



# The PORT WHEEL

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## Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by Keith Innes. We toasted the Malibu Rotary Club, California, USA. It meets every Wednesday at 11.30am for 12 noon on the Pepperdine University campus.
- Next week's meeting is celebrating ARH annual Hat Day. It is a bare foot bowls evening and will be held at Westport Club. Usual time 5.30 for 6pm. Cost is \$15 to bowl with optional dinner at your expense after the bowling.
- On October 22, we will participate in the Garage Sale Trail using Rotary Community Hall. Either donate items for sale, or take a table for \$10 with 10% of takings to RC. Will also be selling second hand books there.
- Next social outing scheduled for November 19th. Will be the postponed river cruise on the Camden Haven. Departing wharf near LUSC at 10am sharp. Will cost \$28 pp. Lunch following at LUSC at your own expense.
- Last bulletin before Kerry returns will be written by **PDG Laurie Barber** (October 12th). Please send any info to Laurie.
- Club resignations from Aub Schulstaad and Chris Whitton

## OSCAR'S WILD ADVENTURE

Oscar and his host family have been cycling the Great Victorian Rail Trail. It is the longest continuous rail trail in Australia, following the Goulburn River Valley from Tallarook to Mansfield. The trail is 134 km in length with varying surfaces.

En route to the trail, Oscar and his host family stayed over in Canberra. They visited the War Memorial and were able to look at the outside of Parliament House, then on to the Snowy Mountains via Cooma and Tumut to Trawool. A visit by train to Melbourne followed, then the rail trail ride was commenced on Wednesday. The first destination was Yea, where they found a great photo board which, ironically, is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Yea. (Bull. Ed. comment: perhaps we could manage a similar one with a koala for Port Macquarie!).



Oscar demonstrated his prowess on a jersey cow! From Yea, they continued to Yarck, surviving numerous swooping magpies, then on to

Bonnie Doon. As a result of the recent wet weather, the tracks were water logged in some places, making it heavy going. At Bonnie Doon they all watched the AFL final (what else would you do in Victoria). They then left the track and headed uphill to Jamieson, a pretty town that served the gold fields in the 19th century. It is located on the junction of the Goulburn and Howqua rivers. The following day saw them climb more through the state forest, 13 km uphill,



then of course, 13 km downhill through rain, hail and shine. After such an exhausting leg of the trip, the last leg was an easy ride towards Mansfield. Along the way, Oscar has been introduced to some important Australian icons. Apart from the magpies, there have been pink cockatoos, 'the works' hamburgers and Tim tams. They return on Saturday, October 8th.



**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...  
Email - [rpmclubsvcs@outlook.com](mailto:rpmclubsvcs@outlook.com)**

**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 Keith Innes

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomer	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Oct 12	HAT Day for ARH Mental Health	Barefoot Bowls Westport club	Gil Padarin-Innes		Nil	Nil	Kerry Medway
Friday 14th October - RED & BLUE BALL see details in red book.							
Oct 19	Dorothea McKellar Poetry Competition	Students from High School	Gil Padarin-Innes Diana Gammon	Frank Urban	Nil	Nil	Neil Porter
Oct 26	Melbourne Cup Night		Neil Porter	David Meidling	Fred O'Toole		Kerry Medway

## Constitutional change: meeting tomorrow's need today

This week's meeting was a club assembly to discuss some constitutional changes that have been proposed by the board. RI has provided clubs with a greater degree of flexibility to meet contemporary challenges. Terry Crossley walked the club through the proposed changes, circulated prior to the meeting. President Gil moderated the discussion, which was supportive of all the changes. The only addition was to add a category to the Associate list called Corporate associate.



President Gil and Terry reinforced that any changes to the constitution do not necessarily mean that they will be implemented immediately, but provide flexibility for future boards to be attentive to club circumstances. Frank Beukers expressed appreciation on behalf of the club to Terry for the extensive work he has done.



Celebrating Hat Day at our next meeting, Wednesday, October 12th with Bare Foot Bowls at Westport Club. \$15 per person. Don't forget to wear a hat! Prizes for the best...or was that silliest hat. Optional dinner afterwards at own expense.

**THE STUDENT HEART PROJECT**  
PRESENTS

# RED & BLUE

## Fundraiser Ball

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**FRIDAY 14 OCTOBER 2016**  
**6:30PM FOR A 7:00PM DINNER**  
**PANTHERS AUDITORIUM**  
**PORT MACQUARIE**  
**FORMAL DRESS**  
**~WITH A TOUCH OF RED OR BLUE~**

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**TICKETS \$50**  
Call: Brandon on 0450 701 098

*You never know what call you're going to get*



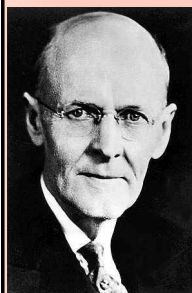
Debbie Loveday has advised us that our table only has 4 people so far. We need more people to make up our Rotary table for the Student Heart Project's Red & Blue Fundraiser Ball on Friday, October 14 at 7pm. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased by calling Brandon on 0450 701 098. Last year we had a couple of tables, so let's see if we can do well again!

### Rotary's Founder

## PAUL HARRIS

Quote - No.14

*"Is it not gratifying to know that Rotary thrives best where business standards approach nearest to the ideal?"* – The National Rotarian, June 1912



### BIRTHDAYS Sept/Oct. 2016

- 22/09 - Doug Heagney
- 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