# The PORT WHEEL

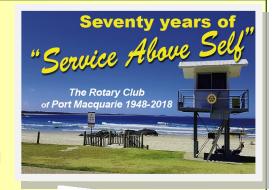
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## **Meeting notes**

Please note - whilst Elizabeth Fielding is away in the UK during February, Frank Moxon is the club contact...see RSVP details below.



Brittani Michelle is making some great contact with children & families in Nepal via the Rotary Club of Dhulikhel.

#### Rotary Stocks a Library

Our club received a request for a 1000 quality books from our Book Sale to stock



a Sydney business library. Valda Sturrock & Bob Cleland have scoured our massive second-hand book pile to find quality books suitable for a business library. The books have been freighted to Sydney at the companies expense & they have donated \$4000 to our Rotary Club.

# Old Rotary General to Lead our Club into the 2020s

At the Club elections in December last year, Bob Cleland was elected unopposed as the club President for 2019-2020. Bob joined the Rotary Club of St Ives in 1990 and held various Board positions with a particular focus on Community Service. He served as President in 1995/96. He was awarded a PHF in 1997 in recognition of his contribution to fund raising activities. In 2005 at the Club's 40th Anniversary celebrations he was awarded the Oscar as the member who had contributed the most

to the success of the Club over the past decade.

In 2003 Bob moved to Port Macquarie and joined the PMO Club. He has served as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer over many years. He has represented the Club on the Rotary Lodge Management Committee and since 2010 has served on the Rotary Community Centre Committee as Treasurer. As the Rotary representative he currently chairs the Hamilton Green Management Group. In December 2016 Bob successfully facilitated the donation to Rotary by Dick Smith of \$1million which has been used to fund the Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants program Bob chairs the management committee for this program which is committed to assisting Rotary Clubs across Australia to provide direct relief to people in need. He has played a key role in organising two District Conferences in Port Macquarie in 2007 and in 2010 and was awarded a PHF Sapphire Pin for this contribution.

As you can see our club will be in good hands under Bob's leadership into the next decade. Bob will be backed by his fiancé Valda, who has been also a great participant in our Rotary activities, especially the Rotary/Zonta Fair years ago & recently the Book Shop. . Let's get behind Bob & make our club & Rotary have an even bigger impact in our community.

**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 Frank Moxon...** Email - pamoxy@gmail.com or Text - 0413 349 144

President - John Sheppard; President-elect - Bob Cleland; Treasurer - Frank Moxon; Vice-President - Neil Porter; Secretary - Terry Crossley;

Directors - Club - Stephen Kenworthy; Community - Elizabeth Fielding; Vocational - Geoff Slack; International - Ray Hodgson; Youth - Gil Padarin-Innes; Membership - Fred O'Toole.

Club - Past District Governors - Roger Dulhunty 1969-70, Ivan Meldrum 1975-76, & Laurie Barber 2006-07.

District Governor Nominee 2020-21 - Debbie Loveday





Club program If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Lorraine Beukers & Bull- Ed-				
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alford & Lee Krahe Neil Porter				
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Fri-Sat-Sun - February 15-16-17 - Car Parking @ NSW State Touch Football @ PMQ stadium. See Roster for times & duities				
Tuesday February 19th - Cluster 3 Vocational Night—EVENING @ BILLABONG ZOO - 6pm \$25 p/p byo drinks - RSVP Feb 15th				
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## Stories Behind the Rotary Tiles at the Swimming Pool

Tonight's guest speakers were Rex & Yvonne Toomey from the Family History Society who spent six years researching the stories of the people who donated tiles for the construction of the Amenities Block for the new Swimming Pool in 1965. Rotary together

with the PMQ News sold 500 tiles & raised over \$10,000.

The Toomeys have compiled a book called TILE TALES which has 717 pages & is available from the PMQ Museum for \$60-00. Great effort.

Tonight we welcomed back our Outbound Exchange Student Mason Pritchard from Norway.

Feature story in next week's bulletin about Mason's year in Norway

#### Note these Dates - in your diary -

- February 25-27 GSE Visit from Denmark - Please see Neil Porter for information & assistance with transport.
- March 9th Bunnings Opening BBQ
- March 8-10th District Conference @ Armidale
- March 30th Fundraiser @ LUSC for Dr Ray Hodgson & Rutal Hospital in Nepal
- March 30th April 7th RYLA week. Rotary Youth Leadership Awards. Nominate a worthy young person aged between 19-27.
- April 5-6-7th, 2019 Rotary Book Sale @ Panthers.
  - May 19th District Assembly @ PMQ
  - June 26th, 2019 PMQ Rotary Club Changeover
  - June 29th District Changeover
- Phil Perry gave the International Toast to the R/C Club of Terry Hills in Sydney. Phil's old club.
- Incoming President Bob Cleland has asked for two members to step-up for the 2019-20 board— Membership Director & Assistant Club Director

#### ROTARY Milestones in February

- **16/2/2005 Frank Urban 24 years**
- A member of our club for 14 years. Previously a member of the Bathurst East R/C 1977-88
- 25/2/2015 David Meidling 15 years
- Previously a member of the Port-on-Hastings R/C from 2000 - 2011 when the club sadly closed.

# Celebrity Birthday Matches

Trying something new this year - inspired by the Rotary Sunrise Bulletin. Matching club members & partners with celebrities birthdays-

#### February 3rd - Diane Lawrence

Australian actress - Isla Fisher
Found fame in "Home & Away", now a
well-known Hollywood actress starring
in many films such as - The Great
Gatsby & latest - Arrest & Development. Married to Sacha Baron Cohen &
they have three children.



#### BIRTHDAYS February 2019

- 03/02 Diane Lawrence
- 11/02 Bett Calford
- 18/02 Alastair Moss
- 28/02 Debra Kenworthy

#### ANNIVERSARIES February 2019

- 10/02 Kerry & Julie Medway
- 10/02 Fred & June O'Toole
- 14/02 Craig & Donna Wearne
- 15/02 Laurie & Glenda Barber
- 21/02 Ted & Robbie Giblin