

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 Laurie Barber to the Rotary Club of Tulare in Central California USA.
- Editor's Stuff-up. Apologies for getting Trish Affleck-Mooney's name wrong in last weeks Port Wheel.....Grrrrrrr !!!! Hand's-up if you didn't notice the mistake????
- Inner Wheel Fashion Parade this Saturday at 2pm Raising funds for Cord Blood Research. See Debbie if you can attend.
- Farewell to Exchange Student Oscar Boyer @ Wauchope Rotary on Tuesday 13th June,. Our meeting for the 14th has been transferred to the Wauchope meeting. Note your diaries.
- Rotary Book Sort this Saturday (6th) at 8-30am at the Rotary Community Centre. Twenty boxes to sort. See Phil Perry for more info.
- MUNA will be on June 2-4th. Our club will be sponsoring one or two teams of schoolies at this mini United Nations event.

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.

Two Outstanding Volunteers

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2017 Emergency Services 'Volunteer of the Year' Awardees - Kim Rayner (SLS - Surf Life Saving) & Bruce Beresford RFS - Rural Fire Service) with Kevin Sherwood (SES Area Controller) & Rotary President Gil Padarin-Innes. Kim & Bruce are holding the Perpetual Trophy which they will share & each received Individual Trophies & Certificates.

EMERGENCY SERVICES 'VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR' 2017 Award. Our club members examined the nominees & could only split them by 1 –2 points, so it was decided to make them joint winners. Kim Rayner from Surf Life Saving & Bruce Blackburn from the Rural Fire Services were the joint winners.

Inspector Guy Duckworth spoke of Bruce's remarkable service in the RFS, over 20,000 hours of voluntary service, including the recent ferocious fires at Pappinbarra. Bruce has worked his

way through the RFS ranks to the highest a volunteer can attain - Group Captain. **Paul Rayner** spoke of his wife Kim's amazing career as an Unpaid Professional in Surf Life Saving. From being the first woman to obtain her bronze medallion at age 16, 100's of hours on beach patrol, becoming the SLS Chief Training Officer, supervising over 1000 swimmers to gain their bronze medallions. Honoured by being the NSW SLS Facilitator of the Year.

Our guest speaker at the awards was the Area Controller of the SES (State Emergency Services) **Kevin Sherwood** who spoke of the way the various emergency services work together in training & rescues. Kevin spoke of how the local SES group with 55 members has had 420 job call-outs (storm, floods, motor vehicle accidents, etc.) in the past year. Our community is truly blessed by having such outstanding men & women working to keep our community safe.

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

at our 4th

Rotary

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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
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 one vacant slots on Saturday morning 13th May. Thanks.							
May 17	A new book— "Purposeful"	John Carroll	Alastair Moss	Ted Giblin	Loraine Beukers	David Meidling	Neil Porter
May 24	Rotary Adventure in Citizenship	???	Diana Gammon	D <mark>oug Heagne</mark> y	Dr Ray Hodgson	S <mark>am Opensha</mark> w	Kerry Medway
May 31	International Night		Gai Nixon				

Associate Members of our Club Fred O'Toole

The Board has agreed that we should have a membership category known as Associate Members There are several aspects of this membership class.

Firstly - it is a method of including members of the public who are interested in working with and assisting Rotary in its work without having the obligations of full membership.

These could be sponsors already in existence or others who are interested. If sponsors their contribution will be recognised in issues of the bulletin and on our website.

Secondly - it will involve a group of younger people who will work with us in introducing a range of younger people into the Rotary world (largely through their expertise in social media) and in recommending Club projects that will be of interest to younger members.

In both cases such Associate members will be receiving the Bulletin and other communications to keep them informed about Rotary and our Club. The Board has agreed that the first group of younger members will be inducted into the Club. (on May 10th) They will be issued with distinctive badges and will meet on a regular basis and will be invited to attend regular meetings of the club.

You are aware of the first three of these. Brittani Harris, Tim Cook and Jack Wilson.



Welcome to the Udder Cow





Pictures - Above top - Fred O' Toole outside the Udder Cow Café in Comboyne giving a 'grand welcome' on Saturday. Above - some Udder Cowers enjoying the social event organised by Sam Openshaw - Alan Openshaw, Joan & Alastair Moss, Frank (with camera) & Trish Urban, Graham & Tina Bell. Pictures by Sam Openshaw.

Left - some members of our Incoming Club Board at the District Assembly at Kempsey last Sunday - Dianna Gammon, Ray White, Gai Nixon, Glenda Barber, Debbie Loveday & Bob Cleland.

Rotary's Founder **PAUL HARRIS** Quote - No.36

"There could have been no time opportune than the beginning of the twentieth century for the genesis of such a movement as Rotary, nor any city better suited than virile. aggressive, paradoxical Chicago in which to nurture it." - My Road to Rotary

BIRTHDAYS May 2017

- 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 May 2017

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