



The PORT WHEEL

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Website - www.rotaryclubportmacquarie.com.au

Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by **Lyn Bowen** to the Rotary Club of **Victoria in Canada**
- Transfer meeting @ Wauchope on June 13 - **Farewell to Oscar Boyer**. 5-45pm for 6-15pm @ Wauchope Rotary Rooms, Oxley Lane (off Cameron St, next to Anglican Church). \$18 p/p RSVP to Keith by Friday 9th June.
- **Taree Rotary's 80th** On May 27 RSVP this week to - lesliehogarth@hotmail.com or from President Murray Difford Phone 0415 995 377 (Taree was the club that sponsored our club 69 years ago).
- Our Vocational Director **Vern Allen** has resigned from our club due to work & family commitments. Thanks Vern for your contribution over a short period.
- **Changeover details** for **Wauchope** (RSVP by May 19th) & **Port West** (RSVP by June 12) from Sec Terry

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.

Rotary Saves 650 Lives from Cancer

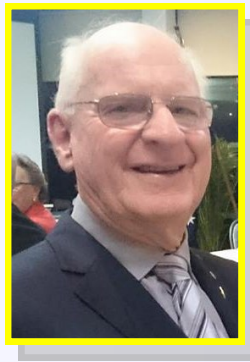
2017 will be the last year that District 9650 will be offering Bowelscan kits to the public. As well as introducing this program in this District we assisted Bowelscan programs in Alice Springs, Perth, East Gosford & Manningham in Victoria & supported other Rotary Districts.

Over the past thirty two years District 9650 Bowelscan kits have informed over 3000 patients they have polyps and extended the life of over 650 people who were detected with bowel cancer in our District through the kits.

Members of our Rotary club have given 1000s of hours manning Bowelscan Kit sales for one week each year for the past 32 years. We have enjoyed engaging with the public in such a worthwhile cause and have met several people who have told us that a Rotary Bowelscan Kit has resulted in them becoming aware of early onset of bowel cancer & they have been healed.



Graham & Val Wiggins selling Bowel Scan Kits at Port Central during our final week of sales after thirty two years. Picture taken by Sam Openshaw.



Terry Crossley's story

Our club Secretary, Terry Crossley has worked on the Bowelscan Kit Sales desk for many years. Each year Terry bought a kit. In 2006 his test showed a positive result of Stage 1 bowel cancer. This was only 12 months after his last test. Terry underwent a surgical procedure known as a right hemi colectomy which entailed removal and reconnection of a section of bowel. Because it was caught early and had not progressed to any other organs, he did not require chemo or radiation and has been cancer-free since 2006.

Terry is very concerned Rotary will no longer be making these kits available. The Federal Government has introduced a National Bowel Cancer Screening Program that will offer kits every second year for those aged between 50 & 74 by 2020. There is no way of detecting bowel cancer at Stage 1 without a colonoscopy or a test kit designed to test minute amounts of blood in the colon. Terry is concerned that this will not be often enough. In his case, if he had waited four more years before detection, his chances of survival would have fallen to 8% from 93%!!!! Terry encourages every Rotarian & the public to continue to have annual checks. Not to do so could be at our peril.

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**

President - Gil Padarin-Innes; **President-elect & Treasurer** - Frank Beukers; **Vice-President** - Lyn Bowen
Secretary - Terry Crossley;
Directors - Club - Keith Innes, **Vocational** - Kerry Medway, **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 24	Luminosity	Kate Wood-Foye & 4 youth leaders	Diana Gammon	Doug Heagney	Dr Ray Hodgson	Sam Openshaw	Kerry Medway
May 31	International ITALIAN Night	At LA ROMA, 3 Murray St. 6pm for 6-30pm Cost \$30 p/p	Gai Nixon	_____	_____	_____	_____
June 7	MUNA		Diana Gammon	???????????	_____	Terry Crossley	Neil Porter
June 13 (Tuesday)	Transfer Meeting to Wauchope	Farewell Oscar Boyer	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Tonight our Club Inducted our First three Associate Members

Fred O'Toole introduced our first three Associate members—Jack Wilson, Brittani Harris & Tim Cook. All three are outstanding young people who have attended RYLA & are steering a Hastings Rotaract Club in Port Macquarie. As Fred outlined in the bulletin 3 weeks ago it is hoped that this will introduce a new breed of Rotarians with minimal fees & commitment to attend meetings, without having the obligations of full membership. They will be encouraged to engage in Rotary projects & receive the club bulletin each week. Next week - we will feature a bio of each of these outstanding young people. Tonight we make them welcome.

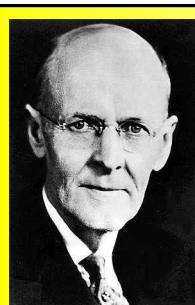
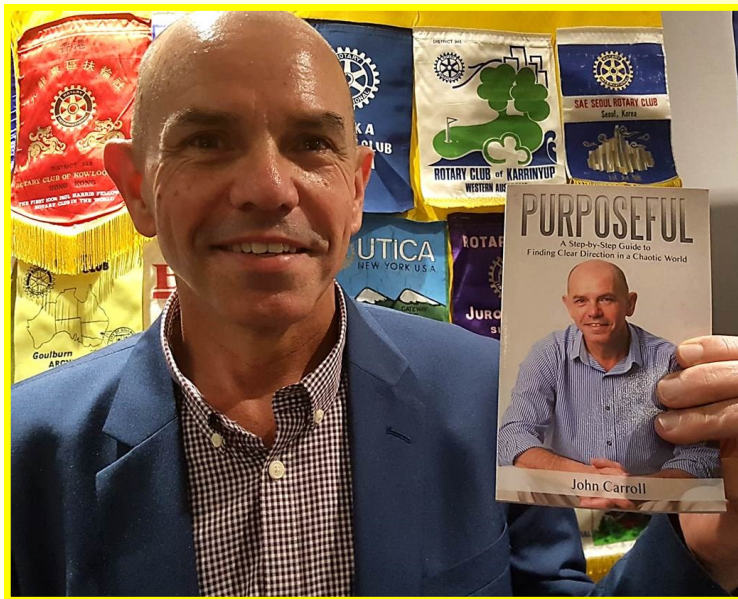


John Carroll Gets "Purposeful"!

We were greatly enthused by tonight's guest speaker, John Carroll, a former Zimbabwean who spoke on his passion of helping people to find their purpose in life. John is one our key presenters at the RYLA week (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) and has written his book "Purposeful" out of his seminars & at RYLA & training seminars he conducts.

John said, he felt his book would never be a bestseller. Dr Ray Hodgson disagreed & we all agreed that everyone young & old needs to read John's book. It will go a long way to enabling you to discover yourself & may steer you in a life-fulfilling purpose & direction. It should be a best-seller as it would make such a difference to so many.

Thanks John for an inspiring talk. Many members bought a copy of John's book (signed). Copies may be purchased for \$18-00 from - www.johncarroll.com.au
The book is also available as an E-Book.



Rotary's Founder **PAUL HARRIS**

Quote No. 38

"The future of Rotary is shrouded in expectant mystery. It is for you my new Rotarian friends to aid in the unfurling of the Rotary destiny."

- Message to 1914 RI Convention, Houston, Texas, USA.

BIRTHDAYS May/June 2017

- 24/05 - Graham Bel
- 25/05 - Kenn Brown
- 30/05 - Ray White
- 01/06 - Valda Sturrock
- 04/06 - John Sheppard
- 11/06 - Fred O'Toole
- 16/06 - Geoff Workman
- 23/06 - June O'Toole
- 30/06 - Patricia Urban

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES June 2017

- 06/06—Doug & Jill Haegney
- 24/06 - Gai & Bill Nixon