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## The PORT WHEEL

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## **Meeting notes**

- Increase in Dinner Fees Panthers has increased the Meeting Dinner Fees by \$2-00. To cover this extra cost the Board has agreed to increase the Dinner costs to \$22-00 as from 7th March.
- Laurie & Glenda's grandson Danny won TWO Australian Cycling championships. Laurie taught him to ride on a 3-wheeler!!!!
- ANTIQUARIAN BOOK section at the Rotary Book Sale. Old & possibly valuable collectors items on a special table. Take a look.
- Anyone who can make Panthers
   @ 7-30am to unload truck HELP.
   Go via shop centre back-entrance

## Vocational Visit to Dahlsford Lifestyle Village

Thanks to Julie & Kenn Brown for hosting us for a tour of the village. Seeing the Men's Shed, visiting three homes, hearing an interesting overview from Manager Gary & to top it all off, some great food from XS Foods (wow, the pavlova was - yum! yum! YUM!).

<u>Pictured</u> - Julie Brown, Laurie & Glenda Barber, Jose Rutishauser Gai Nixon & Sandra Adams in the swimming pool centre.

Right - Marlene White, John from Men's Shed, Bill & Gai Nixon, Tina & Graham Bell & Robert Rutishauser in the Dahlsford Men's Shed. Another top visit - Julie





PORT MACQUARIE ROTARY CLUB'S

GIANT
BOXX

SALE

Friday 2rd March
10.00am -8.00pm
Saturday 3rd March
9.00am -6.00pm
Sunday 4th March
9.00am -2.00pm

PORT PANTHERS

## Changes to Club Meetings

Last year in March 2017, our club voted (72%) to make some changes to the way we are conducting our club meetings.

It was decided each month to have TWO formal meetings (1st & 3rd Wednesdays), the Club Board would meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month & the 4th Wednesday would be a social gathering or Vocational or International Evening. The two or three 5th Wednesdays in the year could be either a formal business meeting or social gathering. The Club Board adopted this program in July 2017 & agreed to run with it for 6 months.

The new program has crept into this year as it was too difficult to change coming back after the January break. Now, on Wednesday 14th March, the Club Board is to look at how successful these changes have been? If you have an opinion, please share with our President or a member of the Board BEFORE Wednesday 14th.

We look forward to feed-back. Thanks.

President: John Sheppard; Secretary: Terry Crossley P. O. Box 136, Port Macquarie... NSW... 2444

PANTHERS

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 March 2nd, 3rd, 4th - GIANT ROTARY BOOK SALE @ Panthers - spread the word 1000s books on sale. Frank Youth Science High School Diana Gammon **Neil Porter** Mar.7th Robert Gaukroger students & teacher Rutishauser Club Board Meets Mar.14th PDG Ian Dyball **Trachoma** Debbie Loveday Frank Moxon Mar.21st Kerry Medway

# **New Rotarian**



Talon Buxton was inducted into our Rotary Club last week. He was born and raised in Broken Hill. He travelled around a bit before he went to school & lived in Port Augusta, Dubbo and out in the bush for a little bit as his father worked along the dingo fence, doing regular maintenance by day and rabbit shooting by night. One of his earliest memories is with his Dad at night rabbit shooting with him, Talon had an old cork pop gun, & his Dad would tell him, " Son as soon as I shoot, you shoot too and we will see who gets the rabbit? " "We all knew who got the rabbits but at the time Talon thought he was pretty amazing, especially being able to hit a rabbit with a little toy pop gun!".

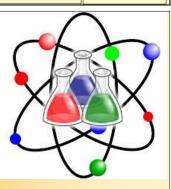
Talon loves cars, older ones especially, he has had a few old cars and his latest edition is an old V8 Mercedes 420SEL.

He moved to Port Macquarie when he was 16. His ambition was to be a motor mechanic, so he became an Electrician! Go figure! He did his apprenticeship in Port Macquarie, married Kristie & started a family & when qualified, moved to Mount Isa, He started out at Clancy Corp as a pretty green tradesman with no mining skills but with big ambitions and work ethic He knew he could become an integral part of the company. He started working as a breakdown electrician & rose to become supervising manager.

Talon & Kristie now have five children & moved back to Port Macquarie to be closer to family & to start a new electrical business CLANCY CORPORATION. Talon is excited to be part of Rotary & is looking forward to helping where he can. Welcome - Talon.

## Youth Science Night

Wednesday March 7th



Our club sponsored SIX students from Hastings Secondary College & MacKillop College to attend the prestigious NYSF (National Youth Science Forum) in January.

The students will report back on some of their exciting discoveries & say THANKS to Rotary.

RSVP to Elizabeth Fielding by Friday 2nd March Note - the new meal charge of \$22-00 p/p

Hosted by Youth Director - Diana Gammon & our Club's Youth Team.

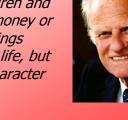


#### **Rotary Milestones**

- 1/3/2004 Bob Cleland Member of St Ives R/C for 14 years = 28 years in Rotary
- 5/3/2014 Diana Gammon - Member of SW Rocks 10 years = 13 years in Rotary
- 26/3/2012 Mavis Wallace = 6 years in Rotary
- 31/3/2010 Sheila (Sam) Openshaw
  - = 8 years in Rotary

## Quotation of the week -

"The greatest legacy one can pass on to one's children and other material things accumulated in one's life, but rather a legacy of character and faith." - Billy Graham



grandchildren is not money or

#### **BIRTHDAYS March 2018**

- 05/03 Elizabeth Field-
- 14/03 Lee Krahe
- 18/03 Ted Giblin
- 18/03 Lloyd Cross
- 19/03 David Meidling
- 30/03 Marlene White
- 31/03 Helen Crossley
- 31/03 John Oxley

#### **WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES** March 2018

- 13/03 Phil & Helen Brown
- 14/03 Terry & Helen Crossley
- 17/03 Frank & Sue Gaukroger
- 18/03 Lorraine & Frank Beukers