

The Port Wheel

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Of ROTARY in Port Macquarie
1948 - 2024

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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President - Ray Hodgson

President-elect - PDG Debbie Loveday

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PDG Debbie Loveday

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Phil Perry

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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
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Past District Governors

Roger Dulhunty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

Laurie Barber 2006-07

Debbie Loveday 2020-21

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January Rotary Bookshop Bonanza!

What a smashing first three weekends for 2024 at the Rotary Bookshop. We sold over \$5000 in second-hand books, including record sales for the first weekend of \$1931-30 (Saturday & Sunday sales).

A huge THANKYOU to Valda & Bob & all who assist with the bookshop, both from within the club and friends.



Used books continued to flood-in to the shop with clearly many locals cleaning-out for the new year. Also there were many tourist visitors and locals who did not know the bookshop existed & promised to return regularly.

Looks like we could be in for another bumper year in book sales!

Don't forget the ROTARY GIANT BOOKSALE at Panthers on April 4th - 7th, 2024



SAT 1st - SAT 8th JUNE 2024
YARRA ADVENTURE PARK, STUARTS POINT NSW



DISCOVER

WAYS TO BECOME A BETTER ROLE MODEL AND FACE IMPORTANT PERSONAL, WORK AND SOCIAL ISSUES



EXCHANGE

IDEAS AND OPINIONS WITH TALENTED, ENERGETIC PEOPLE IN A SUPPORTIVE ATMOSPHERE FREE FROM DISTRACTION



DEVELOP

CLOSE RAPPORT WITH YOUR ROTARY CLUB, ORGANISATIONS AND DECISION MAKERS IN YOUR COMMUNITY

RYLA IS A POWERFUL AND VALUABLE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM DESIGNED TO ENCOURAGE AND DEVELOP SKILLS THAT PARTICIPANTS CAN POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR COMMUNITIES.

The objective of RYLA is to empower participants with self-awareness, confidence and leadership skills to assist them in becoming more effective leaders. Many former RYLA Awardees have benefited in ways far beyond the course objective. Past RYLArians are part of the Leadership team and many go on to become more involved in community activities.

The program provides skills in many areas including understanding human behaviour, social interaction skills, committee functions, human values, leadership, presentation skills & public speaking, lifestyle issues, communication and organisation.

Participants must be 19 - 27 years of age and ideally involved in some form of leadership within their communities, or have shown leadership potential in the workplace. Other relevant information is in the application form found on the website. Potential candidates will be formally interviewed as part of the selection process and must undergo a formal screening process, which will include reference checks.

QUERIES & APPLICATIONS:

Louise Matthews 0420 743 083 | lmjew@bigpond.com
(applications close Monday 29th April 2024)

Program cost: \$1450 (all inclusive) | Formal dinner Wed 5th June, Macksville

APPLICATIONS:



RYLA is on in 2024

After a bumpy start it is exciting to see that one of Rotary's great programs for Youth will be held this year at Stuarts Point north of Kempsey..

If you know any young people aged from 19-27 years with leadership possibilities then do consider nominating them. See details on advert on left.



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
Jan 31st	One hour meet at Panthers	Drs from Nepal	Dr Ray Hodgson will welcome some of the Nepalese doctors working in the hospital	Ray Hodgson	Kerry Medway
Feb 7th					Glenda Barber
Feb 14th					

Theme 2024-25 - THE MAGIC OF ROTARY

R/I President-Elect Stephanie Urchick has announced her theme for 2024-25 as THE MAGIC OF ROTARY & called on Rotary to recognise & amplify the organisations power to save lives.

"Don't misunderstand me", Stephanie said, " we are not going to end polio or bring peace to the world by waving a wand and saying some funny words." The R/I Pres Elect spoke to incoming District Governors saying, "It's up to you. You create the magic with every project completed, every dollar donated and every new member."



Some Rotary Happenings in 2024 - Note your diary

- Wednesday 31st January - our first meeting for the year back at Panthers. Meeting some of the Doctors from Nepal that will be working in the new Mothers & Babies Home. 6pm - 7pm. Don't miss,
- March 6th - Science night. Dinner meeting at Panthers. Our guests will be teachers & students from the Hastings Secondary College.
- March 15 - 17th. District 9660 Conference at Parklands Resort, Mudgee. Its going to be a big weekend. Bookings & Ticketings will be available soon. Check the district website for contact details.
- April 4 - 7th - Annual Rotary Book Sale at Panthers. Our big fundraiser for the year. Save the dates.
- April 27th - PETS meeting & District Assembly @ CSU in Port Macquarie.



- June 1st - 8th RYLA week @ Stuarts Point. See brochure on page 1

- June 29th - District Changeover in Inverell.

<< Happy 75th Birthday Neil Porter

Neil is pictured with his grandson Tyson

Club News

Stay in the Know!

- Two of our members will celebrate **40 years in our Rotary Club** this year
- **Phil Brown** joined Rotary officially on May 1st 1984
- **Kerry Medway** joined Rotary officially on July 1st 1984.
- Both were inducted into our club several weeks before these dates.
- On February 15th - **Glenda Barber** & her late husband Laurie would have celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary. Our love goes out to Glenda
- Do keep **Ted Giblin** in your thoughts & prayers. Ted is still battling his lung cancer. Chemo has failed & so he is hoping to go onto a new experimental treatment. Fingers crossed for Ted.
- A past Rotarian **Russell Holland** has died. Russell was a member of our club from 2011-12 & 2013-17. Russell worked tirelessly on the construction of the Community centre extensions which is where our bookshop is housed. Have asked Phil Perry & Ray White to write-up Russell's story for a future bulletin.

Birthdays
Jan '24/Feb '24

- 31/01 - Narelle Moxon
- 06/02 - Gail Davis
- 11/02 - Bett Calford

Wedding Anniversaries
Jan'24/Feb'24

- 10/02 - Kerry & Julie Medway
- 14/02 - Craig & Donna Wearne
- 21/02 - Ted & Robyn Giblin