



The Port Wheel

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Fred Retires after 36 Dynamic Years in Rotary

Fred O'Toole joined the R/C of Newcastle West in 1972. After 3 years he moved to Sydney & was not involved in Rotary.

In 1989 he moved to Nelson's Bay & joined the local R/C & 3 weeks later was the club's Secretary. Each year Fred played some role in the club culminating in becoming President in

1994-5. It was also Fred's beginning with RAWCS, arranging trips to Papua-New Guinea & the Kokoda Hospital. He led a team to Rabaul which worked on building a doctor's residence & treatment room.

In 1995 Fred & June moved to Port Macquarie & joined our R/C. In 1997-98 Fred became the Community Services Director & this was quite significant as he was involved in setting up PROBUS Clubs. Some time later he & Graham Wiggins founded the PMQ South Combined Probus Club and they are still members 20 years later.

Fred was very much involved in Rotary's International programs & was District Director for two years. He was a member of the Eastern Region RAWCS which oversaw most of Rotary's international programs. One of the major achievements in this time was the establishment of the TANNA project in Vanuatu. Fred arranged four trips to Vanuatu before handing the project over to Ray

White. Over the years Fred managed to raise significant amounts of money through grants for school and hospital repairs and modifications.

In 2010 Fred started a Craft Fair in conjunction with Zonta which held craft expos at the racecourse. Valda Sturruck was a major performer in managing the project until it ceased in 2014.

Our club became involved in the construction of the Rotary Community Centre on Hamilton Green and Fred was elected 2IC of the committee managing its construction. Fred was a major player in gaining assistance with grants & donations of materials and funds.

Fred's major contribution to our club was the starting of the book sale project. It began in 1996 with collecting of books and delivery to a Fred's rented house where they were sorted for sale. This has grown to be our club's major fundraiser and was the forerunner to our Rotary Bookshop. The club raised over \$70,000 in the past year from the sale of second-hand books. Fred was President of our club in 2000-01 and as

Membership Director saw many new members join our club, including 19 in one year! Fred has played a huge part in our club & was presented a PHF in 2003 & a Sapphire pin & is a ARH Silver Friend. Well done Fred & June.

THE HOME OF OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

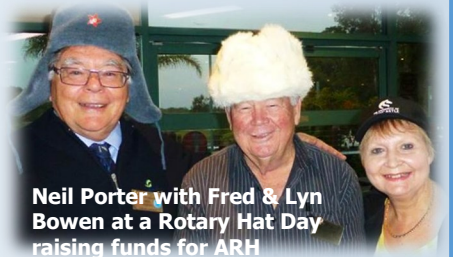
In Our 74th Year



Fred with children in Vanuatu



Fred & June



Neil Porter with Fred & Lyn Bowen at a Rotary Hat Day raising funds for ARH



The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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President - Frank Moxon

President-elect - PDG Debbie Loveday

Immediate Past President - Elizabeth Fielding

Vice President - Gai Nixon

Secretary - Geoff Slack

Club Service Director - PDG Debbie Loveday

Community Service Director - Phil Perry

International Service Director - Ray Hodgson

Vocational Service Director - Neil Porter

Youth Service Director - Diana Gammon

Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start.

Apologies for Week's Meet to -

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Club bank details - BSB 932-000
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Past/Present District Governors

Roger Dulhunty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

Laurie Barber 2006-07

Debbie Loveday 2020-21

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Club program - If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Port Wheel Editor Kerry.

Date	Program	Speaker	Program Chr	Welcomer	Community Spotlight	InterToast	Sergeant
July 28th	DG David Mayne DGs visit	DG David Mayne	President Frank	Gerald Hayes			Neil Porter
Aug 4th	Mix & Mingle @ Panthers Finger Food	RSL Presidents Greg & Jason					
Aug 11th	Public Meet @ Panthers	Prof John O'Connor	Ted Giblin	Bob Cleland			Glenda Barber

Fred O'Toole
made an Honorary Member of our Club

At the Xmas in July celebration. President Frank presented Fred with his honour and also a copy of the 100 Years of Rotary book.



Note this date in your Diary

- September 17th - Rotary Golf Day

Club News

Stay in the Know!



Xmas in July

A great fun night organised by PDG Deb & Pres Frank. Bet Calford won two raffle prizes, Glenda Barber won heads n' tails. Meal & Xmas decorations by Westport Club were very special, plus Deb & Phil decorated the tables.



* Start thinking of folk you can invite to hear Professor O'Connor on 11th August.

- Frank & Patricia Urban were both taken to hospital by ambulance on Monday.
- Next week we are looking forward to a visit from our DG David Mayne & Heather on his DG rounds. Don't miss.

Birthdays - July/August 2021

22/07 - Adam Rumble
31/07 - Heather Mayne

01/08 - Glenda Barber
07/08 - Craig Wearne
12/08 - Joan Moss
29/08 - Glyn Fuller

Anniversaries July/August 2021

27/07 - Lorryl & Glyn Rumble-Fuller

21/08 - Alastair & Joan Moss
28/08 - Robert & Josie Rutishauser