23/2 (3yrs)
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Nil

<b>Attendance</b>	75%
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	Nil
<b>Visitors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ela Fiserova (YEP RC First Light), Malin Breivik (YEP Student RC Tamworth)</li> </ul>
<b>Heads and Tails</b>	Diane Pettersen
<b>Chook Raffle</b>	Sue O'Connor (free breakfast the following week only, cannot be claimed at a later date)