

# The PORT WHEEL

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## Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by **Debra Kenworthy** to the **Rotary Club of**
- **German Night** on Wed. 30th May @ Salty's Bar & Grill \$25 p/p RSVPs to Elizabeth Fielding
- **Rotary Social Lunch @ Wingham on June 2nd** at Bent on Food Café, 12 noon. RSVP to Sam Openshaw 0408 235 870 or email- mentalhealthsup-port@hotmail.com by 30th May.
- **PMQ West Rotary Changeover** on Tuesday 5th June @ Westport Bowling Club. 6pm for 6-30pm. Cost \$35 p/p.
- RSVP to Trevor Gilson by June 1st email - tcjegilson@gmail.com
- **Hastings Rotaract Changeover** Tues 12th June @ Panthers. Cost \$35 p/p. RSVP by 2nd June to - [www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=381403](http://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=381403)
- **R/C of Laurieton Changeover** Monday 18th June @ LUSC 6pm for 6-30pm. Cost \$30 p/p. RSVP by 12th June to Gordon Gray - Phone 0428 854 198 or email - scotsmangrav@ecopost.com.au
- **R/C Wingham Changeover** on June 19th @ Wingham RSL. RSVP to Peter Sayers - [psayers.wingham@ljh.com.au](mailto:psayers.wingham@ljh.com.au)
- Note - our club's Changeover is on Wed. 27th June @ Panthers.

## Next Wednesday 23rd May, we will Celebrate our 70th Anniversary

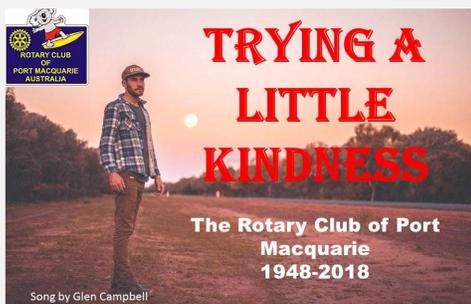
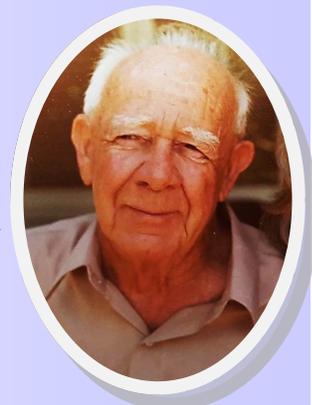
135 people, Rotarians past & present & friends & family plus visiting Rotarians are expected to celebrate the 70th Anniversary of the PMQ Rotary Club at Panthers next Wednesday.

Special guest will be Mayor Peta Pinson (pictured above right) who along with our club's President John Sheppard will launch the pictorial history of our club - SEVENTY YEARS OF 'SERVICE ABOVE SELF'. The evening will be hosted by MC Lyn Lelean & will also feature a ROLL CALL of past & former members of our club whose families are present.

Another feature of the evening will be the performance of the ROTARY SINGERS, re-jigging a rendition of the song "Little Brown Jug" which was sung by Taree Rotarians in 1948. Ted, Neil, David & Terry will be performing John Oxley's lyrics. Should be a hoot!

A new DVD production TRYING A LITTLE KINDNESS will also be premiered featuring the 'bucket loads of caring' that our club has shown over the past 70 years.

One of the hi-lites of the evening will be the presentation posthumously of a PAUL HARRIS FELLOW to the grandson of CLIVE CHAPMAN (pictured above) who was the Charter Secretary & main driver for the formation of the PMQ Rotary Club in 1948.



**President:** John Sheppard; **Secretary:** Terry Crossley  
P. O. Box 136, Port Macquarie... NSW... 2444  
**CLUB MEETINGS, EACH WEDNESDAY @ Port Panthers, 5-30pm for 6pm start.**

**Apologies or bookings to Elizabeth Fielding...**  
**Email - [efielding@csr.com.au](mailto:efielding@csr.com.au) or Text - 0407 369 512**

**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 bulletin editor

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomer	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
May 23rd	Ours club's 70th Anniversary Celebrations @ Panthers Auditorium 6pm for 6-30pm						
May 30th	International Dinner @ Saltys	German Speaker (speaking in English we hope!)	Gai Nixon	Inter committee	_____	_____	_____
June 2nd	Social Luncheon @ Bent on Food @ Wingham 12 noon ... RSVP to Sam Openshaw by May 30th						
June 6th	Westpac Rescue Helicopter	Richard McGovern	Geoff Slack	Robert Rutishauser	_____	Mavis Wallace	Neil Porter



## Hastings Education Fund

Tonight's speaker was Jim O'Brien (pictured with Geoff Slack). Jim told us about the

HEF, a great program sponsoring students wishing to further their education but lacking the financial support. First started in Boorowa where the community got together to assist two bright students who because of their family circumstances would not get an opportunity to further their education. Last year HEF raised \$72,282 & was able to support 32 students (out of 85 applications). They raise most of their funds through sponsors. To donate go to - [www.hef.org.au](http://www.hef.org.au) They are also holding a golf day on May 27 & would love Rotarian support. Jim thanked our club for its support in the past & for those Rotarians who are gold or diamond sponsors.



## Our YEP Student < Bella Groundsell

Max Wilson also spoke about his week at RYAL earlier this year & told us of the challenges & hi-lites.



Max was also a HEF sponsored student for his studies.

Bella was introduced by David Meidling. Bella is off to Walcha this weekend for YEP training & to find her country of origin. Bella is 15 & we will look forward to seeing her again.

## Pink Ladies Buggy

*THANK YOU, ROTARY! I happened to be the very first passenger at 8.45.am on the very first day of this excellent buggy's deployment. Thank you to Bill, who drove that day - a very comfortable, safe and steady ride.* - Rhonda Sampson on Facebook

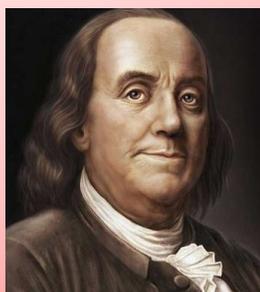


Manning the BBQ on Nurse's Appreciation Day at the PMQ Base Hospital - Terry Crossley, Fred O'Toole & Ray White.

## ROTARY MILESTONES in May 2018

- **1/5/1984 - Phil Brown** (33 years)
- **9/5/2012 - Doug Heagney** (5 years) (Doug was a member of Uralla R/C for 27 years)
- **10/5/2000 - Neil Porter** (17 years)
- **28/5/2014 - Gai Nixon** (3 years) (Gai was a member of Nerang R/C for 9 years)

## Quotation of the week -



*"An investment in education pays the best dividend."*

- Benjamin Franklin

## BIRTHDAYS May 2018

- 24/05 - Graham Bell
- 25/05 - Kenn Brown
- 30/05 - Ray White

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES May 2018

★ Don't forget to bring in your back-paks & bags for the homeless by end of May