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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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Congratulations to Deb Tougher PHF

At the Changeover of the R/C of Port Macquarie West Deb Tougher along with Uncle Bill O'Brien were honoured with Paul Harris Fellowships for exemplary service to the community. Especially the Biripi indigininous community and the YPSpace outreach to the Homeless in Kempsey.

Well done Deb, we are very proud of you.

Dunbogan Rotary Tree Planting

Story by Diana Gammon

Morning Tea was held at The Shed to celebrate the completion of the Dunbogan Planting Program on private land on the Dunbogan Peninsula owned by Nette and Andy MacCoubrie. The land is in an area only partly covered by koala friendly vegetation and needed replacement trees such as Swamp Mahogany, Tallowwood and Forest Red Gum plus protective wire guarding to protect young plants, planted by Rotarians a couple of years ago.

The Rotarians visit to Dunbogan on Sunday 2nd June was to celebrate the completion of this Environmental Program which began in 2021. Fancy cakes and brewed coffee were the order of the day. The Shed was not what was expected by the Rotarians. The place was quite large, built by

Andy with the roof made from sawed fence posts and the aboriginal carving through the window also just made with a saw, He named the carving Neville.

Some of the land that Andy and Nette purchased is absolutely pristine and rare and has been legally placed in perpetuity for future generations.

More on this interesting story in the future.





| <u>Date</u> | <u>Program</u> | <u>Speaker</u> | | <u>Program Chr</u> | <u>Sergeant</u> | |
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| June 24th | One hour meet at Pan- thers followed by bistro | | Club Assembly. Election of President-Elect for 2024-2025. Club election tonight | Ray Hodgson | Kerry Medway | |
| | One hour meet at Panthers followed by optional bistro tea | | PLEASE NOTETHERE WILL BE NO CHANGEOVER MEETING THIS YEAR New program to be advised | | | r er |
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Rescuing Nepal's Daughter

Ross Nancarrow CEO for Every Daughter Matters (rescuing girls being trafficked across the Nepal border into India). Ross is meeting the District Governor Rajandra Prasad Dhoju & the District Secretary Dinesh Raj

Manandhar for Ross to submit a request for funds for this rescue mission. The DG is the President of Rotary Disaster Aid in Nepal for 2024-25.



YPSpace MNC -Help for the Homeless

Deb Tougher reports - Ngurra Youth Housing Project how has six cabins in

operation as Temporary
Accommodation in Kempsey. The cabins
(one pictured right) are nearly always full. We are in the process of applying

for another grant to add a further six cabins. Council has stipulated that the cabins must be on wheels in case of floods (which is highly unlikely)

We are about to launch the Bi-Annual 'HIKE FOR THE HOMELESS' Challenge. This time it is in Peru in April 2025. All hikers are welcome for a 15 day 'moderate' hike up to Machu Picchu. Deb will be looking for a llama....lol!



Proud to be a part of the adopt a club partnership with PCYC and Dignity. Thanks to the local area governors of Rotary and incoming Community Leader Robin Norton for assisting with this opportunity. We can garnish the support of local clubs and businesses to save food from landfill and feed the people who need it most. If we feed hungry families, they can pay their rents and it is just one step towards preventing homelessness. Thanks to Lea Lloyd and Sherrin Fishwick of Dignity and the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie Sunrise for their amazing vision.

A report from PDG Debbie Loveday (pictured with the freezer full of food) >>>>



Congratulations to Reg Pierce OAM from the Wauchope Rotary Club for his Order of Australia Medal for service to the community & Rotary.

> Tonight's meeting is a fellowship gathering at the Settlers Inn

Club election of President - Elect for 2024-25 on 24th June. All members urged to attend this important meeting

Birthdays June '24

25/06 - Lynn Slack

Wedding <u>Anniversaries</u>

24/06 - Bill & Gai Nixon

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