



The Port Wheel

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie
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- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 6pm for 6-30pm start.
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- **Past District Governors -**
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 2021-22 David Mayne
- **Bulletin Editors -**
 Kerry Medway & Brittani Michelle

What is Rymarine?

Two weeks ago our club sponsored two 15 year olds, Aidyn Freeman & Jared Waters to a weekend of learning at RYMARINE at the R/C of Coffs Harbour Daybreak.

We heard last Wednesday that the boys had an inspiring time at Rymarine.

So what is it?

In a nutshell - it is a program run by Rotary for youth interested in marine science or related fields. The Coffs Daybreak R/C sponsor this program each year with 21 year 9-11 students invited. The residential program commences on Thursday at 5pm & runs until Sunday at 1pm. The young people stayed at the Australian Youth Hostel. Input was received from the Australian Marine Science Centre, Southern Cross University, Solitary Island Marine Park Authority, NSW Water Police, C/H Dive Centre, Solitary Island Underwater Research Group, Customs, Marine Rescue, the Fisherman's Co-op, Dolphin Marine Magic, National Parks & Lifeguard NSW.

It was an amazing insight for the boys & both were inspired to pursue marine science or the water Police as career options.



Jeff & Keiren Freeman at RYMARINE at Coffs Harbour Daybreak R/C with Thailand's cave hero Richard Harris who is also along with his co-cave rescue partner Australian of the Year. Below - Aidyn Freeman & Jared Waters 'knackered' on way home in the car after the RYMARINE weekend.



Phil Perry, DGE Debbie Loveday, DG Phil Hafey & Bronwyn & their son Nick at the Rotary Club of South West Rocks Trivia night. Raising funds for Lifeline. Dianna Gammon also attended. Picture taken 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-

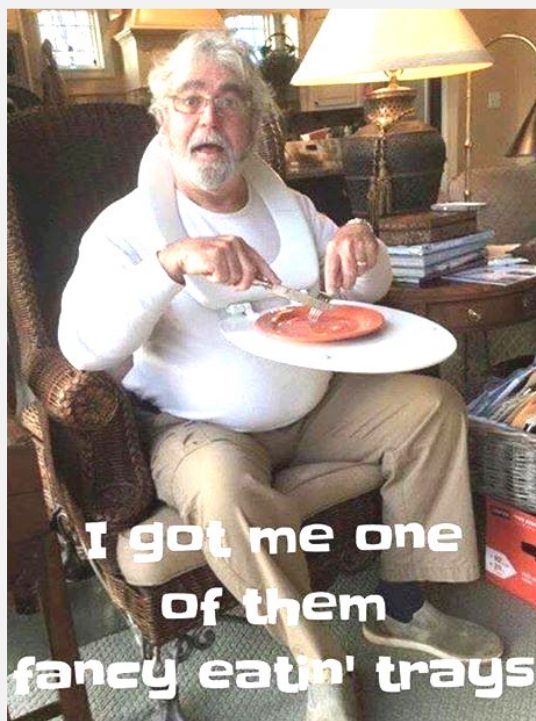
Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomers	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Nov.13	Cluster Public Speaking Final	Cluster winners	Gil Padarin-Innes	Frank Urban	_____	_____	Sandra Adams
Nov.20	Social Outing Blue Water Bar & Restaurant	6pm for 6-30pm	Glenda Barber	_____	_____	_____	_____
Nov. 27	Rotary Foundation	Ian Simpson	Sandra Adams	Debbie Loveday	Robert Rutishauser	Glenda Barber	Kerry Medway
Dec. 4th							

Col Kelahar - Life Behind Bars

Our Melbourne Cup feature night wasn't able to happen, so Neil Porter brought in one of his golfing partners Col Kelahar. Col has worked in the NSW Prison system for over 30 years. He retired in 2014 as Assistant Commissioner Northern Region. He was in charge of prisons from Windsor to the Queensland border.



Col had some great stories about such characters as Ivan Milat, the Murphy brothers who murdered Anita Coby and several other infamous prisoners. Some of Col's stories were shocking, but he mixed them with some laconic humour. Col designed Goulburn's Super Max Prison, he worked at June's privately owned prison. He had some great insights into the NSW prison system. One story Col told was when he was in charge at Goulburn & they had four murders in Number 7 section. The Prison's Commissioner Ron Woodham called as Col had just been attending to one of the victims & answered the phone covered in blood. The Commissioner let it be known in colourful language he wanted no more deaths in Section 7 or else he would come down & run the gaol himself!!!! After Col got off the phone, one of the prison guards said what will we do? Col said, "Go out and change the numbers on the Prison sections"!!!!



I got me one of them fancy eatin' trays

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Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **December 6-7-8 - Junior Touch Football car parking**
- **February 14-15-16 - Senior Touch Football parking**
- **March 20-22, 2020 - District Conference at South West Rocks**
- **March 26 - 29th, 2020. Rotary Book Sale**
 - May 2nd - 9th - RYLA
- **June 12-14 - District MUNA @ Bonny Hills**



- Tonight's **International Toast** was presented by **John Oxley for the R/C of Harpenden Village** in Hertfordshire England.
- **Gerald Haynes** gave an interesting 3-on-me tonight speaking about the Isle of Man where he & Hazel were married & grew up.
- The **next book sort** at the Rotary Community Centre is scheduled for November 28th from 1-30pm. Many good sorters needed!!!! Contact Valda Sturrock for more info.
- Tonight we also had the President of PMQ Sunrise Rotary **Carolyn Ireland** share with us the plans for the construction of **the new Observatory on Rotary Park**. Carolyn is sending the details & we will feature with more detail these exciting plans which are at present at Council for DA.
- Note - there will be **no club bulletin next week**. Kerry is away & we don't have a back-up bull-ed. Next bulletin will be on November 20th.

BIRTHDAYS November 2019

- 08/11 - Robyn Giblin
- 10/11 - Sue Porter
- 10/11 - Brian Calford
- 17/11 - Gerald Haynes
- 22/11 - Bill Nixon
- 22/11 - Terry Crossley
- 25/11 - Ray Hodgson

ANNIVERSARIES November 2019

- 17/11 - Adam & Tamara Rumble
- 25/11 - Frank & Narelle Moxon