

Tamworth First Light

The Bulletin

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This Week

- Interact Charter Dinner Sat
- S&E Dinner is 19 March



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: Keep your face towards the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you. Walt Whitman

Joke of the Week: Joker Card, thanks Richard.

Notices:

- The Interact Trivia Evening was a great fun night and well-attended by our members. Well done to the Interactors, Marina and Peter Ryan.
- **Clean Up Australia Day went well last Sunday.** A big thank you to all those who came along and helped. It was a much bigger job this year with so many camping sites along the river bank, some of them burnt out. We filled all the bags, but there were not quite as many shopping trolleys this year! It was great to talk to people who were passing by who showed their appreciation for what we do and some even joined in and helped.
- **RYAG Sheep** is on in Walcha this week, with the dinner on Friday night.
- Sunshine Interact Club Charter Event is on this Saturday 8th March, 6.00pm, at the Jockey Club, cost \$65. Details are in the bulletin.
- Combined Rotary fundraising event for **School of St Jude**, with founder, Gemma Sisia. Oxley HS, 6.00pm Tues 11th March, cost \$30.
- District Conference, Narrabri: 15th – 16th March. Register online.

- **Science & Engineering Challenge:** 17th – 21st March. Lots of volunteers are still needed. The dinner at 7.00pm on Wednesday night at Gregorys on Goonoo Goonoo, is in lieu of our morning meeting. Cost is \$50. RSVP to Jo Lewis.

- Hosts are being sought for our next YEP student. Please see Marina.

- Community Garden planting & vege swap: **Saturday 5th** April, 8.30am.

- **Guess Who's Coming to Dinner:** Saturday 5th April, 6.00pm. RSVP as hosts or guests to Mitch.

Guest Speakers: Thanks to Ela for her update, entertaining as always! Thank you also to Marina and all those who support and host our YEP students.

Sue O'Connor
President 2024/ 2025



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

Clean Up Aus Day





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**



Since 2002

The School of St Jude

Fighting poverty through education



There will be a Rotary fundraising event for the School of St Jude in Tamworth as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, 11 March 2025
TIME: 6.00 pm
VENUE: Oxley High School
COST: \$30.00
FUNCTION: Fingerfood. Drinks will be available for sale on the evening
RSVP: 4 March 2025 -for catering purposes to Sue-Ellan Nash
(sue_ellennash@yahoo.com.au)

The School of St Jude, Tanzania is a pioneering leader in charitable education within Africa.

The Founder, Gemma Sisia, opened the school in 2002, with a big dream to bring the opportunity of free, quality education to children living in poverty. This remains their mission today.

Gemma Sisia and John Stanley is a Tanzanian entrepreneur, speaker, environmental advocate, and a proud alum of The School of St Jude will be our guest speakers on the evening.

Students from Oxley High School will also be involved on the evening. We would like to see all Rotary Clubs in Tamworth attend the evening, perhaps making it their meeting night for this week.

The School of St Jude will be taking donations on the night.

Rotary
Tamworth First Light



SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

Sponsor's Dinner

Join us for an evening of fun and fellowship

WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH 2025

7:00PM

Gregory's on Goonoo Goonoo,
191 Goonoo Goonoo Rd, Tamworth

\$50 pp

RSVP: 14th March 2025

Call Jo Lewis 0478 037 150

Scan the QR code



Date: 19th March 2025

(instead of our breakfast meeting)

Start time: 7 pm

Location: Gregory's on Goonoo Goonoo
South Tamworth NSW 2340

Details: Join us at Gregory's on Goonoo Goonoo
for an evening of fun and fellowship.

Cost: \$50 pp.

RSVP via the ticket link below – payment at the
door on the night.

Get tickets:

<https://forms.gle/3rY4sG3hh2oTU67y7>

Guess who's Coming to dinner – 2025



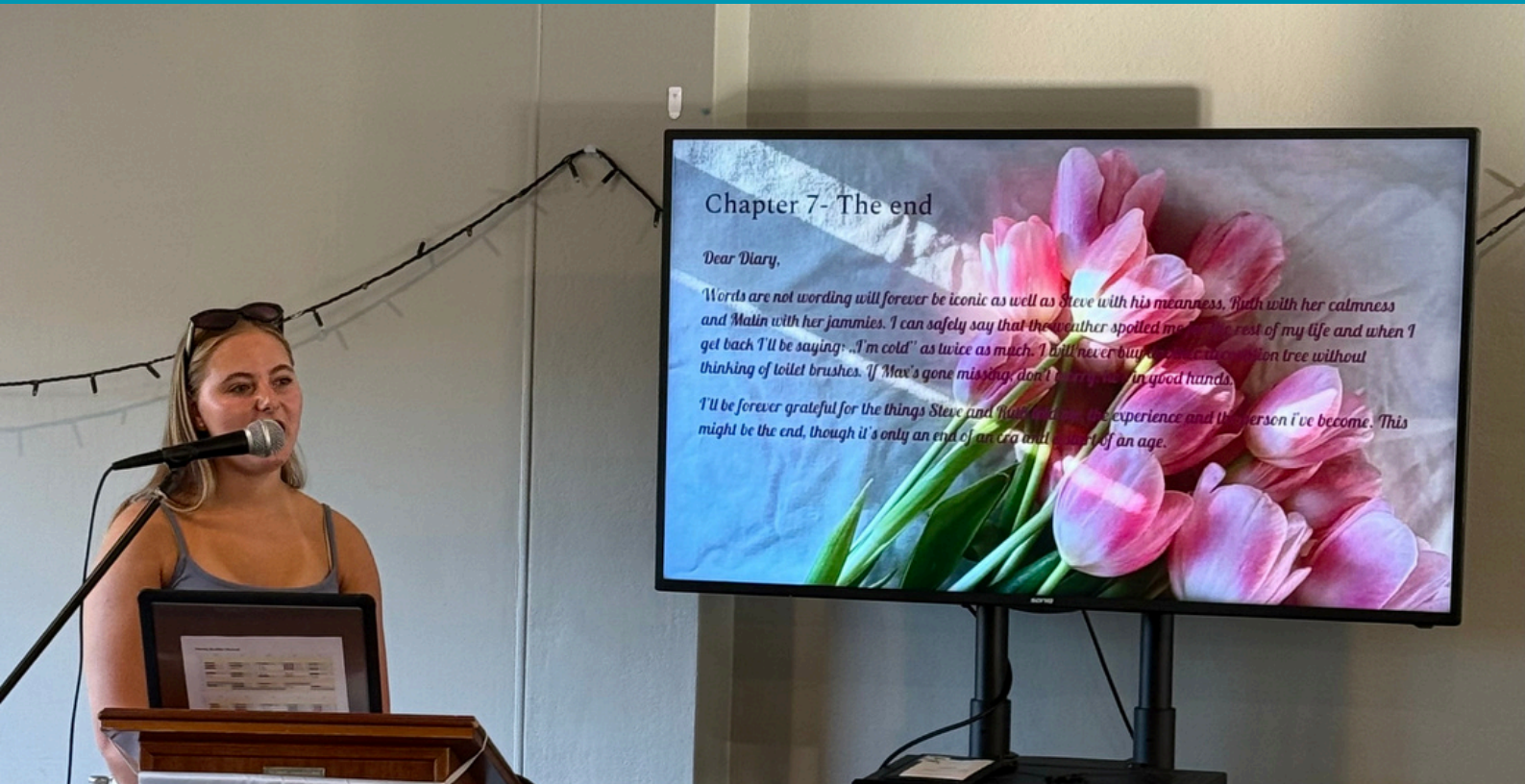
Saturday April 5, 2025 at 6.00PM

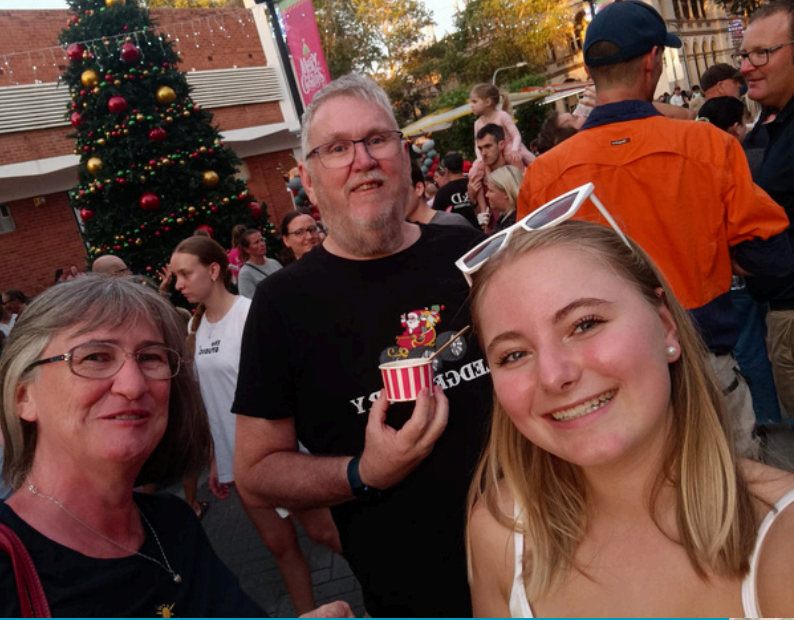
RSVP by 29th March

“A night of unexpected food, friends and festivities”

RSVP: mitchell.soree@gmail.com or text 0401719332 by 29th April.
If there are any dietary needs, please advise.

Ela Fiserova - Y&P Update 2





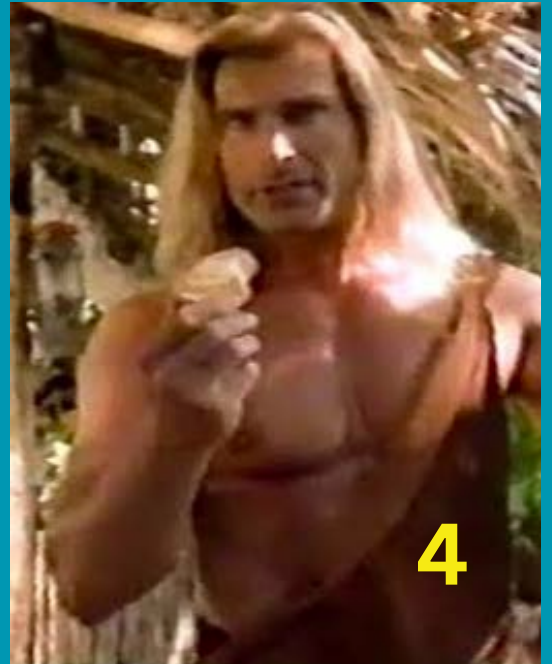
- Chrissy in Brissy
- New sister Malin
- Lot's of baking (Czech Christmas cookies)
- TCMF
- Camping at Barrington steps
- Became a better person
- Steve is being mean(Joke ofc)





The Funny Elbow

Correctly name all six '90's ads - text or email Marina with answers!



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

5 APRIL - COMMUNITY GARDEN

13 & 14 MAY - NWRCE

14 JUNE - RCTFL CHANGEOVER

ASSISTANCE REQUIRED:

2ND MARCH - CLEAN UP AUS DAY

17 - 21 MARCH SCIENCE & ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

Roster

Date	12 Mar	19 Mar	19 Mar
Topic	RYAG Sheep	S&E Challenge Dinner	Intermodel Freight Facility
Location	Tam City Bowlo	<u>Gregory's</u>	VOCATIONAL
Guest Speaker	RYAG Attendees	S&E Committee	
Sergeant	Graham Dooley	-	-
Corporal	Barry Biffin	-	-
Meeter & Greeter	Deb Barnes	-	-
Door Team	Steve Martin Brian Logan	-	Peter Leonard Mal Turnbull
President Assist	Diane Petterson	-	-
Guest Speaker Intro & Visitor Assist	Michael Smith	-	Sue O'Connor
Bulletin Notes Vote of Thanks	Laurence Hearne	-	Richard Hardwick

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

14 Mar	21 Mar	28 Mar	28 Mar
Peter Johnston Vicki Cooper	Vicki Cooper Alice Elsley	Alice Elsley Deb Barnes	Deb Barnes Diane Petterson

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

Members Birthdays	Nil
Partners Birthdays	Nil
Club Inductions	Naomi Blakey 14/3 (7yrs)
Anniversaries	Nil

Attendance

73%

Visiting Rotarians	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sam Peacocke RC Dubbo South
Visitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ela Fiserova (YEP RC First Light), Malin Breivik (YEP Student RC Tamworth), Jamie Hunt, Ruth Martin
Heads and Tails	Alice Elsley
Chook Raffle	Bruce Hemmett (free breakfast the following week only, cannot be claimed at a later date)