



Rotary Opens Opportunities



# THE PORT WHEEL

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## The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie NSW 2444

- **President** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **President-Elect** - Frank Moxon
- **Immediate Past President** - Bob Cleland
- **Vice President** - Glenda Barber
- **Secretary** - Geoff Slack
- **Treasurer** - Frank Moxon
- **Club Service Director** - John Oxley
- **Community Service Director** - Phil Perry
- **International Service Director** - Ray Hodgson
- **Vocational Service Director** - Neil Porter
- **Youth Service Director** - Diana Gammon
- **Membership Director** -
- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start.
- **Apologies or bookings to - Sam Openshaw**
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- **Club Bank Details**  
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- **Past District Governors -**  
Roger Dulhunty 1969-70;  
Ivan Meldrum 1975-76;  
Laurie Barber 2006-07;  
**District Governor** - 2020-21  
Debbie Loveday  
**District Governor Elect** - 2021-22  
David Mayne
- **Bulletin Editor**  
- Kerry Medway  
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## The things Rotary does to Raise a Buck!!!

Last weekend we assisted with car parking at the NSW Junior Touch Football Titles. On the Saturday it poured rain & the footie was postponed until lunch-time. But still rain cascaded down!!

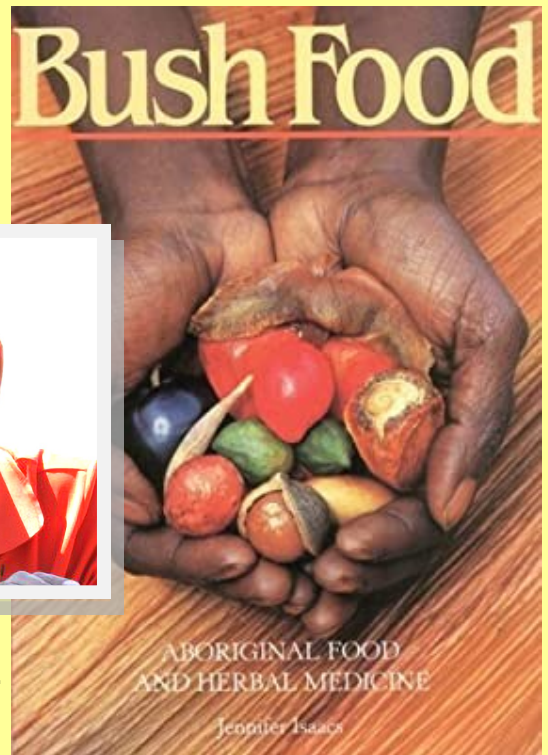
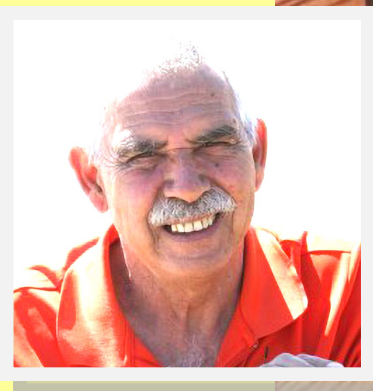
Pictured left - two Rotary 'water-duckies' Sam Openshaw & Elizabeth Fielding two of our members volunteering. Thanks to DG Debbie Loveday for organising. Due to the continuing heavy rain the fields were flooded & sadly football was cancelled.



## Uncle Bill Speaks on Bush Tucker

Guest speaker tonight was Uncle Bill O'Brien, the Chairman of the local Biripai Aboriginal Community.

Bill gave a fascinating talk on bush tucker and how the indigenous people have foraged and survived on this food down through the ages.



In our 73rd Year

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# 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 Facts	International Toast	Sergeant
Feb. 24th	Bush Tucker	Uncle Bill - Biripai	Brian Calford	Diana Gammon	Geoff Slack	Alastair Moss	Neil Porter
Mar. 3rd	ZOOM	Ted Giblin - Birds of our Region	Glenda Barber				
Mar. 10th	Youth Science	Students report on their NYSF	Diana Gammon	Frank Gaukroger		Gai Nixon	Sandra Adams
Mar. 17th	Social Evening tba		Glenda Barber				



## INVITATION Youth Science Night

DINNER MEETING 5.30 PM FOR 6.00 PM  
TO 7.30 PM

WEDNESDAY, 10TH MARCH 2021

AT PANTHERS

Hear Hastings Secondary College and Mackillop College students report on their experiences after attending the NYSF program.

Year 11 students will run a science contest.

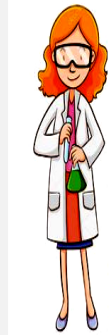
# STEM



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WORK FROM HOMER



RSVP Sheila Openshaw  
Friday 5th March 2021  
Mobile 0408 235 870  
mentalhealthsupport@hotmail.com  
\$26.00 per person  
Speakers - Guests of Rotary



## Sam's Natty Knitters in action in 2021



## Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **March 12 - 14, 2021 - District 9650 Conference in Port Macquarie**
- **March 26-28 - Giant Rotary Book Sale - Panthers**
- **April 10 - Working Bee at the Community Centre**
- **April 21st - Rotary Anzac Day meet**
- **May 1 - 8th - RYLA at Lake Keepit**
- **September 17th - Rotary Golf Day**

## Club NEWS

### A REPORT ON LAST NIGHT'S MEETING by President Elizabeth -

Quite an unusual meeting tonight. We were not able to access the room until 6.15 so had to sit in the bar downstairs and mingle for a while. Panthers were most apologetic.

- Alastair Moss gave an international toast to the Rotary Club of Galway.
- Uncle Bill was celebrating his birthday so we sang to him and he gave us a wonderful talk on bus (tucker. Such a lovely man.
- Bob will send out the book sale roster shortly and invited members to encourage their friends/family to assist.
- Next week is a zoom meeting which will be run by Glenda as I am away for a few days.
- This morning Diana, Fred and myself along with Heather, Julie and Rick from Westport club presented a cheque to the high school for the next part of the STEM project. We will visit for a joint vocational visit when the components arrive.

### BIRTHDAYS March 2021

- 02/03 - Jack Wilson
- 05/03 - Elizabeth Fielding
- 18/03 - Ted Giblin
- 30/03 - Charles Craddock
- 31/03 - John Oxley
- 31/03 - Helen Crossley

### ANNIVERSARIES March 2021

- 14/03 - Terry & Helen Crossley
- 17/03 - Frank & Sue Gaukroger
- 31/03 - Philip & Helen Brown