



## Bulletin 35 of 23rd of March 2023



### Guest Speaker Brett Latham on “Everything you needed to know about Tyres.”

Brett is a man who really knows his subject matter, and he says he is very passionate about tyres. He spends about 3 months every year updating his knowledge and maintaining certifications.

Few of us have considered how dangerous deficiencies with car tyres can be. Despite the best mechanicals the tyre is what contacts the road surface and it is up to the tyre to hold you in an emergency. Truck tyres are a subject of great importance to Brett, as any problem with vehicles of this size is likely to lead more serious accidents.

If you blow a tyre many cars are not provided with a real spare tyre these days, but a space saver. These lack the properties of real tyres and should be used for as short time as possible and moved to the rear left side on a car which is the least important of the 4 tyres. The front tyres are the most important and should always have good tyres fitted. Also people need to pay attention to tyres when towing caravans with their big 4WD vehicles. Tyre ratings are at unloaded levels so there is a significant difference when towing a heavy van. People often notice the feeling of the steering feeling like the car is floating when pressures are not correct. Have you ever considered the implications of tyre modifications? This could be very significant if you were in an accident? You technically should advise your insurance company if you change tyres from recommended ones, as it counts as a modification to the specs. of the car.

I am sure we all learnt something about this subject tonight.

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### Details for week following our next weeks meeting

#### Birthdays

Vicki Clark on March 29th  
Ian Bridgen on April 2nd

#### Anniversaries

John & Maree Cropley on March 28th.

### Heads and Tails

Geoff Robinson

### Raffle Winner:

John Cropley who did not draw the joker allowing our jackpot to keep building. 3 minute talk at the next club meeting

### Next meeting

We will not meet at the NB Bowling Club next week. Bunnings has requested assistance at their family BBQ night, and so a number of members will be there to cook. Come along to this night if you would like to be involved. The Bunnings night will start earlier than normal at about 5.30 but will continue for a couple of hours.

### Club Changeover

This night will be held on Thursday 29th of June.

## Club Announcements

### Bunnings BBQ on Saturday 1st of April

The usual times will apply:

AM: *Lesley, Geoff, Ella, Henk*

PM: *Ian, John C. Judi and Doug( for Dieter)*

Coordinator for the day will be Geoff Diemar.



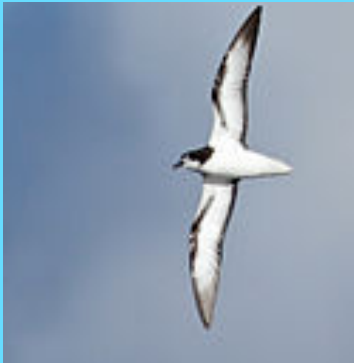
### Sponsorship at Tomaree Hospital



The donations in aid of the Tomaree Palliative Care Garden are starting to come in as the project moves closer to getting underway.

Harbourside Haven \$3000 , Harbourside Haven Board director G. Blythman made personal donation of \$500, Soldiers Pt. Marina also donated \$849 as a result of a fund raiser they had. We are aware of other donations which will come in shortly, and we also hope to be successful in our grant application from the Commonwealth Government, which has reached a second round level

### Three Minutes from Warwick



The subject tonight for Warwick's talk was taken from "Broughton Islanders Book" by John Clarke.

Warwick talked about the problems with rabbits being introduced into Australia in the 1880s and soon in plague proportions around the country. They were put on Broughton island as well, where they wiped out the habitat necessary for native birds like Gould's Petrel. They brought an expert from France in 1906 who set up a lab. on the island and believed he would control them using microbes. After a few years he left, but with the rabbits still around. It took Parks and Wildlife personal in the 1970's to get rid of rabbits, rats, and other introduced animals which had also damaged vegetation on Cabbage Tree Island.

The Goulds petrels are back and the island vegetation has returned to its native state.

### Thought of the week considering we have an election this weekend

All politicians should have 3 hats:  
one to throw into the ring,  
one to talk through, and one to pull rabbits out of if elected.  
Carl Sandburg 1912