



The Port Wheel

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- **Community Service Director** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **International Service Director** - Ray Hodgson
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- **Membership Director** - vacant
 - Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 6pm for 6-30pm start.
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 - **Past District Governors -**
 Roger Dulhunty 1969-70;
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District Governor Elect -
 2020-21 Debbie Loveday
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 2021-22 David Mayne
 - **Bulletin Editor -**
 Kerry Medway

Lenia Collier
 Rotary
 2019/20

GERMANY



Lenia meets one of the locals at the Billabong Zoo.

Club's first Zoom Guest Speaker - Lenia Collier

Twenty seven people tuned in to Zoom for last Wednesday's meeting.

Our German inbound Exchange Student shared some of the hi-lites of her 10 months in Australia.

Lenia arrived last year and was hosted by the R/C of Wauchope for the first 6 months. She has been attending St Joseph's Regional

School. Her first host parents lived out of Wauchope, so she got to experience real Aussie country culture first-up. They took her on a wonderful tour of Lightning Ridge, the Warrambungles and Dubbo in October 2019. Lenia then moved to her second host family David & Lyn Meidling & enjoyed their spectacular coastline view. The Miedlings took Lenia to Sydney & South West Rocks. Her third host family were the Smiths who lived at Dunbogan. They took her to New Zealand for Christmas & New Year. Lenia's first Christmas in the Southern Hemisphere & without snow!!!!

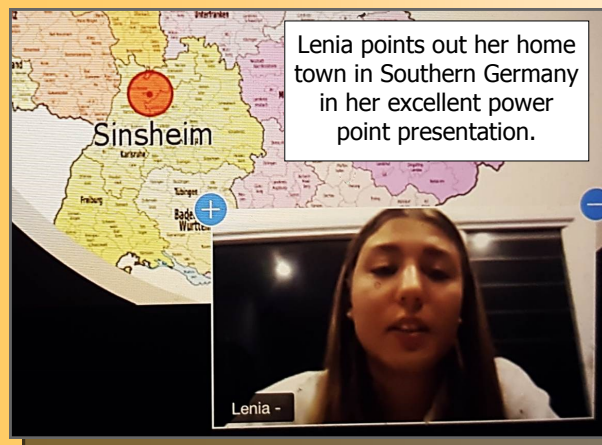
Three weeks ago Lenia moved to her fourth host family the Gammons. Lots of adventures had been planned, but these have had to be cancelled due to the Corona Virus lock-down. Lenia's biggest disappointment was missing out on the round Australia Rotary Youth Safari with the other students in the district. This was very disappointing. But Lenia is already planning a return in years to come and hopefully will get to see Australia's red centre.

In two months Lenia will return home to her home town of Sinsheim in Germany and complete her schooling. She hopes to attend University and wants to continue travel.

We were all impressed at Lenia's grasp of English & the confidence of a young lady just 16 years old.

Thanks Lenia.

Thanks Rotarians & friends.



Lenia points out her home town in Southern Germany in her excellent power point presentation.

Lenia -

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	Speak-	er	Pro-
<div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 10px; transform: rotate(-5deg); background-color: #f08080;"> <p>Club meetings will be via ZOOM on internet in May.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 6th - 6pm International speaker - Ray Hodgson organising • May 13th - 6pm Dr Sharon Sykes - Domestic Violence • May 20th - Board meeting - including incoming board members </div>				

WOOL URGENTLY NEEDED

Based in Port Macquarie, Sam's Natty Knitters have been meeting on Mondays for just on 12 months. This is a group of 20 or so women who have been busy knitting a wide range of products and donating them to many community groups in the Hastings area. In particular, Women's Refuges, Homeless Support



Groups and Soup Kitchens have greatly appreciated being able to pass these on to their clients.

Although social distancing currently prevents the group from meeting in person, their productivity has increased as the knitters are stuck at home!

Wool of any variety is urgently needed to keep this work going and with winter fast approaching, the need for woollen clothing - in particular hats, beanies, gloves and scarves - will be needed more than ever.

If you can help please let Sam Openshaw (0408 235 870) or Elizabeth Fielding (0407 369 512) know and they will be more than happy to collect any donations. - Bob Cleland - President

Working Bee at Community Centre

This Wednesday (6th) from 8-30am. Trailer of mulch - bring a shovel & bucket. Restrain verandah. Paint stairs. Paint supplied.

Rotary Bookshop Needs More Books

Bob & Valda are opening the bookshop this Saturday from 9am-1pm. If you have any good books, please drop-in on Saturday.

Social distancing rules will apply. Thanks.



Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **August 15 - 22 - RYLA (new date)**
- **September 18 - Rotary Golf Day**

Club NEWS

Yaaaay, we have a winner

Ian Cropper answered both mysteries correctly. Two sheets of toilet paper are in the mail!

Special mention to Joan Moss who answered the first mystery and gave two great answers for the second, even if they weren't the right ones. Joan answered - 'freezing out' & 'it's freezing outside'. Am sending one sheet of toilet paper for Joan's efforts.

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ANSWERS -
7. World without end
8. Freezing point

This week's MYSTERY SAYINGS

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Twins safely home

Karl & Elaine Mosby reported that their grandchildren, twins - Anaiah & Julian are home from hospital. Thanking God. Karl & Elaine are in Sydney with family.

BIRTHDAYS May 2020

- 11/05 - Helen Brown
- 13/05 - Frank Urban
- 15/05 - Jill Heagney

ANNIVERSARIES May 2020

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