

The PORT WHEEL

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Meeting notes

- **Bella Groundsell** our Outbound YEP student has withdrawn from the YEP program. She wanted to go to Japan & this country was not on offer in 2019. Sad, she has withdrawn so late & has denied another student a chance to go out with the Rotary Youth Exchange program.
- **Laurie & Glenda Barber's** cycling grandson had a serious accident & smashed his collarbone. He hit a dead kangaroo!
- **Hastings Heroes Robotic Team 6508** - the young people who represented the Hastings Secondary College at the World Robotic Championships in Houston will share their experience at a TEAM THANKYOU on Friday 25th May 1pm—2pm at Cassegrain Winery. RSVP to Leanne Jeffrey - Phone 6583 6400
- **Cluster Barefoot Bowls** on Sunday 3rd June BBQ Lunch from 11-30am at Port City Bowling Club. Supporting Sailability & ARH for Heart Research. RSVP by May 30th to - nparsons@hccu.com.au
- **DOB in a COP—PMQ West** Rotary is calling for nominations for the local Police Officer of the Year. For nomination forms go to - mncpooty@police.nsw.gov.au. Nominations close on May 31st.
- **Greetings from Germany** - Ian Cropper & Sandra Adams have been following all our 70th news & send greetings as they cruise down the Main & Danube Rivers.

Seventieth - a Jolly Celebration



Tonight's 70th Anniversary celebrations could be summed-up in the words of the chorus from 'Little Brown Jug' sung by the Rotary Songsters -
**"Ha ha ha! You and me
Port Macquarie Rot-ar-y"**

It was a 'jolly' occasion enjoyed by 137 Rotarians & guests. MC Lynn Lelean jogged us along with her 'jolly' prattle. There were a number of 'jolly' good toasts & responses. Jolly old friendships were renewed with many past Rotarians returning for the celebration & families of Rotarians promoted to 'Rotary heaven' coming to honour the 395 Rotarians who have made up the Port Macquarie Rotary Club over the past 70 years. Mayor Peta Pinson & President John Sheppard gave a 'jolly' good promotion of the book "Seventy Years of 'Service Above Self' as they officially launched it. The Songsters entertained us as we sang & laughed & were jolly gee-ed up by Ted, Neil, David & Terry. Our club did a 'jolly' good thing in honouring Clive Chapman with a posthumous Paul Harris Fellow presented to his grandson Peter Chapman.
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Cutting the 70th Anniversary cake. Lyn Bowen our 1st female member & President & our longest active Rotarian PDG Laurie Barber

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...

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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 bulletin editor

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomer	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
May 30th	International Dinner @ Salty's	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 Rutisha	_____	Mavis Wallace	Neil Porter
June 13th	Joint Board meeting	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

The Rotary Songsters



Ted Giblin, Terry Crossley, David Meidling & Neil Porter

International (German theme) Dinner at Salty's Bar & Grill



Next Wednesday 30th May
6pm for 6-30. Cost \$25 p/p
RSVP to Elizabeth Fielding
by Friday 25th.

70th Celebrations - THANKS



THANKS to all who made the 70th Celebrations a great success. Especially to Lorraine Beukers (organising the dinner & table decorations, along with a great team) & Elizabeth Fielding for handling all the RSVPs. Also thanks to Bob Cleland who handled all the 70th finances. Thanks to ALL our club for your contributions.



Book Launch

Mayor Peta Pinson & President John Sheppard launching the book "Seventy Years of 'Service Above Self'".

Mayor Peta said as she flew into Port Macquarie airport in the morning that she was very glad that Rotarians in 1947 had cleared the trees from the airstrip!

It was special to see several past Rotarians & family members who travelled long distances to join us.

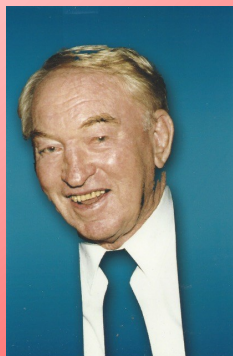
More pics & stories in next week's bulletin

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 -

"A Rotary Club's life like any other depends on a continuous process of introducing fresh blood. Without it, we stagnate like the water in a fish pond. Get new members in. Remember, this is not for building records, but for building Rotarians."



- PDG Roger Dulhunty's - report at the District Conference on PMQ's Town Green on March 7th, 1970.

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