



THE PORT WHEEL

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie
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- **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
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- **Youth Service Director** - Diana Gammon
- **Membership Director** -
- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start.
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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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Thanks Sandra

Sandra Adams has advised that she will be leaving our club at the end of April. She and Ian are moving south to be closer to family. Sandra has been a member of our club for five years and has been a great participating member. She (along with Ian) will be greatly missed.

Sandra wrote on her 25 year Rotary history -

I joined Rylstone-Kandos Rotary 1996 and became Secretary shortly afterwards.

Then I transferred to Morisset Rotary Club in 2001. Held the positions of Youth and International Directors, Meals on Wheels, and Community transport. Sandra moved to Bowral-Mittagong Rotary Club in 2010 – here she worked in Community Service and International.

In the R/C of Port Macquarie Sandra has worked in the Community committee with BBQ, Book Shop, book sorting, Meals on Wheels, and any other function where they needed someone to put up their hand. I almost always did. I was one of the Club Sergeants for the last 18 months?? I was never interested in being a leader, but always a worker in the background.



Ian and Sandra at the recent DG's Conference Dinner



Sandra made the two latest display banners for our collection of Rotary Club banners from around the world.



Ian & Sandra in Rotary Park



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
April 21st	Anzac meet with Port West Rotary	Brigadier Zahoor Ahmed	Phil Perry & David Mayne				Neil Porter
Apr 28th	Exchange Student to Norway	Daniel Maxwell	Frank Gaukroger	Alastair Moss	Gai Nixon	Lorryl Rumble-Fuller	Neil Porter
May 5th	ZOOM meeting						



John Oxley on John Oxley

Our John gave an interesting talk on Oxley's exploration & discovery of Port Macquarie. Thanks John



Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **April 21st** - Rotary Anzac Day meet
- **May 1 - 8th** - RYLA at Lake Keepit
- **May 30th** - District Assembly
- **June 11th - 13th** - Giant Rotary Book Sale @ Panthers (postponed after the floods)
- **September 17th** - Rotary Golf Day

Lorryl tells of

Bicentenary 1821-2021

Lorryl Rumble-Fuller was our keynote speaker tonight & gave a fascinating insight into the early days of Port Macquarie as a penal colony.

Lorryl showed many paintings & early pictures not seen before. She also gave some insights into some of our well-known landmarks, eg. the Town Green was a turning circle for Major Innes bullock teams bringing produce

to the wharf. Also the proximity of the historic cemetery close to St Thomas Church. Coffins could be wheeled from the church down the hill to the cemetery as originally there was no Gordon Street cut dividing the cemetery from the church. Thanks Lorryl.



Bill Nixon made an Honorary Member



What did Bill say?



- Tonight's **International Toast** was presented by **Geoff Slack to the R/C of Dunedin, New Zealand.**
- Due to the Editor being away, there will be **no club bulletin next week.** But hopefully some photos and a story will be sent and the Anzac event will be recorded in the following bulletin on April 28th.
- Pres. Elizabeth is calling for help on **April 27th for the Registration of Birth Certificates for our Indigenous people.** Our club had received a Government Grant which was unable to be fulfilled last year.
- Pres Elizabeth is hoping we may be able to fill a table for the **Rotaract Mental Health Ball on May 29th.** See Elizabeth.
- **Tonight Bob Cleland & President Elizabeth inducted Bill Nixon as an Honorary Member of our club.** Bill has served in Rotary for over 40 years with great distinction. He and Gai are & have been valuable members of our club.

BIRTHDAYS **April 2021**

- 18/04 - Mary Oxley
- 28/04 - Sheila Openshaw
- 29/04 - Debbie Loveday
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ANNIVERSARIES **April 2021**

- 19/04 - John & Mary Oxley
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