



The Port Wheel

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

- **President** - Bob Cleland
- **President-Elect** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **Vice President** - Glenda Barber
 - **Secretary** - Geoff Slack
 - **Treasurer** - Frank Moxon
 - **Club Service Director** - Brittani Michelle
 - **Community Service Director** - Elizabeth Fielding
 - **International Service Director** - Ray Hodgson
 - **Vocational Service Director** - Neil Porter
 - **Youth Service Director** - Gil Padarin-Innes
 - **Membership Director** - vacant
- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 6pm for 6-30pm start.
- **Apologies or bookings to - Brittani Michelle**
 - **Email - brittanimichelle94@gmail.com**
 - **Phone/text - 0474 999 022**
- **Past District Governors -**
 - Roger Dulhunty 1969-70;
 - Ivan Meldrum 1975-76;
 - Laurie Barber 2006-07;
 - District Governor Elect** - 2020-21 Debbie Loveday
 - District Governor Nominee** - 2021-22 David Mayne
- **Bulletin Editors** - Kerry Medway & Brittani Michelle

Dick Smith Donates a 2nd \$Million

A Report by Club President Bob Cleland

On Wednesday 7th August, President Bob and DGE Debbie were in Sydney for an event organised by the Rotary Club of Sydney to celebrate the success of the first stage of the Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants (RACGs) program. At this event, Dick and Pip Smith were present to hand over a second cheque for \$1million.

Dick said "Pip and I were delighted with the work done by Rotary following our last major donation in 2016. We like the idea of the Dollar - for - Dollar Grants so much that we decided to make another \$1million donation to Rotary on the same basis". RAWCS Chairman, John McClaren accepted the cheque on behalf of RAWCS.

President Bob thanked Dick and Pip on behalf of the hundreds of people who have benefited from the first donation. He said that whilst Drought Relief would be a major focus for RABS funds there are so many other people in our communities in need of help and these funds will be used to assist those who most need it.

This latest donation is a great result for Rotary and Bob, Debbie and Glenda should be complimented for initiating the Program and for the help provided to so many people as a result.

Robotics Presentation- President Bob Cleland and Diana Gammon went to Hastings Secondary College on 5th August to present a cheque for \$3000 from 2018-2019 funds, and have a closer look at the School's Robotics Program. They were met by 4 student members of the Robotics Team, 3 staff, Executive Principal Willem Holvast; Principal of Westport Campus Ian Ross and Principal of Port Macquarie Campus, Meaghan Cook. The students were very excited about the program and their recent visit to compete at Macquarie University. Note Bob receives some training." - *Story & photo by Diana Gammon*



Debbie & Bob holding a million dollar cheque



Pip & Dick Smith with Bob & Deb at the presentation

Photographs supplied by DGE Debbie Loveday



Winner of the PDG Barrie Titcume (1971-72) Trophy for best club bulletin in 2018-2019 in Rotary District 9650, Australia.

Club program

If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Brittani Michelle & Bull Editor-

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomers	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Aug 21st	NO MEETING						
Aug 28th	Vocational Meet	???????????	Neil Porter				
Sep 4th	Kokoda Trail	Scott Bailey	???????????	Lorryl Rumble	Fred O'Toole	Brittani Michelle	Kerry Medway
Sep 11th	Liberty	Brooke & Michelle	???????????	Fred O'Toole	Gai Nixon	John Sheppard	Kerry Medway
Sep 18th	???????????	???????????					
Friday 20th - Rotary Charity Golf Day - Raising Funds for Lifeline.... Details tba							

Daniel Maxwell

Our outgoing Exchange Student to Norway in 2020 (On right) with his parents Jason & Jennie Maxwell at last weeks club meeting.

Daniel will be farewelled at our December 11th youth BBQ at McInerney Park.



Note these Dates - in your diary -

- September 20th - Rotary Golf Day 2020 -
- March 20-22, 2020 - District Conference at South West Rocks
- March 26 - 29th, 2020. Rotary Book Sale
- June 12-14 - District MUNA @ Bonny Hills



International Evening Focus on Sri Lanka

Ray Hodgson our International Director (pictured right presenting a copy of our book "Seventy Years of Service Above Self" to guest speaker Madhu Fernando Obstetric Gynaecologist at Port Base Hospital, originally from Sri Lanka. Panthers cooked a Sri Lankan curry to burn your tonsils out!!!

- Tonight's **International Toast** was presented by **Ray Hodgson to the R/C of Colombo, Sri Lanka.**
- Wanted** - a back-up, back-up Bull Ed. Both Kerry & Brittani will be overseas in September. Would anyone like to have a go at producing the Port Wheel on Sept. 18th & 25th?
- RAMS (Rotary Against Malaria) National Conference** in Melbourne August 24th - 25th.
- Registrations - www.rams.rawcs.com.au

Did you hear Julie Andrews will no longer endorse cheap lipstick? It crumbles easily and makes her breath smell. She explained, "The super colour fragile lipstick gives me halitosis."



BIRTHDAYS August 2019

- 23/08 - Ian Cropper
- 29/08 - Alan Openshaw
- 29/08 - Glyn Fuller

ANNIVERSARIES August 2019

- 21/08 - Alastair & Joan Moss
- 23/08 - Graham & Tina Bell
- 28/08 - Robert & Josi Rutishauser
- 28/08 - Sheila & Alan Openshaw