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Simply Inspiring. A Great Conference

Our District Conference was an inspirational & challenging weekend. Congratulations to DG Debbie Loveday & her team. Keynote speakers - Shane Fitzsimmons, Peter Baines & Dr Ray Hodgson gave outstanding presentations. Taree's Riverstage project made us all feel great about being Rotarians as did the RAWCS, Shelterbox, Lifeline, Tiny Houses & Rotaract presentations.



DG Debbie with guests - Uncle Bill O'Brien local Biripi leader & local MP Pat Conaghan.

Conference Chair - Neil Black

Whether we delivered the 'best ever' District Conference, or 'one of the best ever' as publicly proclaimed, is a moot point....we did it! And you should all feel proud of your contribution.

DG Debbie of course deserves the major accolades for her will to make it happen, the theme, the fabulous speakers and entertainment, the general program, the difficult negotiations as well as promotion of the Conference.

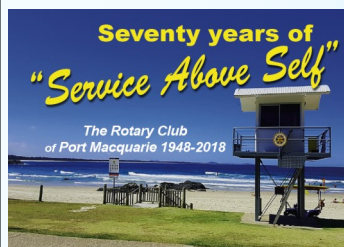
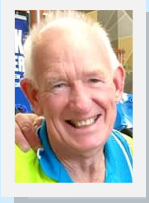
The other person I wish to single out for her massive effort is Valda Sturrock who worked tirelessly for over three months managing the registration process which overall I thought worked extremely well. (*We would also add Conference Secretary Sam Openshaw*)

To my other fellow Committee members, including MC Shaun, thank you all for your various contributions which when added together were vital to the success of the Conference.

And last but by no means least, congratulations to all our other fabulous volunteers. For those who staffed the Registration and Information Desk, those who checked lanyards and or helped ensure COVID compliance, those who chaperoned our special guests and or generally helped ensure our delegates and other visitors were made welcome and provided with good customer service, thank you for living the Rotary motto of 'service above self'.

Despite the outstanding success of the Conference there are no doubt areas which could be improved in a similar event in the future.

Our Committee proposes to meet for a review meeting within the next couple of weeks and we would welcome any feedback that any of you would like to provide. Our approach will be to consider 'what worked well?' and 'what could be improved'?



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

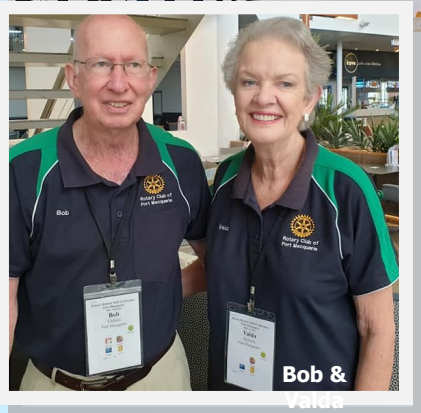
Date	Program	Speaker	Program Chair	Welcomer	My Story/Fascinating Facts	International Toast	Sergeant
Mar. 17th	Meeting cancelled						
Mar. 24th	Children suffering from Bereavement	James Thomas Feel the Magic	Elizabeth Fielding	Diana Gammon	Mavis Wallace	Sam Openshaw	Kerry Medway
March 26th - 27th - 28th – Giant Rotary Book Sale @ Panthers..... all hands-on-deck!!!!							
Mar. 31st	International	Joseph Nyugen Growing up in Vietnam	Ray Hodgson	Gerald Haynes	Sandra Adams	Fred O'Toole	Neil Porter



Thanks to all in our club who volunteered

Club volunteers - Valda, Sandra, Gai, Elizabeth & Julie

ROTARY CONFERENCE REGISTRATIONS AND INFORMATION

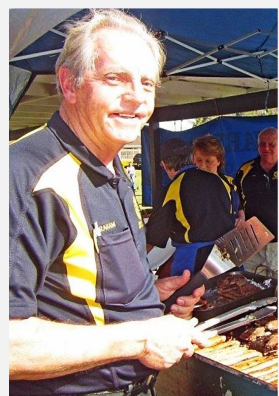


Bob & Valda

Well done Rotarians. Congratulations to Diana Gammon (Youth Director) who shared the District Trophy for Club Youth. More photos in next few weeks



Sam & Deb - two belles of the ball (DG's dinner)



Graham Bell 1946 - 2021

Graham died this week. He was a member of our club for almost 10 years until 2020.

His funeral will be held on Tuesday 23rd March @ 10am at the Innes Gardens Chapel. It will also be live-streamed. Do pray for Tina & daughters Lynette & Deb & family.

Note these Dates - in your diary -

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

PORT MACQUARIE ROTARY CLUB'S

GIANT BOOK SALE

3 DAYS ONLY!

Friday	March 26th	9am—6pm
Saturday	March 27th	9am—6pm
Sunday	March 28th	9am—1pm

PANTHERS AUDITORIUM PORT MACQUARIE

BIRTHDAYS March 2021

- 18/03 - Ted Giblyn
- 30/03 - Charles Craddock
- 31/03 - John Oxley
- 31/03 - Helen Crossley

ANNIVERSARIES March 2021

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