



The Port Wheel

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Book Sale Raises over \$18,000

A NOTE FROM BOB & VALDA .

Dear Rotarians and Friends,

Last weekend's Book Sale at Panthers was a great success with over \$18,000 being taken in sales. This could not have happened without a lot of hard work from many people. In particular sorting throughout the year and then getting the books into Panthers and onto the tables was a massive effort and we were lucky to have lots of outside help. The clean up was nearly as hectic.

Laurieton and Wauchope Rotary Clubs both collected a good stock of books for their sales.

Sales were steady throughout the three days and despite the quantity of books left on the tables on Sunday, it was a great result. We now know which authors not to keep hoarding as there is a limit to how many of these we can hope to sell.

If you have any suggestions for future sales please send them to us – they would be much appreciated.

Once again, thank you for your help.

Kind regards

Bob and Valda

Memories of PDG Laurie



PDG Laurie Barber at S/W Rocks four years ago with Glenda, Diana, Debbie & Phil Perry.



Laurie wrote the First Forty Years of our club's history, which was invaluable as much of our club's early records have been lost.

Laurie was also the Editor of our club bulletin for many years and later an Assistant Editor.

Pictured here with co-editors Kerry Medway & Lyn Bowen with the District's Best Club Bulletin trophy.



THE HOME OF OUR DISTRICT GOVERNOR

In Our 74th Year



The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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

Apologies for Week's Meet to -

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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
March 23rd	Social Dinner 5-30pm for 6pm	Nostalgia, Colonial Arcade	Debbie Loveday	_____			
March 30th	ZOOM	Club Alumni	Diana Gammon	_____			Kerry Medway
April 6th	Business Meeting for One Hour			_____			

Are You Ready to Die?

Club News



Geoff Smith, Neil Porter & Rod McCormick

Tonight's Vocational was a visit to Hastings Funerals. Manager Rod McCormick & Senior Funeral Consultant Geoff Smith showed us around the Gordon Street centre and explained how things operated in a Funeral Business. Vocational Director Neil Porter led a very interesting Q & A seeking answers from Rod and Geoff re. dying, funeral arranging, donating body parts, the role of the Coroner in releasing bodies for burial, etc.

One thing that came through very strongly was the importance of planning and organising your funeral while you can. It is so important to plan your funeral and not leave it to the kids or others. We all found the evening very informative & hopefully we will all make funeral preparations. The evening concluded with a meal at Finnians. It was a great time of fellowship & sharing, but sadly half the meals took way too long to arrive.



A huge THANKS to PDG Debbie Loveday for editing the last four club bulletins. Well done Deb. So sorry to hear you did this whilst not feeling very well. Praying for a full recovery. I will have to lift my game now!!!!

NOTE THESE DATES

- March 18-19-20 - DISTRICT CONFERENCE at Panthers.
- Don't miss the Sunday 8am Church Service, followed by the Remembrance Service & Conference finale.
- Remembering - 15 Rotarians from our District who have died in the last 12 months, including our own Graham Bell & Laurie Barber.

TICKETS FOR THE FILM "THE DUKE" Laurieton & Wauchope R/Cs are screening this film at Laurieton's Plaza Theatre on March 31st, raising funds for the END POLIO campaign. If interested in tickets contact PDG Debbie before this weekend & she can have some tickets available at the Conference. Not sure of costs or time of film?

DOUGLAS VALE Historic Homestead & Vineyard OPEN DAY on March 30th. History Talks from 9-30am to 12 noon. If interested go to - www.eventsite.com.au/e/288995191397asap

Inspirational Quote of the Week

**WE MUST BUILD
DIKES OF COURAGE
TO HOLD BACK THE
FLOOD OF FEAR.**

Martin Luther King Jr

Thanks Neil & Rod for a good evening.

It was extra special to have Gerald & Hazel Haynes join us after Gerald's long term of illness. He is looking good and needs to put on a few kilos to be fit again. Tonights barramundi would have helped!!!!

Birthdays - March 2022

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

Anniversaries March 2022

13/03 - Phil & Helen Brown
17/03 - Frank & Sue Gaukroger