



The Port Wheel

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie
P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie
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- **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 - Elizabeth Fielding**
Phone - 0407 369 512
 - **Email - fielding.ej@gmail.com**
- **Club Bank Details**
BSB 932-000
a/c 500 186 792
- **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 Editor** - Kerry Medway

Wishing all our Club Members and their families & friends

A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS & A GREAT 'ROTARY' NEW YEAR

President Bob Cleland & Valda & the Rotary Board



Julie Brown has Announced her Retirement from Rotary

Julie a schoolteacher, has been a member of our Rotary Club for 12 years. She was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2012. Up until recent years when she & husband Kenn have been travelling, Julie has been an outstanding Rotarian getting involved in many of the club's activities and especially the Inbound Exchange Student program.

*Dear President Bob,
I am submitting my retirement as a member of Rotary as of 31st December 2019.*

I first began community service at the age of 16, helping with art activities for Downs Syndrome children at Janfield Institution in Bundoora Victoria. Since that time, I have been involved in different organisations at different stages of my life. These have included Surf Life Saving, Camp Quality, Ronald McDonald House, Make a Wish Foundation, Special Olympics, Pink Ladies, CWA and other sport and work-related organisations. So now after 50 years of these contributions to community it is time to scale down as Kenn and I have even more travel plans for the future.

I have enjoyed my time with Rotary; in particular the exchange students we hosted and my time in Vanuatu, painting a school. The Rotary Community Centre has also played a big part of my volunteer work with Rotary over the last eleven years and it is one job I am happy to help with when home in Port and not travelling around Australia in our caravan.

I thank members for their friendship over the years and wish the club well into the future. Regards - Julie Brown.

THANKYOU JULIE



Julie Brown with Exchange Student - Anita Pescatore from Italy in 2012.

This will be the final bulletin for 2019 until January 29th, 2020

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 & Bull Editor - Kerry Medway

December 25th - Christmas Day & January 1st - New Years Day - NO ROTARY MEETINGS

- **Starters & Finishers in January 2020** (Note - please BYO drinks)
February 5th - First Club meeting back at Panthers - 6pm for 6-30pm

January 8th - Lunch at Deb Lovedays 36 Secombe Lane Redbank 11.30am onwards –
RSVP Ph: 0418298912 E: dloveday@hdl.com.au Starters surnames A-L Finishers M-Z

TUESDAY 14th - Cluster BBQ McInherney Park 6pm
RSVP Elizabeth Fielding – Ph: 0407 369 512 E: fielding.ej@gmail.com

January 22nd - Geoff and Lynn Slack Evening 17 Moondara Terrace Port Macquarie 5.30pm onwards RSVP
Geoff and Lynn. Ph: 0428 583 168 E: au.geoff.slack@gmail.com Starters surnames M-Z Finishers A-L

January 29th - Diana Gammon 28A The Promenade Port Macquarie 5.30pm onwards
RSVP Ph: 65836366 E: dianagammon@hotmail.com Starters surnames A-N Finishers O-Z

Tonight's Christmas Celebrations

A great party was held tonight thanks to Debbie, Glenda, Gill, Diana & Elizabeth. Helen Crossley (an angel with her wings fallen-off) with Terry won the best-dressed female. David Mayne won the best-dressed male. Narelle Moxon read a Helen Steiner-Rice poem & Kerry gave a short Christmas message. Deb's Christmas Quiz stumped us all except the Rotaract & Youth table who won the chockies.

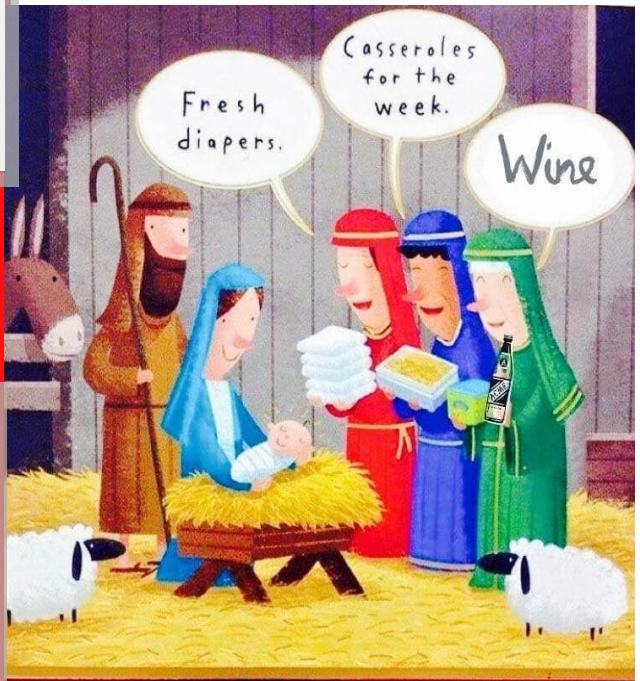


Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **February 5th - 1st club meeting back at Panthers**
- **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**

Elizabeth has two more for her team

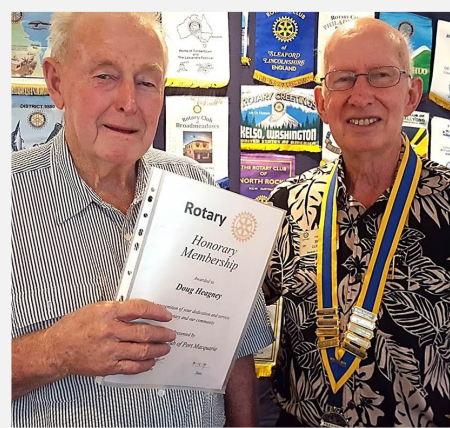
Incoming President Elizabeth Fielding reported that she has had two new directors for the coming year - Youth & Club. She is still in need of a Community Services Director.



After the Three Wise Men left, the Three Wiser Women arrived.

Doug made an Honorary Member

President Bob inducted Doug Heagney as an Honorary Member. Doug had to retire due to ill health. He was a Rotarian for 34 years, 27 at Walcha & 7 years at our club. Welcome back Doug.



DG attends our Christmas Party

Was a pleasure to have District Governor Phil Hafey & Bronwyn visit us for the evening. An honour considering their very busy schedule. Thanks Phil & Bronwyn



BIRTHDAYS Dec.2019 /Jan.2020

- 21/12 - Kerry Trevillion
- 26/12 - Phil Perry
- 28/12 - Kerry Medway
- 05/01 - Tina Bell
- 13/01 - Sandra Adams
- 23/01 - Neil Porter
- 31/01 - Narelle Moxon

ANNIVERSARIES Dec. 2019 /Jan.2020

- 15/01 - Darryl & Barbara McMahon