

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 - John Oxley Phone - 0414135614

 Email jonoxley@bigpond.net.au
- 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

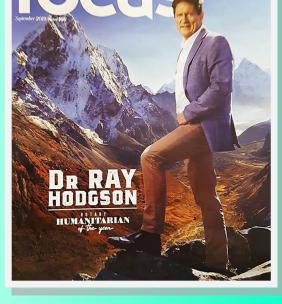
 Bulletin Editors -Kerry Medway & Brittani Michelle

Dr Ray - Rotary 'HUMANITARIAN of the Year'

Our club's International Director Ray Hodgson has featured on the front page of FOCUS. He has been featured in a page 6 story after being nominated as Rotary Zone 8 (Australia & New Zealand) Humanitarian of the Year for his work with women & children in Nepal.

Ray was surprised & delighted but believed there are many others equal to receiving this award.

Ray hopes construction on the Mothers & Babies Hospital in Dolakha will soon begin. Tenders should be announced in October. Already several members of our club are planning to be in Nepal for the grand opening of the hospital when



it is completed.. There is still \$120,000 to be raised for the constructions costs & Rotary International is going to fit-out the hospital when completed.

Ray is planning to tour New Zealand & the United States later this year and promote his book "Heartbreak in the Himalayas" which is now in its 5th reprint.

Well done Ray & great publicity for Rotary locally.





Gruelling Kokoda Trail Trek

Tonight's guest speaker was Scott Bailey founder of Anscot Safety Solutions And Training (pictured with program chair Debbie Loveday) who with his 16 year old son Connor did a 9 day trek along the infamous Kokoda Trail in New Guinea.

Scott showed dramatic pictures of the trail & gave us one of the most interesting talks we have heard this Rotary year.

With a touring party of 19 from three schools, including SCAS - St Columba
Anglican School, they struggled up the trail to 2400 metres. He told some amazing stories of battles & WW2 Aussie heroes who fought the Japanese alongside the local fuzzy wuzzies.

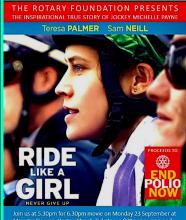
Scott intends to do it all again next year with a party of 15 from SCAS, including his second son Matthew.

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 Gai Nixon Youth Public Gil Padarin-Innes John Sheppard Kerry Medway Fred O'Toole Sep 11th Speaking Social Evening at THAI TASTIC in Horton Street. BYO 6-30pm - Info from Glenda Barber Sep 18th Friday 20th - Rotary Charity Golf Day - Raising Funds for Lifeline.... Details tba Lifeline Rep Golf Day Presen-?????????? Sep 25th tation @ Golf Club Note these Dates - in your diary -????????????? ?????????? ?????????? Oct. 2nd

Two Rotary Fundraisers -

Film Premiere





Tickets for this film premiere can be obtained via the Eventbrite website. See Elizabeth Fielding's or Bob Cleland's emails. OR Bob is going to purchase a block of tickets @ \$21-00 ea & you may reserve a seat via Bob. We hope the cinema will be packed, so get your tickets ASAP.

MORE CLUB NEWS

Rotary !

- This Saturday @ 1pm Bob & Phil are packing 8 pallets of books & sending them to a storage container at Bellbowrie Park. Help is needed.
- Community Centre Working Bee on Saturday 14th @ 8-30am. Please come & help clean-up the grounds.
- Robert Rutishuaser will be coordinating the Rotary BBQ at the golf day on 20th. He will be looking for bbq helpers.
- Guests at our meeting tonight were - John & Judy from Brisbane, Kel Walls from R/C Gunnedah West & Dianna Clark from South West Rocks.
- Next week Public Speaking

- 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



- Tonight's International Toast was presented by Kerry Medway to the R/C of Nassau in the Bahamas
- Note RSVPs John Oxley will be looking after RSVPs on September 11th & 25th
- Glenda Barber reminds us that the aborted social gathering to **Bago Winery** will now be rescheduled for Sunday 8th September from 10am.
- Saturday's Bookshop last Saturday for the first 3 hours sales were low & our income was only \$200+, then between 12 & 1pm a rush of customers including a family who spent \$93-00 & a lady \$96-00. At the end of the day sales tipped \$540-00. What an amazing job Valda Sturrock does at the shop. She saves books for people, has regulars who buy & swap. Good PR for Rotary as well as raising great funds for the community.
- Neil Porter's dad, Keith died on Monday. He was 95. Keith's funeral will be at the Beresfield Crematorium on Friday 13th. Remember & pray for Neil & Sue & Sarah at this sad time.
- Mavis Wallace has no been well. Do remember & pray for her healing.





BIRTHDAYS September 2019

- 13/09 Laurie Barber
- 14/09 Lynn Sheppard
- 14/09 Lorryl Rumble-Fuller
- 26/09 Paul Trevillion
- 28/09 Tamara Rumble

ANNIVERSARIES September 2019

- 10/09 John & Lynn Sheppard
- 19/09 Paul & Kerry Trevillion
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