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The PORT WHEEL

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Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by **Laurie Barber** to the Rotary Club of **Maitland in Orlando, Florida.**
- **Three on Me** tonight was by **Keith Innes** who spoke of the **Battle of Long Tan** & the 50th Anniversary of this famous battle in Vietnam.
- Sadly **Annette Moore** has resigned from our club. Annette has been a great worker & we will miss her morning teas at the book sorting. Annette has asked if she may continue as a friend of Rotary & assist at some of our activities. She will continue to receive the club bulletin & support our club where she can. Thanks Annette.
- **Secretary Terry Crossley** received a letter commending our club & the work under Past President Phil Perry in the past year from our local **State Member, Leslie Williams.** Thanks Leslie.
- Our Club's **Rotary GOLF Day is on September 16th.** Set the day aside in your diary.
- Debbie Loveday is getting a table for the **RED & BLUE Ball on October 15th.** Tickets are \$50. If interested, see Debbie.

We Won a RAWCS Pink Umbrella Grant of \$1000 for Nepal

Debbie Loveday reports that at the recent RAWCS AGM/ Conference held here in Port Macquarie we received a \$1000 Grant for the Rural Hospital in Nepal.

At the conference there was a speaker from Rotary Down Under who said they are always looking for good stories & encourage the promotion of Rotary in the social media. Debbie is going to write an article about the Nepal Hospital project for RDU & has asked PDG Laurie Barber to assist her in this.

Well done Debbie & Fred O'Toole & all involved in the gaining of this grant.



Oscar Boyer with our Club's International Director Gai Nixon

Oscar from Tours

Tonight's guest speaker was our Inbound Student Oscar Boyer from Tours in France. His host club is the Rotary Club of Tours Ronsard in District 1720. (Ronsard was a famous French poet). Oscar told us about France & his home town. Tours is famous for its sparkling wines, nougat & goat's cheese & has the French champion volley-ball team. There are many beautiful castles around Tours. Oscar's young sister Clara turned 9 today, so we sang happy birthday.



President: Gil Padarin-Innes **Secretary:** Terry Crossley
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CLUB MEETINGS, EACH WEDNESDAY @ Port Panthers, 5-30pm for 6pm start.

**Apologies or bookings to Keith Innes...
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President - Gil Padarin-Innes; **President-elect & Treasurer-** Frank Beukers; **Vice-President -** Lyn Bowen
Secretary - Terry Crossley;

Directors - Club - Keith Innes, **Vocational -** Kerry Medway/Vern Allen, **Past-President & Community -** Phil Perry - **International -** Gai Nixon, **Youth -** Diana Gammon. **Membership -** Chris Whitton.

Past District Governors - Roger Dulhunty 1969-70, Ivan Meldrum 1975-76, Laurie Barber 2006-07.



Club program

If you are unable to fulfil your role, please swap with someone & advise

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomer	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Aug 24	Inner Wheel	Margot Lee/ Jacqui Everett	Glenda Barber	Aub Schulstad	Frank Beukers	Frank Urban	Lyn Bowen
Aug 31	International Night	A Spanish Night	Gai Nixon	Debbie Loveday	
Sep 7	Public Speaking	Four Students	Dianna Gammon & Deb Loveday	Lloyd Cross	Kerry Medway
Sep 14	District Governors Visit	DG Ian Jackson	President Gil Padarin-Innes	Alastair Moss	PDG Laurie Barber	Dr Ted Giblin	Lyn Bowen



3 on ME - Bob Cleland

Bob shared this insight into his life two weeks back. This is an edited copy. *On leaving school, I worked in a transport business which had a strong family connection. I only intended to spend 12 months there before commencing a Chemical Engineering degree. Instead I completed a Commerce Degree and spent 36 years in the transport industry.*

I worked for Employers Mutual Insurance & in 1976 joined the Council of the NSWRTA and was placed on the Insurance Sub-Committee. I became Chairman of this Committee in 1983. I was also appointed a Director of NSWRTA main licensed insurance Company. I have been a director for 33 years.

On retiring from the Road Transport Industry in 1996, I joined the management team at Employers Mutual, working full-time in both Claims & Underwriting roles until we moved to P/M in 2003. I continued as a part-time consultant for another 5 years. In all this time I have built up a level of expertise in Workers Compensation & Injury Management aspects of Insurance. Editor - Bob has had an outstanding career in insurance.

As a Mutual we have no shareholders & we have a culture of helping people to get their lives back after suffering a workplace injury. To assist this, we commit to ploughing 50% of our profits back into what we call Member Benefits. Last year, our budget for Members Benefits was \$10.7 million and this year it will be even more. Much of this is spent on research or projects to better health outcomes for employees who are injured in their workplaces or to help prevent injuries in the first place. There were 236 initiatives that were supported last year, the biggest being in dealing with psychological injuries in the NSW Health, Police & Fire Departments. >>>>>>

*Rotary Club of
Port Macquarie presents
the Ladies of Innerwheel*

August 24th
5.30pm - 7.30pm

Panthers
Bay Street
Port Macquarie

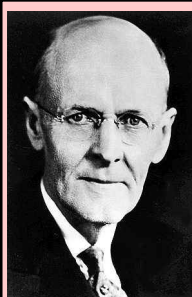
Dinner \$18.00pp

Lock-In Party

Bob Cleland Concludes -

I'll finish with a couple of statistics - we employ 1400 people, manage over \$1billion in premium income and have over 25,000 open claims under management. We generate just under \$200 million in income from management fees and each year spend over \$750 million in claims payments. I find it an exciting industry of jobs & growth.

Thanks Bob for sharing. Once again we have another high achiever as a member in our Rotary Club.



Rotary's Founder PAUL HARRIS

Quote - No. 8

"It should do all of us good once in a while to see ourselves as others see us; and if by chance, our egotism experiences a shock, even that, in the long run, may be preferable to a complacent overestimate of ourselves and our standing."

- The National Rotarian, March 1912.

BIRTHDAYS Aug/Sep 2016

- 28/08 - Frank Beukers
- 29/08 - Allan Openshaw
- 29/08 - Glyn Fuller
- 13/09 - Laurie Barber
- 14/09 - Lyn Sheppard
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- 14/09 - Lorryl Rumble-Fuller
- 18/09 - Paul Froome
- 22/09 - Doug Heagney
- 26/09 - Paul Trevillion
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ANNIVERSARIES Aug/Sep 2016

- 21/08 - Alastair & Joan Moss
- 23/08 - Graham & Tina Bell
- 28/08 - Sheila & Alan Openshaw
- 10/09 - John & Lynn Sheppard
- 19/09 - Paul & Kerry Trevillion