



Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie Inc.

# The PORT WHEEL

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Website - [www.rotaryclubportmacquarie.com.au](http://www.rotaryclubportmacquarie.com.au)

## Meeting notes

- **Rotary Bowel Scan** @ Port Central from May 8 - 14th. Please roster your name on Debbie's Roster List asap. Thanks.
- **Udder Cow Social** at Comboyne on Saturday 29th April @ 12 noon Looks good. RSVP to Sam Openshaw by April 26th. 0408 235 870 & email: mentalhealthsupport@hotmail.com Thanks.
- **Inner Wheel Devonshire Tea** on Saturday 6th May. Fashions raising funds for Cord Blood Research. \$10 p/p. @ Tennyson Woods Hall, St Agnes Village, Lochinvar Place RSVP by April 26 to Margot Lee 0410 598 033 or email: m.l.lee@bigpond.net.au
- **R/I President Elect Ian H.S. Riseley to visit Port Macquarie on Monday 31st July 2017.** Note the date for the visit of the next big Rotary kahuna! Trevor Gilson from Port Macquarie West Rotary has pulled-off this big coup.

### Local Rotary Club Changeovers

(note the dates)

- May 30th - Wauchope
- June 20th - Port West
- June 24th - Port Sunrise
- June 26th - Laurieton
- **June 28th - Our Club - Port Macquarie**
- July 1st - Laurieton.

## Our Club's Spider Man!

Yes, we have our very own spider man! Frank Moxon has taken over the role of Club Website Administrator.

Frank has learnt the ropes from our previous spider man Paul Froome (whom we thank for setting-up & caring for our website).

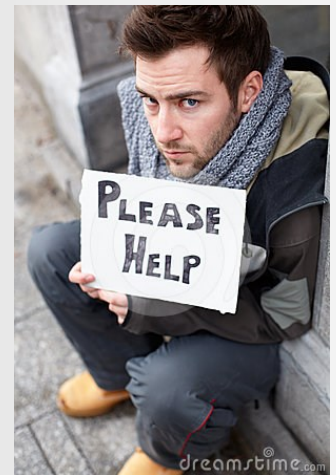
Frank has updated the website (check it out - the address is always recorded below the title mast of this bulletin). He is seeking contributions from club members. Send any info or pictures to Frank via email - [pmqrotaryweb@gmail.com](mailto:pmqrotaryweb@gmail.com) Thanks.



## Warm COATS for the HOMELESS for winter Warm COATS for the HOMELESS for winter

Check out your wardrobe & bring any warm coats for the homeless youth on our streets.

Give any coats to  
**Debbie Loveday - THANKS**  
We hope also to put one of Bill's beanies & some soap in the pockets.



**President:** Gil Padarin-Innes **Secretary:** Terry Crossley  
P. O. Box 136, Port Macquarie... NSW... 2444

**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** - Fred O'Toole.  
**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
April 26	Volunteering in India	Trish Affleck-Mooney	President Gil	Glenda Barber	Nil	Keith Innes	Neil Porter
April 30th - Club Assembly at Kempsey of ALL Incoming Club Officers for 2017 - 2018							
May 3	Emergency Svce Volunteer of Year	Ken Sherwood SES Controller	Kerry Medway	Lloyd Cross		Laurie Barber	Kerry Medway
May 8-14 - ROTARY BOWEL SCAN at Port Central..... See Deb's list for vacant roster spots. Thanks.							
May 10	Angel Flights	Pilot Clyde Stubbs	Lloyd Cross	Geoff Workman	Alan McInerney	Lyn Bowen	Lyn Bowen



## Gripping Glimpse behind the Battle Lines

**Former SAS soldier Jason Gill speaking at Panthers**  
*"I'm proud to be a soldier."*



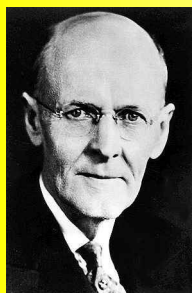
**Geoff Workman**

Tonight's joint Rotary meet saw over 150 people enthralled by a gripping talk by former SAS soldier Jason Gill. Jason served for 13 years, many in the SAS & saw tours of duty to East Timor, the Solomon Islands, Afghanistan, Iraq, Sudan, Israel, Lebanon & the Sinai Peninsula. Jason concluded his stirring talk telling us he had suffered from post traumatic stress disorder & said he would do it all again, if he had the chance. **He was proud to be a soldier.**



**President of Westport Rotary Club—Brian Hutchison & President of our club—Gil Padarin-Innes with former SAS soldier Jason Gill**

We were hosted by fellow Rotarians from Westport Rotary & the evening was put together by PDG Barry Hacker assisted by various members of the club. Guests included MPs, members from the RSL, Legacy, Inner Wheel, Air Cadets & two WW2 servicemen—Ken Thompson & Ron Walesby. Thanks Westport for a great night.



### Rotary's Founder **PAUL HARRIS**

Quote - No.34

*"Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."*  
 - Paul Harris.

### **BIRTHDAYS** **April/May 2017**

- 28/04 - Sheila (Sam) Openshaw
- 29/04 - Debbie Loveday
- 01/05 - David Mayne
- 09/05 - Julie Brown
- 11/05 - Helen Brown
- 13/05 - Frank Urban
- 15/05 - Jill Heagney
- 24/05 - Graham Bell
- 25/05 - Kenn Brown
- 30/05 - Ray White

### **ANNIVERSARIES** **April /May 2017**

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