

# Tamworth First Light

## The Bulletin

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### This Week

- Lots of fun things coming up
- Trivia with Interact on 27 Feb!!



### *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:** Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance you must keep moving. Albert Einstein.

**Joke of the Week:** If everyone bought a white car, what would we have? A white carnation.

## **Notices: Busy few weeks ahead!**

- Naomi spoke about our community garden news and about Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 2nd March. Please come along at 8am near Hungry Jacks to help if you can.

- RYAG Sheep is being held from 4th-7th March and we are sponsoring 2 students from McCarthy. We are invited along to the dinner at Walcha Golf Club on Friday 7th March at 6.30pm, cost is \$50. Details are in the email Courtney sent out, RSVP by Friday. Thanks Liz for the update on this terrific program.

- Marina spoke about the Sunshine Interact Club Charter Event which is on Saturday 8th March at 6.00pm at the Jockey Club, cost is \$65. This is an exciting event for Rotary in Tamworth. As their sponsor club, we are all invited to attend so please try to come along. The details are in the bulletin.

- Marina also encouraged us to come along to the Interact Trivia Night on Thursday, 27th Feb at 6.00pm at TCBC. Details are also in the bulletin.

- District Conference is in Narrabri on 15th – 16th March. You can register online.
- Glenn spoke about needing lots of volunteers for the Science & Engineering Challenge from 17th – 21st March. Please see Glenn or Courtney if you can help.
- Reminder about 2 committee meetings at TCBC today at 5.30pm: Santa Crawl and Science & Engineering. If you're on both committees, you can jog between the 2!
- A reminder that we've been invited by Tamworth Rotary and Sunrise Clubs to attend the fundraising event for the School of St Jude, Tanzania, including hearing from the founder, Gemma Sisia. It's at Oxley HS, 6.00pm Tuesday 11th March, cost \$30. I'd encourage as many as possible to attend as it's also our area project.
- Relating to the SGM on the Foundation trust, we'd welcome any feedback or issues regarding the process, meeting or guidelines. The trust has been a factor of this club for a long time, so we want to be sure that everyone is satisfied with the change and how it was carried out.

**Guest Speakers:** A big thank you to Malin and Ela who filled in at short notice, answering questions from the club about their experiences in Australia. So interesting and entertaining, well done girls!

**Sue O'Connor**  
**President 2024/ 2025**

# 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.

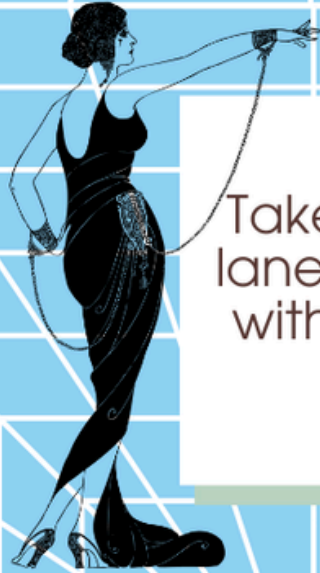
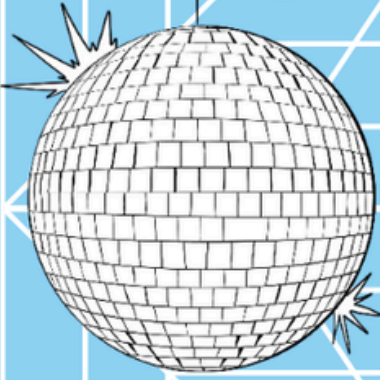
The conference committee along with the members of Narrabri Rotary and Rotaract clubs look forward to seeing you there!

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**



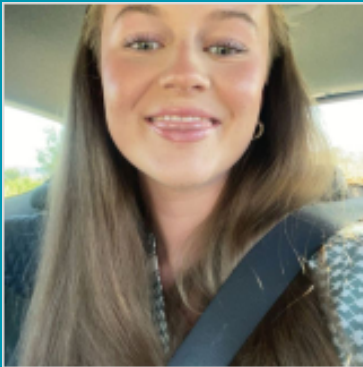
**Interact**  
Club of Tamworth Sunshine





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

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

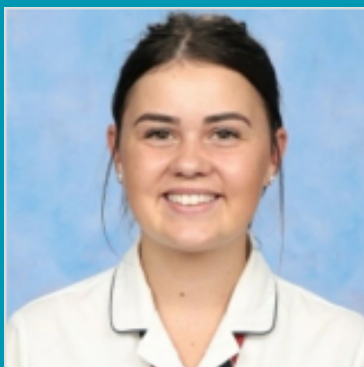


## Malin Breivik

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

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 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

Clean Up  CELEBRATING **35** YEARS



**Save the Date**

**Saturday the 5th of April**

**8.30am**

**Join the Tamworth Community Garden as we plant our next seasons crops.**

**As part of this official Taste Tamworth Festival event we will also be hosting a fruit and vegetable swap.**

**Bring along any excess produce and swap it with someone else's produce.**

**All welcome.**

**Thanks,  
Naomi**





SAVE THE DATE

*Interact Club  
of Tamworth  
Sunshine*

INVITE YOU TO OUR  
CHARTER EVENT

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SATURDAY,  
AT 6PM

8TH  
MARCH  
2025

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TAMWORTH JOCKEY CLUB  
& FUNCTION CENTRE

COST: \$65 PER TICKET  
WITH DINNER PROVIDED

SCAN FOR TICKETS



# Ela & Malin



Impromptu  
guest  
speakers





# The Funny Elbow

**WHEN MY WIFE IS SICK IN BED AND ASKS FOR PLANE TOAST**



Shoutout to everyone who got through the day without taking a nap.

Pulled an all dayer today. Pretty rough

son: \*holding acorn\* what's this

me: a tree

son: really?

me: in a nutshell, yeah

# *Important Info*

[Tamworth First Light Webpage](#)

[District 9660 Webpage](#)

[Rotary International Link](#)

[DACdb Link](#)



## *Calendar* **FIRST LIGHT** *Social Night*

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 - DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

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

**13 & 14 MAY - NWRCE**

**14 JUNE - RCTFL CHANGEOVER**

### **ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:**

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

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

# Roster

Date	26 Feb	5 Mar	12 Mar
Topic	Regional Aus Bank Community Partner	YEP Update	RYAG Sheep
Location	Tam City Bowlo	Tam City Bowlo	Tam City Bowlo
Guest Speaker	Claire Paras	Ela Fiserova	Attendees
Sergeant	Mitch Soree	Graham Dooley	Graham Dooley
Corporal	Paul Stevenson	James Treloar	Barry Biffin
Meeter & Greeter	Brett White	Peter Leonard	Deb Barnes
Door Team	Liz Gill Richard Hardwick	Naomi Blakey Liz Gill	Steve Martin Brian Logan
President Assist	Deb Barnes	Jo Lewis	Diane Petterson
Guest Speaker Intro & Visitor Assist	Vicki Cooper	Hannah Woods	Michael Smith
Bulletin Notes Vote of Thanks	Laurence Hearne	Brett White	Laurence Hearne

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

28 Feb	7 Mar	14 Mar	21 Mar
Mitch Soree Peter Ryan	Peter Ryan Peter Johnston	Peter Johnston Vicki Cooper	Vicki Cooper Alice Elsley

**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>	Brian Thompson 4/3
<b>Partners Birthdays</b>	nil
<b>Club Inductions</b>	Marina 2/3 (9yrs) that's a shock, where'd the time go!?
<b>Anniversaries</b>	Graham & Marion Dooley 5/3 (42yrs)

<b>Attendance</b>	64%
<b>Visiting Rotarians</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sam Peacocke - Dubbo South Rotary Club</li> </ul>
<b>Visitors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ela Fiserova (YEP RC First Light), Malin Breivik (YEP Student RC Tamworth), Jamie Hunt</li> </ul>
<b>Heads and Tails</b>	Paul Stevenson
<b>Chook Raffle</b>	Glenn McIntosh (free breakfast the following week only, cannot be claimed at a later date)