



# The Port Wheel

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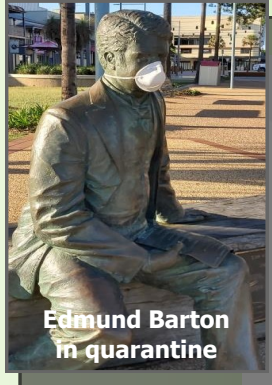
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**The Rotary Club of Port  
Macquarie**  
P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie  
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- **President** - Bob Cleland
- **President-Elect** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **Vice President** - Glenda Barber
  - **Secretary** - Geoff Slack
  - **Treasurer** - Frank Moxon
  - **Club Service Director** -  
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**  
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- **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 Covid-19 Positive

**You can still make  
something beautiful and  
something powerful out  
of a really bad situation.**

-GABE GRUNEWALD

## Update from the Club Board

Dear Members,

The Board met on Wednesday and discussed the many issues regarding the ongoing management of the Club. The following decisions were taken:

1. The Club will not meet during April.
2. The Board will meet again on 22nd April, 2020 to review the situation at that time.
3. The Board will meet on 22nd April by way of Zoom meeting. The Club will register with Zoom and pay any required fees.
3. Should the Club be unable to meet as normal at Panthers after 22nd April then it is proposed that each Wednesday we have a Zoom meeting with all members. Instruction will be issued to all members as to how to connect to Zoom so that everyone has the opportunity to participate and share fellowship.
4. The book shop to open on Friday and Saturday (now past) and will reopen at a date to be determined.
5. The club will work towards conducting the changeover in June. However planning is to proceed on the basis of club members and partners being involved. The Board considered that we should not send invitations out in the normal course but restrict the changeover as stated. The situation could of course change in sufficient time for other guests to be invited including other Clubs and if that is the case the Board could alter arrangements. If the situation is such that a dinner meeting is not possible then a Zoom changeover is a possibility.
6. The Board will review Membership dues having regard to how the present situation unfolds.

It is important that members keep in touch. If you have a problem please do not hesitate to contact any other member. If you don't have any problems still keep in touch. Emails are fine. Remember Rotary is about helping people and that includes Members. If you hear of any member who needs help please let other members know so that everyone knows that help is required. Take care and look forward to better times ahead.

Yours in Rotary

Geoff Slack - Secretary of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie.

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
Apr. 1st	Youth Exchange in New Orleans	Glen Freeman	Elizabeth Fielding	Diana Gammon			Sandra Adams Kerry Medway & PRE-EASTER MINUTE
Apr. 8th	Tidal Pool						
Apr. 15th							
		Kathryn Butler	Sheila Openshaw	Mavis Wallace	Padarin Innes Darryl McMahon	Gil Debbie Loveday Geoff Slack	

All club meetings are CANCELLED for the month of April

## Our Cluster receives 8 Awards from District 9650

Although the District Conference had to be cancelled, the District Committee has announced the club awards & trophy recipients.. We are thrilled to announce that our club received three and the local Cluster eight awards.

- **Port Macquarie West R/C**- the youngest Rotarian in attendance (registered to attend) - Brendan Seed.
- **Port Macquarie Sunrise R/C**- Most first-time Attendees (registered to attend)
- **Laurieton R/C** - Youth Service - promotion & participation by Upper Primary students.
- **Port Macquarie R/C** - Rotary Foundation award - STEM Robotics project - well done Diana.
- **Port Macquarie & Port Macquarie West R/Cs** - joint winners World Community Service - PMQ in Nepal & the Insulin Pump & PMQ West - drought relief.
- **Wauchope R/C** - RI Significant Achievement Award - the Off-Leash Dog Park
  - **Wauchope R/C** - Annual Report
  - **Wauchope R/C** - Club Bulletin.
  - Congratulations to Annette Melberzs for creating an outstanding club bulletin for Wauchope each week. A well deserved winner.



## Laura moving to South Australia

Laura Telford has been one of the great promoters of Rotaract and a journalist with the Port Macquarie News. She is moving on in her career to South Australia. We will miss her greatly & wish her every success in her career move. < Laura is pictured with her PHF awarded at Westport R/C last year. Thanks Laura for all you have done to promote Rotary & Rotaract.

## Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **May 2nd - 9th - RYLA**
- **June 12-14 - District MUNA @ Bonny Hills**
- **September 18 - Rotary Golf Day**



- Our **Rotary Bookshop** was open last Friday & Saturday mornings & sold \$430 worth of books. Lots of book sorting was done by Valda & the voluntary team. The bookshop is now closed until further notice.

## BIRTHDAYS April 2020

- 09/04 - Gai Nixon
- 18/04 - Mary Oxley
- 28/04 - Sheila Openshaw
- 29/04 - Debbie Loveday

## ANNIVERSARIES April 2020

- 11/04 - Frank & Patricia Urban
- 19/04 - John & Mary Oxley

