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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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Club Meetings Wednesdays @ Port
Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start. BUT
check program on page 2 for what is
happening.

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Laurie Barber 2006-07

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Has anyone seen Frank ?

My vision this year is to focus on our community. The theme is "It's the little things that make such a difference"

A few years ago we collected coats for Liberty Cottage, we did backpacks for the 'gentleman about town' We participated in "Its in the bag" for our ladies and we supplied much needed toiletries to the Orange Sky Laundry van. At last night's meeting the Rotary round table was very productive. We discussed who we could partner with to assist in helping people less fortunate than ourselves. We are looking at YPSpace, Salvation Army, Liberty Cottage and Orange Sky Laundry, and Oz Harvest.

To get a better perspective on the homeless situation in Port, we will invite homeless specialists to come along and share their knowledge with us. Another project we wish to recommence is that of providing people with identification. A couple of years ago several members were involved in providing birth certificates to the many Australians who haven't got one for some reason or another. Birth Certificates are really important in providing evidence of who you are and providing 100 points of identification.

We heard from Dr Ted and our three environmental projects that will commence later this year. The first in October will see a community evening at the surf club, with guest speakers Chantelle and Mark Rapley. Chantelle was the shark attack victim, and is very strongly supporting ways in which we can protect our marine environment, including our sharks. Dave Pearson will also be assisting. He has been responsible for a local Bio Blitz, where the numbers of native flora and fauna are documented.

The third project is to look at whether our local restaurants supply fish on their menus that is sustainably resourced. We know some are, which is great news. There will be a foodie competition around those sustainable fish suppliers. If anyone has any suggestion please feel free to share.

We heard from our new member Rob Dalla Costa in our very popular 3 On Me segment. So interesting was it that Rob will be coming back for part 2. Rob told us a little about his background and schooling, that would appear to have been very disciplined. He shared his 'show and tell' bag containing all kinds of memorabilia, including his Duke of Edinburgh Award, his hockey trophy. He left high school for university where he excelled, and found himself in Canberra working for the treasury. His role included being an economic advisor to John Howard. His office contained a very distinct group of people. He had a major role in the implementation of the GST in Australia and has been an advisor all over the world. He later joined Ernst and Young and was a key player in the G20 summit, looking after 10 teams of International delegates. More to come on this story.....

GOLF DAY—September 16th Golf Day Dinner
September 21st. This year we will be sponsoring the MNC Cancer Institute. Many thanks to Col Pickering on this team for co ordinating this annual event. We look forward to welcoming MNC Cancer Institutes Sharon Fuller to our meeting on 21st September, to accept our cheque on their



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

Date	Program	Speaker	Program Chr	Welcomer	3 ON ME	InterToast	Sergeant
July 6th	One hour meet @ Panthers				Rob Dalla Costa		Neil Porter
July 13th	Meet at Panthers	Dr Clare Allen	Brian Calford	Phil Perry			Glenda Barber
July 20th	Meet at Panthers	Book Sale re-view night	Bob Cleland	Tony Moore			Neil Porter

DGs Visit to Combined Clubs in Port Macquarie

DG Neville Parsons & Patti on Saturday 9th July @ 6pm \$40pp Bookings & Payment via Trybooking www.trybooking.com/BZTYP
All members are urged to attend the DG's official visit. Please make your booking via the above link to Trybooking.

Rotary awards its highest recognition to HRH Prince Charles, Prince of Wales

KIGALI, Rwanda (June 24, 2022) – Celebrate Community, a joint initiative of the four major volunteer service organizations, will launch this year with a focus on local community service during the week of October 10 to 16. In recognition of his longstanding focus on nature-based solutions to address the climate crisis, Rotary today presented HRH Prince Charles with its highest honour: The Rotary Award of Honour.

Presented by Shekhar Mehta, Rotary International President 2021-22, at a private audience during the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Kigali, Rwanda, Mehta expressed appreciation for the dedication of His Royal Highness toward sustainability and biodiversity and noted Rotary's shared commitment to protecting the environment.

During COP26, the United Nations climate summit held last November in Glasgow, Scotland, the Prince of Wales encouraged environmentalists to seek nature-based solutions to global warming.

"After billions of years of evolution, nature is our best teacher," the Prince of Wales said. "In this regard, restoring natural capital, accelerating nature-based solutions and leveraging the circular bio-economy will be vital to our efforts."

John Hewko—General Secretary Rotary International and Charter Member Rotary Club of Kyiv Ukraine

My parents, Lu and Natalie Hewko, fled the advancing Soviet armies across war-torn Europe — from Ukraine to the refugee camps in southern Germany — and then began a new life in the United States. My desire to give back to the country that welcomed my parents with open arms is what motivated my interest in public service. **My father was a Rotarian** and served as president of the Rotary Club of Clarkston, Michigan. He also helped start the Rotary club in Kyiv, Ukraine, where I am a charter member. **The TV series Perry Mason** partially inspired me to be a lawyer. **My wife, Marga, is from Argentina**, and we got married there in December 1989. Two weeks later, we moved to Moscow. After Mikhail Gorbachev came to power and opened up the Soviet Union, the law firm of Baker McKenzie approached me, asking if I would help establish its office there, and I later served as its managing partner in Kyiv and Prague.

I'll never forget an amazing historic experience in Ukraine. I had the opportunity to be involved in Ukraine's independence movement after the failed August 1991 coup in Moscow and the subsequent collapse of the Soviet Union. In March 1992, I spent several days with experts in Prague and hammered out the initial draft of Ukraine's first post-Soviet constitution. To be there, to help a new country get off the ground, was the thrill of a lifetime.



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Club News

Cluster Changeover July 12th - Wauchope

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JUL 12 Wauchope changeover
JUL 13 Speaker Dr Clare Allen
JUL 20 Book Sale Review Night—you input is requested
JUL 27 Xmas in July @ Westport



AUG 03 RYLA—Zac Turner and Michael Ward from SES

AUG 10 Julie Jamieson—Headspace
AUG 17 Prof John O'Connor—Hadron Therapy for cancer

AUG 20 Business Meeting
AUG 27 Business Meeting

Birthdays July 2022

08/07 - Frank Gaukroger
10/07 - Mavis Wallace
15/07 - Phil Brown
16/07 - Frank Moxon
20/07 - Barbara McMahon
22/07 - Adam Rumble
31/07 - Heather Mayne

Anniversaries July 2022

01/07 - Tony & Angela Moore
14/07 - Neil & Sue Porter
27/07 - Glyn & Lorryl Rumble-Fuller