

The PORT WHEEL

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Meeting notes

DATES FOR 2018 -

Please note your diaries -

- **January 31st** - Club meetings resume at Panthers. Election of New Club Board
- **Rotary Park Working Bees** - February 4 & 11 - contact Lorryl Rumble for info.
- **February 7th** - Photo shoot of our club members at start of dinner meeting. Please wear your Rotary t-shirts if you have one.
- **February 16th - 18th** - STATE TOUCH FOOTBALL PARKING - Volunteers are being sought - see Ray White.
- **February 20th** - Ron Walesby's 100th Birthday celebrations at Port West Rotary Club.
- **February 22nd** - Combined Meet on Thursday with the Ugandan GSE Team. Our club will not meet on Wed, 21st.
- **February 28th** - Vocational Visit to Dahlsford Village. Organised by Julie Brown
- **March 1st - 4th** - ROTARY BOOK SALE
- **March 7th** - Youth Night - NYSF & Honeywell Engineering Students.
- **April 24th** - Transfer meeting to Westport Rotary - Anzac celebration (note Tuesday)
- **May 2nd** - Rotary Emergency Services "Volunteer of the Year" Award.
- **May 23rd** - OUR CLUB'S 70th ANNIVERSARY DINNER @ PANTHERS
- **June 27th** - Club Changeover.

Mason Leaves for Norway



On Friday 19th January our Outbound Exchange student - Mason Pritchard was farewelled at the airport. Pictured - Allan Brown - District Youth Exchange & Stephanie Brown on the District Youth Exchange Committee. Our club's Youth Director - Diana Gammon & Riley Pritchard, Mason's brother who has just returned from a Rotary Exchange in Belgium (Sponsored by the Rotary club of Port Macquarie West) . Pictured right > Mason lands in Norway after 40 hours of flights & is greeted by his host family & club counsellor.



Sunday Book Sales @ Markets

Our club has commenced selling some of our books on Sundays at the Community Markets. An inspiration from President John, the first Sunday sales almost tipped \$600. What is also good is that the huge supply of books we have stored are being sold. Pictured - Robert (Bob) & Josi Rutishauser are spruiking our books.



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 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 - 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 |
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| Jan.31st 2018 | 1st meeting @ Panthers for 2018 | Club Assembly & Board Elections | Pres. John | Doug Heagney | Phil Perry | ????????? | Kerry Medway |
| Feb. 7th | Club Photo & Guest Speaker | Grant Woodlands Mayo Home Nursing | Mavis Wallace | Michael Lawrence | Lorraine Beukers | ????????? | Lyn Bowen |
| Feb. 14th | Board Meeting | (no club meeting) | | | | | |

February 16-18 - Friday/Saturday/Sunday PARKING @ TOUCH FOOTBALL - Volunteer Roster - see Ray White

Lee - A 'Christmas Present' to Rotary



On Wednesday 20th December we had the privilege of welcoming Lee Krahe into Rotary.

Lee was born & raised in Dubbo & began her career as a teacher. In 2003 Lee completed her PhD, her thesis was titled - "The Migration, Leisure Experience & Satisfaction of Retirees." She came to Port Macquarie to do her research. Lee now has five degrees & has won a University Medal. She has been Head of Research for the Faculty of Medicine with the University of NSW. For the past five years Lee has worked for the Mid North Coast Local Health District and is currently the District's lead on the expansion of Port Macquarie Base Hospital's Mental Health Inpatient unit.

Lee is married to Jim who is a teacher & has just graduated with his Masters in Education. They have a daughter - Courtney, who first got involved with Rotary's Interact & MUNA whilst attending St Columba Anglican School here in PM. She has been on Youth Exchange in 2012 to France. Courtney has been involved in RYLA & Rotaract & recently attended the Rotaract European Meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia. She is a member of the Rotaract Club in Sydney.

Pictured above - Dr Lee Kraha (centre) with President John Sheppard & l/r - Mavis Wallace - one of Lee's mentors, husband Jim Krahe, John & Lee, Sam Openshaw, Lee's second mentor & Courtney Krahe, Jim & Lee's daughter.

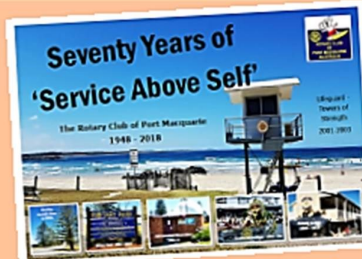
We are looking forward to getting to know Lee in Rotary.

Searching For Rotarians

past & present &/or families with past connections with the Port Macquarie Rotary Club.

In conjunction with the 70th Anniversary of PM Rotary on May 23rd 2018 an historic book is being published. We are seeking information on more than 400 Rotarians who have contributed to the community through Rotary. WANTED pictures & information.

If you can assist please contact - Kerry Medway - asap
Phone 0423 663 301 or Email: kerry@kerrymedway.org
Or by letter to P.O. Box 954, Port Macquarie.. 2444 (Or any member of PM Rotary)



STILL SEARCHING for past Rotarians. There are 395 past & present members of our Rotary Club over the past 70 years. Some members who have served for more than 20 years are still just names. But slowly, I am finding old pictures & gathering info on some great 'Rotary champions' of the past as the deadline for writing of the pictorial history looms. Sometimes I think this project is 'bigger than Ben Hur' but somehow by God's Grace & some further searching & assistance from many friends, we will succeed.

Thanks for all members who have sent in info on various aspects of our club & our history. Send in your cameos if you haven't yet!

This is a new bulletin feature requested by our President John Sheppard. Each month we will celebrate milestones of our members Rotary history

Rotary Milestones

- 15/02 - Lorraine Beukers - 1 year in Rotary
- 16/02 - Frank Urban - 22 years in Rotary (12 in this club)
- 25/02 - David Meidling - 2 years in our Rotary Club (was also with the now closed Port-on-Hastings Lunch Club)

Quotation of the week -

"The noblest art is that of making others happy."

- P.T. Barnum



BIRTHDAYS Jan/Feb 2018

- 31/01 - Narelle Moxon
- 03/02 - Diane Lawrence
- 07/02 - Lorraine Haddon
- 18/02 - Alastair Moss
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WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES February 2018

- 10/02 - Fred & June O'Toole
- 10/02 - Kerry & Julie Medway
- 15/02 - Laurie & Glenda Barber
- 21/02 - Ted & Robbie Giblin