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**Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie Inc.**

# The PORT WHEEL

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## Meeting notes

- Tonights International Toast was presented by **Keith Innes** to the Rotary Club of **Novo Mesto in Slovenia** (the home of Melania Trump wife of the US President).
- **Rotary Foundation** stuff-up. If you received a letter from the R/F addressed to some strange person at your address it was due to a clerical error. The letter was genuine. Contact Sec Terry for details on how to read the letter if like me you sent it back as an Incorrect Address.
- On **Tuesday June 13th** our club will join with Wauchope to farewell **Oscar Boyer** our shared Exchange Student



- Tonight a former **Outbound Exchange Student, Alison Massie** (nee Hewlet) visited our club. In 1986 Alison went to South Africa. She is now a member of Port Sunrise Rotary. Only Laurie Barber, Phil Brown & Kerry Medway recall Alison way back in 1986.

## Our Club Turns 70 Next Year

### 300 mark Rotary Club's 50 years

THE Rotary Club of Port Macquarie celebrated 50 years of service to the community in style on Saturday night.

More than 300 people turned out for a celebration dinner at Port Macquarie RSL Club.

Among the guests was the club's sole surviving foundation Rotarian, Bill Joscelyne who cut the celebration cake.

The dinner was chiefly organised by Gordon Milne who died recently with Brian Chown putting the final touches to the organisation of the night.

Club president Kerry Medway described the turnout as excellent, adding that there were many highlights to the event.

Along with the cutting of the anniversary cake, Mr Medway said the highlights were the presentation of two Paul Harris Fellow awards to Rotarians Phil Brown and George Roberts and the launch of a video detailing the club's 50 year history.

Mr Medway said there was an extremely positive response to the video which included more than 70 photos of

Port Macquarie and Rotary activities. Copies of the video are for sale through the club.

Along with the presentation of the Paul Harris Fellowships, Mrs Doris Debenham unveiled a plaque in memory of her husband Joe, listing all the names of the club's Paul Harris Fellows.

Guests included the widows of two of the

Port Macquarie News, Wednesday, May 27, 1998



□ Celebrating: Port Macquarie Rotary Club president Kerry Medway and Rotarian Brian Chown share a moment with Vera Milne.

club's foundation members Hazel Chapman and May Thomson, whose husbands were the charter secretary and charter sergeant-at-arms.

Representatives from other Rotary clubs from throughout the area included Brian Hole and Alan Cowan from Taree. Coincidentally, it was their fathers who were

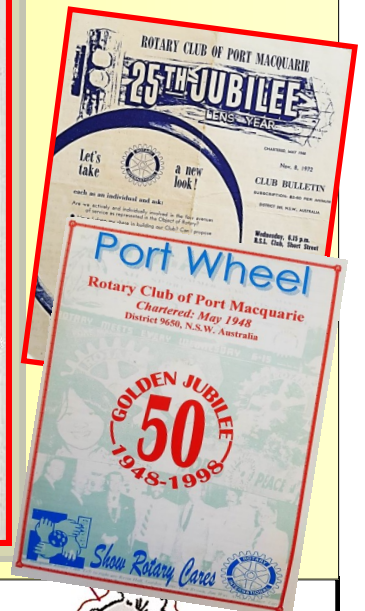
members of the Taree club which sponsored the formation of Port Macquarie club and chaired the charter meeting 50 years ago. Other guests included Governor Neville Clark, the Member for Lyne Mark Vaile, the Member for Port Macquarie Robert Oakeshott, the Mayor of Hastings Cr Frank

Harrison and representatives of a wide range of service clubs including Lionesses, Quota, Scouts, Guides, Rotaract and the Port Macquarie and Tacking Point Surf Life Saving Clubs.

Entertainment for the night was provided by the Tip Top Tappers and the Hastings Youth Choir.

On May 23rd 2018 the Port Macquarie Rotary Club will be celebrating its 70th Anniversary.

Already early planning is underway with Geoff Workman gathering historical information and incoming President Frank Beukers looking to this event as being a hi-lite of 2018. Geoff is seeking any old news-clippings or information or photos about the early days of our club. Dig into your archives & let Geoff know what you find.



**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 -** 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 30th - Club Assembly at Kempsey of ALL Incoming Club Officers for 2017 - 2018							
May 3	Emergency Svce Volunteer of Year	Kevin Sherwood SES Controller	Kerry Medway	Lloyd Cross		Laurie Barber	Kerry Medway
May 10	Angel Flights	Pilot Clyde Stubbs	Lloyd Cross	Geoff Workman	Alan McInerney	Lyn Bowen	Lyn Bowen
May 8-14	ROTARY BOWEL SCAN at Port Central..... See Deb for two vacant slots on Saturday 13th May. Thanks.						
May 17	A new book— "Purposeful"	John Carroll	Alastair Moss	Ted Giblin	Loraine Beukers	Sam Openshaw	Neil Porter

Rotary sponsored Emergency Service Award 'Volunteer of the Year' for 2016-17. On Wednesday 3rd May Special evening with some special guests  
RSVP to Keith Innes by Mon. 1st May

## Sausage Sizzling >>

At Bunnings last Saturday raising funds to assist our two Rotaractors - Brittani & Tim in their endeavours to go to Nepal for the World Rotaract Conference..

Pictured - Brittani Harris, Alan McInerney, Tim Cook, Gil Padarin-Innes & Keith Innes & Debbie Loveday



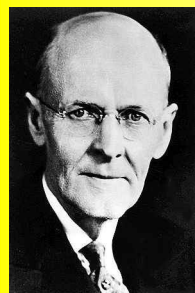
## Trish's Polio Immunisation Tour to India - January 2017

Tonight's guest speaker Trish Affleck-Evans from Port Sunrise Rotary Club shared with us

about her trip to India. (Trish is pictured with President Gil & Lyn Bowen). Trish went with two others, Alec Brown & Bobby-Jo Woods from Port Macquarie & joined a health team from 10 countries around the world in India. They were involved in immunising 100s of children against polio in Agra in India. Trish showed some moving pictures of polio victims & the amazing job Rotary has done in countries like India in eradicating polio. Only three countries are polio affected - Pakistan, Afghanistan & Nigeria & getting people immunised in these countries is nigh impossible at present due to conflicts & religious blockages. Thanks Trish



This Saturday Visit St Thomas' Church for Heritage Week  
Loryl Rumble-Fuller has invited Rotarians to inspect the old cellar & church tower from 9-30am to 1-30pm



## Rotary's Founder PAUL HARRIS

Quote - No.35

*"To me, Rotary has been something of an experimental laboratory. I have never been able to qualify as a prophet. Some of my most cherished dreams have faded away, while some of my least valued conceptions have gained vigour with the passage of time."*

THE ROTARIAN, February 1924

## 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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