



Rotary Opens Opportunities



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- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start.
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- **Club Bank Details**
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- **Past District Governors -**
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- **Bulletin Editor**
- Kerry Medway
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Meet our latest club member

Rod McCormick was born in Bankstown Hospital at a very early age. Same hospital as the famous cricketers Steve & Mark Waugh & former Prime Minister Paul Keating. He attended De La Salle Boys School at Orange.



Rod McCormick



He commenced work as a welder, then worked his way up the ranks to management at the huge whitegoods manufacturer in Orange, Email. He then dabbled in Real Estate in Orange before moving to Port Macquarie in 2004. He worked in three Real Estate Agencies before forming his own McCormick R/E. He then worked at the Telstra Business Centre and

moved to Miedecke Motors. Rod recently stepped into the Funeral business becoming the Location Manager at Hastings District Funerals.

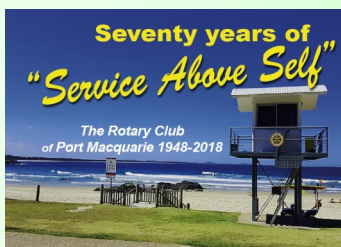
Rod has three sons - Ethan 22, Caleb 19 & Ollie 9. He has a partner Jane who is a Beautician at Forster/Tuncurry. (Pictured above left).

He has had a long career in football playing Rugby League and winning five premierships. His most recent football dalliance was with the Hastings Valley Vikings winning the local Rugby second grade six years ago. (Rod is pictured below on right celebrating at Oxley Oval after the win).

Rod's other great passion beside Jane and his boys, is his Harley Davidson 1200 Custom motorbike. Last Sunday he rode to the Harrington Hotel for lunch.

Rod joined Rotary because he wishes to be involved in the community & sees Rotary as a great way to assist people. He is impressed with the fund-raising efforts of Rotary & the way Rotary helps people locally & worldwide.

Thanks Rod. We look forward to working with you in Rotary.



In our 73rd Year

THE HOME OF OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR



Club program

If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Bull Editor - Kerry Medway

Date	Program	Speaker	Program Chair	Welcomer	My Story/Fascinating	International	Sergeant
Feb. 10th	Solar Suitcase	Darcy Geale R/C Salamander	Bob Cleland	Glenda Barber	Facts Robert Rutishauser	Toast Kerry Medway	Sandra Adams
Feb. 17th	Social Meet BLUE WATER Café	<i>See details below</i>	Glenda Barber				
February 19 - 20 -21 TOUCH FOOTBALL Car parking.....see DG Debbie Loveday for roster help.							
Feb. 24th	Bush Tucker	Uncle Bill - Biripai	Brian Calford	Diana Gammon	Geoff Slack	Alastair Moss	Neil Porter

District Conference Registrations by February 14

<https://www.rotary9650.org.au/district-conference>



Dr Ray Hodgson knocks the stuffing out of Covid myths

Tonight's ZOOM meeting was one of the best we have had. Ray Hodgson stepped in to fill the shoes of our expected guest speaker and absolutely nailed it.

Ray's topic was titled - LIFE IN THE TIMES OF CORONA.

In a very interesting talk filled with facts (not gossip or fake news) sharing some sobering truths about the virus. Ray also shared some fascinating facts regarding the pending vaccines due to be released in Australia expected in a few weeks. We were so blessed to hear much very interesting information about the virus, the effectiveness of masks & social distancing, the effectiveness of lockdowns and how tragic it has been in countries around the world who have not treated the virus seriously.

Ray believes it is to our advantage that we wait for the vaccine roll-out as the medical world is gaining so much more information day by day.

1000s need to hear Ray's talk. Lets hope he gets to share this talk again & again!

Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **February 19-20-21 - Touch Football car parking**
- **March 10th - NYSF Youth Science night**
- **March 12 - 14 , 2021 - District 9650 Conference in Port Macquarie**
- **March 26-28 - Book Sale**

Club NEWS

DG Debbie has only half of the Touch Footie Roster filled - Rotarians & partners please let Debbie know if you can do a shift or two or three!

Which wonderful club member fell sound asleep in Dr Ray's talk? Mavis was very concerned & thought he was dead. But at the end his head popped-up!!!!



Our Club's next Social Outing - Wed. 17th Feb. 6pm



@ Ocean Street off Pacific Drive PMQ
 RSVP to Glenda Barber 0412 616 183 by Noon Sunday 14th
 Or email: gbarber@midcoast.com.au
Great food & great night out

BIRTHDAYS February 2021

- 11/02 - Bett Calford
- 18/02 - Alastair Moss

ANNIVERSARIES February 2021

- 10/02 - Kerry & Julie Medway
- 10/02 - Fred & June O'Toole

- 14/02 - Craig & Donna Wearne
- 15/02 - Laurie & Glenda Barber
- 21/02 - Ted & Robbie Giblin