

The PORT WHEEL

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Meeting notes

- **Please note change** - Elizabeth Fielding is now the Attendance Officer - reply to her re attendance. See details below.
- Our **Christmas Party is on Wednesday 20th**. Come dressed in Xmas wear & be ready for an exciting end-of-year celebration.
- **Ray & Marlene White** returned home from their trip to find that Marlene's youngest brother Peter was on life-support in the Philippines. He has since died. Marlene now has lost both her brothers this year. Do pray & pass on our love to Marlene.

'Mystery Man' Found

For months we have been searching for our Club's 1st founding President Allan Ryan (pictured below right). All searches were proving fruitless until we discovered a Charlie Allan Ryan.

Our Charter President was found. Apparently Allan was called Charlie Allan, but was known as Allan.

The following is an interesting bio of Allan from the Council records.

Allan Ryan - was born in 1901 in Hay NSW.

He was a pharmacist, (his pharmacy was in Horton Street, the present site of Priceline Pharmacy) a newsagent & landowner/developer.

He married Freda Isabel Aynsley in 1932 in Sydney.

They had one son (name unknown)

Allan was Mayor of Port Macquarie 1945-47 & 1949.

He died on 5th June 1966 at his home in Killara, Sydney, aged 65.

Other notes about Allan - He contributed to land developments in Port Macquarie by encouraging subdivision. He supported the

idea of an improved water supply for PM & organised working bees to clear land for

an aerodrome. He founded a local Radio Station - 2KM in Kempsey (now 2PQQ 100.7 & ROX fm in Short St). He was an original member of the Oxley

County Council in 1943, serving as

Chairman 1948-49. He was a member of the

Hastings Masonic Lodge & held the position of Grand Master in 1941-42.

Quite an impressive figure was our founding President.

<< We are still looking for more historical Rotary photographs, especially from the 1950s & 60s.



Allan Ryan

Searching -

For Information & Photographs about the beginning of ROTARY in Port Macquarie.

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie will be celebrating its 70th Anniversary on May 23rd 2018.

Seeking any information on our founding members - Allan Ryan, 'Mac' McLaren, Clive Chapman, Bill Joscelyne, Dave Thomson, Jim Aroney, Able Artis, Les Crisp, Tom Curry, Sid Eford, Percy Hain, Lionel McNeil, Tom Reed, Steve Stephens, Bill Taylor, Charlie Uptin, 'Mac' McLaughlin, Allan Cumming & Chas Orr.

Contact - Kerry Medway

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Or any member of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie



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dent: John Sheppard; **Secretary:** Terry Crossley

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CLUB MEETINGS, EACH WEDNESDAY @ Port Panthers, 5-30pm for 6pm start.

Apologies or bookings to Elizabeth Fielding...

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President - John Sheppard; **President-elect** - John Sheppard; **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
Dec 20	Xmas Party	A FUN Night	Lorraine Beukers	Michael Lawrence	A brief Xmas message - Kerry Medway	John Oxley	Neil Porter
Dec 27	NO Rotary meeting						
Jan 3	NO Rotary meeting						

Program for January 2018

- **December 27th 2017**.....NO meeting.
 - **January 3rd 2018**.....NO meeting.
 - **Tuesday 9th** - Cluster BBQ at McInherney Park. BYO drinks and chairs.
 - **Wednesday January 17th** - Starters and Finishers at John and Mary Oxley's home, 7 Celestial Way, Port Macquarie.
 - **Wednesday January 24th** - Starters and Finishers at Ted and Robbie Giblin's home, 21 O'Briens Road, Port Macquarie.
- Information re the Starters and Finishers will be sent out early in the New Year... Glenda Barber.*
- Plus there will be no Bulletins in January. The last bulletin will be on December 20th. The first bulletin in 2018 on January 24th. - Editor Kerry

March 17th - 24th 2018



Rotary Youth Leadership Award
District 9650

at Yarrahapinni, Grassy Head.



"The best thing I never wanted to do."

www.rotary9650.org.au/ryla

Members, The Youth Committee is looking for TWO applicants for the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards in March, 2018. This prestigious program often leads to Rotaract with the possibility of future membership to Rotary. If you know of a suitable applicant through your business or family, please let me know. - Diana Gammon

Rotary Christmas Party

Wednesday 20th
December
5-30pm for
6pm
Two course meal
\$25 p/p

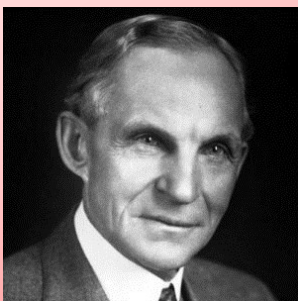


Merry Christmas!



Lorraine Beukers says - "just a reminder - come prepared to enjoy a fun evening and music, Christmas attire is optional but glum faces are not an option."
RSVP to Elizabeth Fielding by Mon 18th.

Quotation of the week -



"Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you're right!"

- Henry Ford
(Another great quote submitted by John Oxley)

BIRTHDAYS December 2017

- 15/12 - Lyn Bowen
- 21/12 - Kerry Trevillion
- 26/12 - Phil Perry
- 28/12 - Kerry Medway

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES December 2017

Nil