



# The PORT WHEEL

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## Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by Mavis Wallace. As the focus of the night was ethics, we hosted Rotary Club no 1, the Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois, USA.
- Another book sort this Saturday, October 1 at the Rotary Community Centre. Will start about 8.30am—11am
- Sergeant Neil Porter counted the number of Rotarians present at 20. His challenge is to make the next meeting, a club assembly a bigger attendance.
- The next four club bulletins will be produced by sub-editors - **Dr Lyn Bowen** (Sept.20th; Sept. 27th; & Oct. 5th) & **PDG Laurie Barber** (October 12th). Please send any info for the bulletin to Lyn & Laurie. Lyn says don't panic if the bulletin doesn't come your way until the weekend, with her work-commitments & Kerry sending the P/W out via New Zealand !!!!



## Ethically challenging?

Fellow Rotarian John Oxley was our guest speaker at our Rotary meeting this week. He convened a lively discussion on a range of ethical issues and we proved to be an ethical bunch of Rotarians. John referred us to a number of different sources as our ethical guides. He noted the ethical connections in the Rotary objectives, the Rotary Code of Conduct and the Rotary 4 way test, which he described as an ethical way to look at decision making. The scenarios that were discussed were thought provoking and realistic to a range of situations.

For example, here is just one that achieved a healthy discussion:

*You're on the board of directors for a publicly traded corporation. You and your fellow board members, in hopes of heading off early for the holidays, rush through the investigatory process involved in a much anticipated merger. As a board member, you have a duty to exercise the utmost care respecting decisions that affect the corporation and its shareholders. Failing to properly investigate a matter that affects their interests could be viewed as gross negligence supporting a breach of your ethical and legal duty of care.*

One Rotarian observed that the discussion demonstrated the calibre of Rotarians in our club, including the depth of experience and responsibility hat have held or still hold.

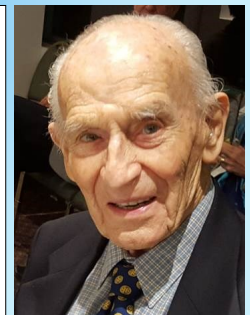
Well done John. If you missed the meeting, ask John for the scenarios and think about how you would respond.



## Ron Walesby to be honoured

Ron Walesby, while still a member of this club, was instrumental in the development of Rotary Lodge at Port Macquarie Base Hospital. He, along with a committee of fellow Rotarians from all clubs negotiated to purchase the land and fund raise for the very first stage. His work is to be recognised, with the...building to be the Ron Walesby wing in his honour.

A past member of Wauchope club, Richard Morroco, is also to be honoured with a wing named after him.



Ron Walesby

**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
Oct 5	Constitutional changes	Club Assembly	Gil Padarin-Innes	Keith Innes	Nil		Neil Porter
Oct 12	HAT Day for AR		Gil Padarin-Innes		David Mayne	Phil Perry	Kerry Medway
Friday 14th October - RED & BLUE BALL see details in red book.							
Oct 19	Mental Health Dorothea McKellar Poetry Competition	Students from High School	Diana Gammon	Frank Urban	nil	nil	Neil Porter
Oct 24							

## A funny thing happened...

It was the Charity Golf Day Thank you dinner and a group of Rotarians were standing around chatting to some of our guests. Our Sydney based guest speaker, Anthony was asked what he would be doing on the following day. He mentioned that he would take a look around as he hadn't been to Port Macquarie before. Suggestions such as the beaches and the beautiful coastal walks were offered up, then someone suggested he should visit the koala hospital, pointing out that it had an international reputation. At this, an unnamed Rotarian shared that it was the reason he came to live in Port Macquarie, as he would get good health care there. There was some laughter of course...but it leaves us wondering what you get when you **CROSS** a human with a koala? A **CROSS** Rotarian, of course, who thought we were talking about a human hospital, that is, Port Base!



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## Beatlemania

Last week, at the Golf Day thank you, some will remember that Neil Porter was well clothed, with a Beatles T shirt under his Rotary shirt. He was off to a film fundraiser for the 2017 Port Macquarie Beatles Festival, although some might have thought he was just off to live in a yellow submarine. Either way, Neil is heavily involved in this event and would love us all to put February 9-12, 2017 in our diaries for a retro weekend of fun and entertainment.



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF PORT MACQUARIE PRESENTS**

# BAREFOOT BOWLS

**In celebration of ARH HAT DAY**  
 Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October  
 6pm at The Westport Club Cost \$15 PP  
 Join us for dinner afterwards (optional)  
 RSVP: rpmclubsvcs@outlook.com

We will be celebrating our annual Australian Rotary Health Hat Day on Wednesday, October 12th with an evening of Barefoot Bowls at Westport Bowling Club. Of course, it won't be quite hat day if you don't come wearing a hat. One Rotarian (who must be old to remember) reminded the meeting that lady bowlers used to wear hats years ago. The evening will cost you \$15 with dinner an optional extra after the bowls. We will commence at 6pm.



**Rotary's Founder**  
**PAUL HARRIS**  
 Quote - No.13  
*"I have no hesitation in saying that world peace could be achieved and made permanent if reared on Rotary's firm foundation of friendliness, tolerance and usefulness."* – Message to the 1940 R/I Convention, Havana, Cuba.

**BIRTHDAYS**

**Sept/Oct. 2016**

- 26/09 - Paul Trevillion
- 28/09—Tamara Rumble
- 30/09 - Margaret Allen.
- 01/10 - Diana Gammon
- 01/10 - Bob Cleland
- 11/10 -Julie Medway

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**Sept/Oct 2016**

- 19/09 - Paul & Kerry Trevillion
- 16/10 - David & Heather Mayne
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