



# 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** - Debbie Loveday (acting)
- **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](mailto: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



## A Report on the Club Assembly - President Bob Cleland

Tonight's meeting was a lively affair with 25 members in attendance and key matters discussed. DGN David Mayne provided an update on the difficult discussions taking place regarding RI's desire for our District to merge with District 9670. This is currently proposed to take place on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022, immediately following David's term as District 9650 Governor. Logic suggests that it may be appropriate for him to continue with a second term as DG to facilitate a smooth transition. As a result, the Club agreed to nominate David for the position of DG 2022/23 in the event that the merger proceeds.

The issue of meeting frequency was raised and we were reminded that in April 2017 the Club had passed a motion that, "from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017, the Club would move to a monthly meeting format of two dinner meetings per month, and further, that the remaining weeks of each month be set down for Board meetings, Committee meetings, vocational visits and social events". After much discussion, it was agreed that the Board should review the meeting format and report back to the Club with a recommendation and for further discussion and, if deemed necessary to revise the current format of the Club Program.

On a question regarding fundraising and community support Pres Bob explained that he was not in favour of waiting to the end of the year to distribute funds raised when the need for support existed throughout the year. He said that the Club had already distributed over \$21,500 to needy causes and he would expect there to be a further \$30,000 plus (depending on the success of the Book Sale) to be available for allocation in the next couple of months. He was open to suggestions for worthy causes. Hands on Community support was discussed and will be the subject of a further report.



Sam's Natty Knitters celebrate their 1st Birthday. The group meets to knit for the homeless. They will have some of their garments for sale at the Rotary Book Sale.

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

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomers	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Mar. 18th	Social Evening.....	Visit to CAFÉ 66 (upstairs)	RSVP to Glenda Barber				
Mar. 25th	The Age Well Process	John Oxley	John Oxley	Sam Openshaw	Ted Giblin	Neil Porter	Neil Porter
March 27-28-29th GIANT ROTARY BOOK SALE @ Panthers.... Please book yourself in on the roster from Thurs 26							
Apr. 1st	Youth Exchange in New Orleans	Glen Freeman	Elizabeth Fielding	Diana Gammon	Gil Padarin-Innes	Debbie Loveday	Kerry Medway

A Celebration of the Life of -  
**Beverley Joan Gott**  
 (known as 'Jo')  
 1932 - 2020



Married to Cliff Gott for almost 50 years (1953-2003) A remarkable woman, founded CWA in Port Macquarie, Deputy Mayor, actively supported Cliff in Rotary for 48 years. Survived by her daughters - Debbie & Judy, 'Nanna' to four grandchildren - Krizina, Daniel, Susan & Tim & 'Grandie' to three great-grandchildren - LJ, Luka & Kaylee.

REST IN PEACE

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 Funeral Arrangements Are In The Caring Hands of Hastings Funerals. Phone: 02 6582 1266

The wife of one of the longest serving Rotarians in our club Cliff Gott has died & her funeral was on Friday. Cliff was a member from 1995-2003, President in 1963-64 & a very active Rotarian. He was still doing Rotary stuff the week he died. As PDG Laurie Barber said at Cliff's funeral in 2003, "He died with his Rotary boots on!" Jo was a great support & was a remarkable woman in her own right. She is survived by daughters Debbie & Judie.

## Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **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**

## Club NEWS

### Club Changeover dates :

- Port West – Tuesday 2nd June 2020
- Laurieton – Monday 22nd June 2020
- Wauchope – Tuesday 16th June 2020
- Sunrise – Saturday 20th June 2020
- Port Macquarie – Wednesday 24th June 2020 •
- Rotaract – Tuesday 23rd June 2020 • District – 27th June 2020



## Registered for Conference - Yet?

Come for a day or for the whole conference. Always inspiring. Register with -  
 Barbara Jackson  
 Phone - 0409569778  
 barbarajackson12@gmail.com

# MONSTER GARAGE SALE

FRIDAY 13TH MARCH 7:30AM TO 3PM  
 SATURDAY 14TH MARCH 7:30AM TO 1PM



**FARMER JOE'S PANTRY**  
 A helping hand for our farmers

**NOTHING OVER \$5.00**

Babies & Kids clothing & shoes \$1

Adult Clothing & shoes \$2

Bric a Brac \$1 • Linen \$1-\$5

Toys \$1-\$5 • Camping Gear • Suitcases

Rear Shed at **AQUASONIC**  
 14 COMMERCE ST WAUCHOPE

PORT MACQUARIE ROTARY CLUB'S

# GIANT BOOK SALE

**3 DAYS ONLY!**

Friday March 27  
 9:00am to 6:00pm  
 Saturday March 28  
 9:00am to 6:00pm  
 Sunday March 29  
 9:00am to 1:00pm

PANTHERS AUDITORIUM  
 PANTHERS PORT MACQUARIE

### BIRTHDAYS March 2020

- 18/03 - Ted Giblin
- 31/03 - John Oxley
- 31/03 - Helen Crossley

### ANNIVERSARIES March 2020

- 13/03 - Phil & Helen Brown
- 14/03 - Terry & Helen Crossley
- 17/03 - Frank & Sue Gaukroger