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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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Tonight we heard from PP Nsamba Henry from the RC Kampala Kawempe. You may remember we partnered with this club last year in a District Grant to supply much needed assistance in the eradication of Malaria, clearing of swampy ground and blocked drains. The 84 Rotarians and Rotaractors who helped in this projected delivered aid to over 200 people. One of the people in need was a disabled lady called Elizabeth Nakubulwa . Club members were distressed to see her having to crawl



The piece of paper Elizabeth is holding says "Donated by U—RC Port Macquarie"

into a clinic through the mud and water to receive medical attention. Clubs members dug deep and \$1400 was raised to purchase her a wheelchair. We also sought to purchase a suitable sewing machine to enable her to make a living from sewing. In this picture we see the DG presenting her with the machine, threads and scissors. This evening we met Elizabeth in person and she delivered her thanks and appreciation to us. I think we were all left with a warm and fuzzy feeling. Elizabeth is 50 years old and suffered paralysis from Polio.

We saw her attending training sessions on a sewing machine to prepare her to be self employed from her own home in the future. I think I can honestly say this was one of the most heart-warming meetings of the year. Thank you to everyone who made this possible. Thanks to Nsamba Henry for persevering in Uganda to ensure he could speak with us.

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The DG presenting Elizabeth with some new fabrics, so she can begin sewing immediately.



DG presenting that all important machine oil to keep the machine maintained.



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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	3 ON ME	InterToast	Sergeant
Dec 7	One hour business meet @ Panthers	PP HenryNsamba	Deb Loveday				Neil Porter
Dec 14	Christmas Party at Garden Village	Kerry Medway					Kerry Medway
December 21 & 28.... Christmas/ New Year break							

Club News

Hastings Education Fund Gala Night— 5th December at Cassegrain's

Debbie Bob and Glenda attended the Gala Night which saw 38 students awarded grants for their university or tertiary studies. This year we sponsored something new. The Laurie Barber Memorial Scholarship. This is a 3 year scholarship and the lucky student was Luka Marshall. He will be studying a Bachelor of Paramedicine at Charles Sturt University. He hopes to use this as a pathway to medicine eventually. We will keep in contact with Luka and see how he progresses over the next three years.

Also on the night we met up with some old friends and Rotary Alumni. Georgia belle Munday is studying music at the Conservatorium in Sydney.

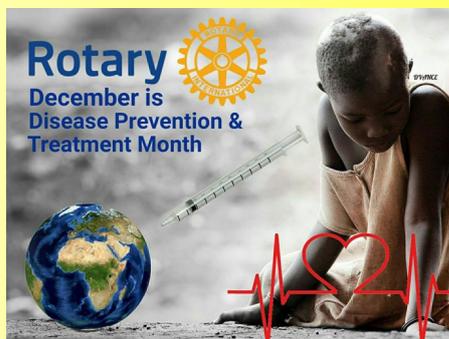


Pictured bottom right is Kyden Power O'Toole who is studying to be a Diplomat.



ROLL OUT OF NEW POLIO VACCINE

You may have wondered whether the new novel oral polio vaccine(nOPV2) is particularly important. The answer is 'YES'. With vaccine derived cases now far outnumbering wild polio cases,nOPV2is a very powerful new tool because it carries a much lower risk of mutating and causing vaccine-derived poliovirus. Researchers altered part of the old type 2 vaccine virus's genome to make it more genetically stable while preserving its ability to produce strong immunity in the gut .First rolled out in March 2021,more than 500 million doses have now been administered in over 20 countries.



December 14th - Club Xmas Party

At Garden Village Café. Members are invited to bring a gift for GV folk in high care for Christmas.

Rotary in Christmas/New Year recess from December 15th - January 10th 2023

SOME DATES TO NOTE IN 2023

Jan 11—Sundowner BBQ at Shelly Beach , see flier

Jan 17 Cluster BBQ McInherny Park hosted by RC Port West

FEB 01 First meeting back in New Year

March 24-26th District 9660 Conference in Tamworth

EASTER 7-10th April
April 9-10th PETS ??

April 13-16th Rotary Giant Book Sale in Panthers

April 29 - May 6th RYLA



Birthdays December 2022

- 2/12 - Susan Gaukroger
- 26/12 - Phil Perry
- 28/12 - Kerry Medway

Wedding Anniversaries December 2022

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