



The Port Wheel

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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

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Debbie Loveday 2020-21

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DG David & Heather visit

What an inspirational night David & Heather presented us with... lots to be thankful for in our Rotary world. -

Celebrate generations of making a difference

The focus on membership for this year is one of value. PDG Deb's "MAKE MEMBERSHIP MEMORABLE" inspired clubs and members and I wish to add to that with making membership VALUABLE. Every member should recall why they initially joined Rotary and what made it so special to have that wheel pinned on their chest. Yes, we need to look at bringing younger members to Rotary but not exclusively the young. Think of our family, friends and neighbours that might have the skills, knowledge and attributes to serve the club, cluster and District as a Rotarian. Most importantly think about how Rotary can help and empower a new member.

There are now two new Rotaract clubs soon to be chartered in our District and last week the first Rotary club for many years was chartered in 1965. In my travels, many clubs recall the benefits that the RYPEN program and the positiveness it had on the youth in our District. I have pleasure in announcing that RYPEN has reformed through an extremely proactive committee and the first RYPEN camp in many years will be held at Lake Keepit, April 1 – 3 2022.

This year I am instigating a 'District Medal'. This will be awarded to the unsung heroes of our clubs and District. Those Rotarians that have gone far beyond what is required of them as Rotarians. This award will be given at the District Conference and the conference theme this year is—

'Celebrate the past to secure our future'

The conference (March 18-20th 2022) is the last conference for 9650 and will be a time of recognition and acknowledgement of all the wonderful achievements and Rotarians that have made 9650 what a success story it is today. It will be a time of great celebration.



THE HOME OF OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

In Our 74th Year



Heather's DG Partners Project for 2021-22

YOUTH REBUILDING YOUNG LIVES
INSEARCH

Heather shared tonight her project in supporting young people age 14-20 Our youth who have fallen through the cracks & can be dramatically changed by Y/I with camps & weekly support. Great project.



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
Aug 4th	Club Servcie Night	PDG Debbie Loveday	President Frank	????			Kerry Medway
Aug 11th	Public meet @ Panthers	Prof John O'Connor	Ted Giblin	Bob Cleland			Glenda Barber
Aug 18th	Vocational @ Hastings Sec Campus	Stem/Robotics Hub—Finger Food \$15	Neil Porter				

Rotary Sponsored Public Meeting

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie would like to extend an invitation to you, your members plus your respective high school science students, to attend Prof. John O'Connor speaking in the auditorium at Panthers, on fusion and alternative power sources. Prof. John was the science speaker to our NYSF students last year. I am sure you will find the talk most interesting and engaging.

Absolutely free and not to be missed.

Invite extends to Teachers and Principals, Students, Parents and Guardians. In fact everyone is welcome.

We have the auditorium at Panthers as our venue which can seat 250 people at the moment with COVID restrictions.

Seats can be booked on a first come first served basis.

RSVPs as soon as possible - PDG Debbie Loveday

Who is Professor John O'Connor?

Is a physicist with research income in excess of \$18.7 million, 50 research students & almost 200 refereed publications. His main speciality is materials science and surface physics. He was awarded a Doctor of Science from ANU in 1999 & is the recipient of the Australian Institute of Physics Award for Outstanding Service to Physics.

One of the most complex situations that society is currently facing is climate change and Prof O'Connor will address this issue with his talk "Fusion is a Solution to Climate Change."

John has an infectious passion for science & will by sharing his research and teaching inspire a new generation of curious minds intent on disruptive technology.

Don't miss. Invite interested friends.



Note this date in your Diary

- September 17th - Rotary Golf Day

Club News

Stay in the Know!

* Next weeks meeting program has had to be changed due to Covid restrictions. It now will be a dinner meeting & the focus on our night will be to meet in our Service groups & discuss & plan the next year. Don't miss.

- President Frank announced that Bob Cleland has accepted the role as Club Treasurer. Our club finances will be in good hands.
- Good news - Frank & Patricia Urban are back home together after a stint in hospital. Frank still has some medical work to be done.
- Phil Perry announced that the wheelchairs Rotary has purchased have arrived at the Base Hospital & there will be an official hand-over with media in October.
- Phil also reported that Rotary Lodge is doing well during the Covid restrictions AND the Rotary Community Centre is also serving the community with community bookings. However all this could crash if there is a Covid outbreak in our city. Be vigilant.
- For more information about the worthwhile Partners Project Heather Mayne is promoting go to - www.youthinsearch.org.au It's a great program.

President Frank's Inspirational Quote of the Week

"No matter how many mistakes you make or how slow your progress, you are still way ahead of everyone who isn't trying." - Anthony Robbins (Chosen by Brian Calford)

Birthdays - July/August 2021

31/07 - Heather Mayne
01/08 - Glenda Barber
07/08 - Craig Wearne
12/08 - Joan Moss
29/08 - Glyn Fuller

Anniversaries July/August 2021

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