

The Port Wheel

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YEARS
Of ROTARY in Port Macquarie
1948 - 2024

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie
NSW 2444 Australia

President - Ray Hodgson

President-elect - PDG Debbie Loveday

Vice President - Neil Porter

Secretary - Frank Moxon

Treasurer - Bob Cleland

Club Service Director -

PDG Debbie Loveday

Community Service Director -

Phil Perry

International Service Director -

Ray Hodgson

Vocational Service Director -

David Mayne

Youth Service Director -

Neil Porter

Environment Service Director -

Ted Giblin

Membership & Public Image -

PDG David Mayne

Rotary Foundation -

Phil Perry

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
a/c 500 186 792

Past District Governors

Roger Dulhunty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

Laurie Barber 2006-07

Debbie Loveday 2020-21

David Mayne 2021-22

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Exciting Developments for our R/C

President Ray Hodgson shared some exciting news about the future of our club with several new members contemplating joining in 2024. It was also encouraging to see the make-up of our new club board for 2024-25.

The club's Returning Officer Terry Crossley led the club through the elections of officers for our new club board for 2024-25.

The following were nominated & elected unopposed -

President - PDG Debbie Loveday

Vice President - Bob Cleland

President-Elect - Ian Davis

Secretary - Rob Della Costa

Treasurer - Bob Cleland

Club Service Director -

Brittani Michelle

Vocational Director - Neil

Porter

Community Services Director - Phil Perry,

International Director - Dr Ray Hodgson, **Youth Director** - Diana Gammon,

Foundation Director - Glenda Barber, **Membership Director** - Georgia Hinton,

Public Image - Andy Hinton, **Environmental Director** - Ted Giblin, & **Public Officer** -

Neil Porter.

Treasurer Bob Cleland told the club that we have made \$74,000 from our fund-raising, mostly from sales via the bookshop & the Giant Booksale.

Also Bob shared there was an amount of \$3140 that had been set-aside for the purchase of Community Defibrillators via the Charles Sturt University. The student body stated that there was no need for more defibrillators and asked if a scholarship could be set-up to assist paramedic students. The club has set aside \$2000 for \$500 scholarships & the left-over moneys will be used for this scholarship to continue annually with our club to stump-up the moneys to \$2000 each year.

Following the AGM Bob Cleland led us through the Rotary 9660 Youth Protection Information. All members are asked to comply with a Working With Children certification. This is a club legal thing to comply with our club insurance. Bob will be chasing up those who we have no record of their compliance with this Working With Children policy.

Monday or Wednesday???

A decision is yet to be made as to will we change our meeting nights from Wednesday to Mondays for a 6 month trial in 2024. The club is to circulate a voting form with reasons and all members will be asked to choose a day?



Leading the Club's AGM -
Returning Officer - Terry Crossley,
Club President - Dr Ray Hodgson,
Club Secretary - Frank Moxon,
Treasurer - Bob Cleland.



CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

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
Dec. 13th	Christmas Party @ Garden Village	Final Meet of 2023	Xmas party @ Cascades @ Garden Village RSVP	Deb Loveday	Kerry Medway
First gathering in 2024 - BBQ Party @ Shelley on January 24th @ 5-30pm					
Jan 31st					y

This feature on Glenda Barber appeared in the December issue of the monthly magazine in Garden Village - The Villager

Club News

Stay in the Know!

Who's Who in the Village - No. 14

Glenda G/V Nurse - 17 years

Glenda Barber nursed at G/V from 1988-2005. She and her husband Laurie moved into Cascades in 2018. Sadly Laurie died in February 2022.

Glenda Parfitt (means 'perfect' in French) was born at Inverell in 1944. She attended school at Burren Junction, Gunnedah & Yeoval. In 1961 Glenda moved to Inverell for nurses training & met Laurie Barber. They were married in Inverell in 1964. They have 4 children, 11 grandchildren & 3 1/2 great grandchildren. Glenda loved to play tennis & only recently retired from playing croquet. She is a member of two book clubs & also a member of Probus. Laurie & Glenda moved to P/M in 1982. In 2007 she joined Rotary and served alongside her husband Laurie as he became District Governor in 2006-7. In this year Glenda raised \$60,000 for Motor Neurone Research. Glenda became President of the P/M Rotary Club in 2011-12 and was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in 2007 & still serves in the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie..



- Cluster BBQ @ McInernany Park on Tuesday 16th January..
- January 24th - Club Shelly Beach BBQ
- January 31st - 2024 return to Rotary (or on Monday 29th!!)
- Congratulations to Helen & Ray on the birth of a new grandchild - Grace.
- Do keep in your prayers, Neil & Sue Porter with heart health issues & also Dr Ted Giblin with health issues.

Update - DEBBIE'S DUNNIES in Nepal

Our club is partnering with the Rotary Club of Dhulikhel, our contact, Ranjeev Shrestha RAWCS project No. 51 2016-17

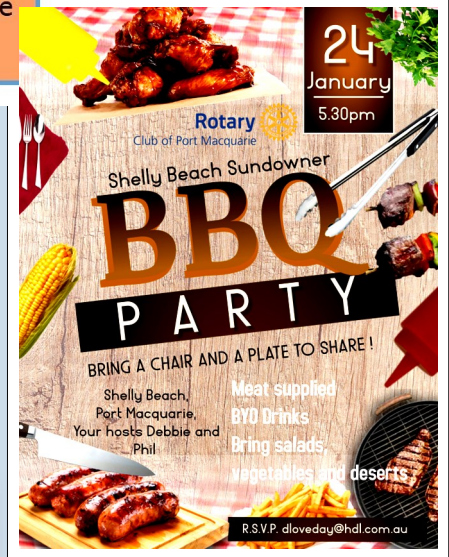
Our latest project is to provide some much-needed working toilets for the staff and students at Shree Rastriya Adharbhut School-Janakpurdham. Currently only TWO toilets at the school for 350 students!

Please click on the link below to watch a three-minute video from the school we are supporting.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1i963GwwRF8>

Rotary has already built 26 toilets @ \$200 each in the community

This week we have transferred \$6000 to complete the project.



Birthdays December 2023

26/12 - Phil Perry
27/12 - Donna Nancarrow
28/12 - Kerry Medway

Wedding Anniversaries December 2023

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