

The Port Wheel

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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.

Club bank details - BSB 932-000
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Rotary Induces - Ross Nancarrow

Tonight we 'induced' Ross Nancarrow into our Rotary Club. (For those not sure about 'inducing', our President is a gynaecologist & Donna Nancarrow is a midwife!!) We are excited to have Ross as a member.

Hi, I'm Ross – I am from the 1956 vintage, I am married to Donna who is an incredibly loving and kindhearted person and happens to be a Nurse & Midwife. We have four wonderful children, three sons and one daughter who are all married and have blessed us with a total of nine grandchildren (so far:).

I am a Christian minister and have worked in the not-for-profit sector since 1985. This work has kept me productive in Australia and internationally among various people groups from a diverse range of cultures.

My current role is Executive Director of International Mission Ministries (IMM - www.imm.org.au)

and Every Daughter Matters (EDM www.evydaughtermatters.org.au).

In IMM we facilitate Christian based training & community development projects among impoverished and disadvantaged peoples. In EDM we intercept and rescue Nepal's daughters from human trafficking along the Nepal / India border.

I have had many titles, but the one I love most is 'grandpa'. I love hanging out with my children and grandchildren, I get close to God near the ocean and am in my happy place going for walks on the beach with my wife Donna.

Interests:

I love getting with good friends for coffee's or going fishing, golfing or to the gym. One of my favorite sayings is: "Life is too short to drink bad coffee or bad wine"!



Donna & Ross Nancarrow with Club President Dr Ray Hodgson



Ross and Donna Nancarrow with missionaries they support in Nepal



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RI Theme 2023-24

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

Date	Program	Speaker	Program	Program Chr	Sergeant
Aug 30th	One hour meeting followed by bistro meal	Jason Gil	Veteran Homelessness. Equine Therapies	Phil Perry	Kerry Medway
Sep 6th	One hour meeting followed by bistro meal	RYLA	Feedback from our three RYLA recipients	Diana Gammon	Kerry Medway
Sep 13th	One hour meeting followed by bistro dinner				Glenda Barber

Meeting Welcomers - Attendance tonight -



Hastings Amateur Beekeepers



In keeping with Club President Ray's Environmental Focus, tonight's guest speaker was Leon Carle who is the Biodiversity Officer for the Hastings Amateur Beekeepers. Leon shared on the importance of pollination and why bees are important to our Agri Industry. He also spoke about the recent devastation caused by a mite that has had a serious impact on bees in Australia.

After much difficulty setting up the laptop for Leon to show his pictures as he talked and problems with the microphone, we finally got Leon under way.

Leon kept us enthralled with an interesting talk with many fascinating facts about BEES and beekeepers. One interesting fact - did you know honey is the only food that has no expiry date!!! They have found jars of honey sealed in jars from 2000 years ago!

The bee industry in Australia is under threat from a Verroa Mite that was first detected on the docks at Newcastle and is now spreading and destroying millions of bees around NSW. If this virus continues unchecked then millions of bees will die, beekeepers will decrease and the cost of honey and wax will escalate.

To eradicate this mite attack, beekeepers are being told to wash 300 bees from their hives every 16 weeks in alcohol. This will expose the mite and hopefully lead to its eradication. The whole of our agricultural economy depends on this happening!



**Beekeeper
Leon Carle**

Club News

Stay in the Know!



- Phil Perry encouraged us to note the date of the **Rotary Golf Day - September 15th**. Phil will be calling on all members of the club to assist in this fund-raising day.
- On December 6th, this will be our Club's AGM & Child/ Youth Protection Update.

**Birthdays
Aug/Sep2023**

29/08 - Glynn Fuller
14/09 - Lorryl Rumble-Fuller
20/09 - Debra Tougher

**Wedding Anniversaries
Aug/Sep 2023**

28/08 - Robert & Josie Rutishauser