

# The PORT WHEEL

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## Meeting notes

- **Thanks** to Lyn Bowen & Valda Sturrock for four great bulletins. Well done.
- Bob Cleland asked for volunteers for our **Meals on Wheels** roster next week. Any new members interested in taking part in our monthly deliveries, please see Bob.
- **Phil Perry** advised us that the additional 12 rooms at Rotary Lodge should be ready by the end of the year.
- **K-Mart BBQ** this Saturday 14th. Starters are urgently needed to man the BBQ - 9-30am to 12 noon & 12 noon to 3pm. Contact Ray White if you can assist. Thanks.
- Next weeks meeting will be at Endeavour House. See details on page 2.
- Tickets are available from Lorraine Beukers for the fund-raising movie night on **Friday 10th November**. We need to sell 45 tickets. Lorraine is looking for volunteers from our club who are able to provide some finger food and/or nibbles & to assist with the serving. **This is not limited to the ladies alone.** See the pink book for further details.

## New Pink Ladies Transport Buggy

**Notice is hereby given of a Special General Meeting of the club's members to be held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017 at 6.10 pm.**

BACKGROUND. As recently announced by President John Sheppard, the club's Board has decided to adopt the replacement of the Pink Lady's Personal Courtesy Vehicle as the major beneficiary of the club's fund raising for this year. This vehicle is used to ferry patients around the Port Base Hospital campus and to/from Rotary Lodge. The current converted golf buggy no longer complies with OHS requirements and has reached the end of its useful life. There is therefore some urgency to replace it. The replacement vehicle cost has been quoted at \$16,000 before GST. The Pink Ladies & CWA are able to provide about \$2,000. The proceeds of the recent Golf Day raised about \$4,000 which will be directed to the project. The other Rotary Clubs in Port Macquarie have been asked to make a donation towards the remaining cost, but there is no guarantee if and when they will respond. Therefore RC of Port Macquarie could be required to underwrite whatever remaining funds are needed to pay for the vehicle in the short term. The only funds available to the club at this time of the year reside in the club's Capital account which was created for purposes such as this. However, the club's Constitution requires a Special General Meeting of members to pass a motion carried by 75% of the members present to withdraw funds from the Capital account. The balance of the club's Capital account stands at about \$55,000, but \$10,000 of this has been committed by a previous Special General Meeting to the construction of a new all-weather awning over the club's book sorting area at the Rotary Community Centre.

Therefore, at the Special General Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2017, the club's Board recommends members to consider, and if thought fit, pass the following motion:

**MOTION:** *That the members of the club authorise the Board to withdraw up to \$10,000 from the club's Capital account to fund the purchase of a replacement Pink Lady's Personal Courtesy Vehicle to be used to transport patients around the Port Base Hospital precinct.*

- Club Secretary - Terry Crossley



Buggy which will have Pink Ladies & Rotary badging placed on it.

**President:** John Sheppard; **Secretary:** Terry Crossley  
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**CLUB MEETINGS, EACH WEDNESDAY @ Port Panthers,  
5-30pm for 6pm start.**

**Apologies or bookings to Frank Beukers...**

**Email - [frank@pmr.org.au](mailto:frank@pmr.org.au) or Text—0411 468 682**

**President** - John Sheppard; **President-elect** - Vacant; **Treasurer**— Bob Cleland; **Vice-President** - Gai Nixon; **Secretary** - Terry Crossley;

**Directors - Club** - Glenda Barber; **Community** - Ray White; **Vocational** - Kerry Medway; **Past-President** - Gil Padarin-Innes; **International** - Gai Nixon; **Youth** - Diana Gammon; **Membership** - Fred O'Toole.



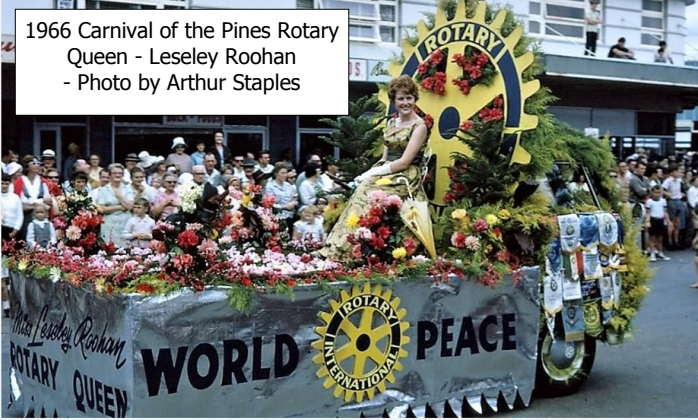
# Club program

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
Oct 18	Vocational Visit to Endeavour House	Rob Morehead	Lorraine Beukers & Sam Openshaw	_____	_____	_____	_____
Saturday 21st October - Lunch at the Riverside Tavern @ South West Rocks - See Sam Openshaw . See advert below. RSVP by 18/10/17							
Oct 25	Dorothea Mackellar Poetry	Guest Poet	Diana Gammon	Geoff Slack	_____	Mason Pritchard	Kerry Medway
Nov 1	Melbourne Cup	Racing Fun & Action	Neil Porter	Robert Rutishauser	_____	Elizabeth Fielding	Lyn Bowen

## 70th Anniversary Preparations

1966 Carnival of the Pines Rotary Queen - Leseley Roohan - Photo by Arthur Staples



### Report to the Board - 11/10/17

Have sent 95 x SAVE THE DATE reminders to past members & also to our Mayor & two local MPs & to the local Rotary Clubs & Taree Rotary (who were instrumental in chartering our club in 1948).

My search for past members has resulted in nine responses, with several more promised. I have had NO SUCCESS in finding anything on our Charter President – Allan Ryan 1948-49. Am trying the Daily Telegraph IN SEARCH column again to see if I can find any old photos & Rotary memorabilia.

Keith Uptin loaned me two photo albums belonging to his father Charles Uptin. Found a few wonderful old pics of our club from the 1950's & 60s & have copied them for our records.

In doing a google search I found a news-clipping of the Charter Night of our Club on May 23<sup>rd</sup> 1948, it's almost a full page of the paper, but sadly no pictures. It was quite a grand celebration. (Will publish excerpts in future bulletins)

Will be spending time at the P/M Museum chasing up some photographs of our club's activities in the 1960s & also intend to do a search through the old Port Macquarie News from 1947 – 1960s issues on file in the Library & see what I can discover.

Am intending to send-out Invitations at the end of January 2018.  
- Kerry Medway - Co-ordinator 70th Anniversary Celebrations



Endeavour Clubhouse

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### Vocational Visit to ENDEAVOUR CLUBHOUSE

Hastings River Drive  
(Take the 1st turn left after the HOME Improvement Centre. Before the turn into the Rotary Community Centre)

**On Wednesday 18th October 5-30 for 6pm start.**

Cost \$22-00 (includes main meal + dessert & coffee & tea)

Catered by Endeavour members.

**Note - no alcohol**

BYO soft drinks or water or there will be tea & coffee available.

Presentation/Tour of Clubhouse by Rob Moorehead.  
Our club's hosts - Lorraine Beukers & Sam Openshaw.  
**RSVP to Frank Beukers by Monday 16th. Thanks.**

### SOCIAL DAY OUT

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

at

**RIVERSIDE TAVERN - SWH WEST ROCKS**

92 New Entrance Rd, South West Rocks



Let's have some FUN FUN FUN!

WHEN

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2017

TIME

12 NOON

RSVP: 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017



Make your reservation with:

Sam Openshaw

Mobile: 0408 235 870

OR

Email: mentalhealthsupport@hotmail.com

## Quotation of the week -

A sign in the window of a store in Penrith -

***"You have two choices - take it or leave it!"***

### BIRTHDAYS

**October 2017**

- 11/10 - Julie Medway
- 11/10 - Lorraine Beukers

### WEDDING

**ANNIVERSARIES**

**October 2017**

- 16/10 - David & Heather Mayne