

The Port Wheel

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New Club Board 2024 - 2025

This evening, Club President Ray Hodgson unveiled the new Rotary International banner and awarded badges to the incoming Club Board for 2024/2025. Congratulations to all incoming board members.

Office Bearers for 2024/2025

President - Ray Hodgson

Vice President - Ian Davis
Secretary - Rob Dalla Costa
Treasurer - Bob Cleland
Club Service Director - Andrew Hinton
Membership/Marketing Director - Georgia Hinton
Youth Director - Diana Gammon
Vocational Director - Neil Porter



24-2025 Presidential Theme Of Rotary

"The Magic of Rotary" is a theme that emphasises the transformative power of Rotary International's work in communities around the world. The message behind this theme likely centers on the idea that through Rotary's service, dedication, and collaboration, incredible things can be achieved to make the world a better place.

Jenny Knowles

Welfare Manager - Hope Community

Tonight, our club had the pleasure of welcoming Jenny Knowles, the Welfare Manager for the Hope Community. Jenny shared the crucial work that the Hope Community undertakes in the Port Macquarie area, providing invaluable support to those in need.

Jenny spoke passionately about her extensive experience in community service, emphasising the importance of empathy in our roles as volunteers. Her insights underscored how vital it is for us to understand and connect with the individuals we aim to help, making a real difference in their lives.

Additionally, Jenny touched on the topic of identity, highlighting how understanding the diverse backgrounds and personal stories of those we serve can enhance the effectiveness of our efforts. She reminded us that acknowledging and respecting each person's unique identity is key to fostering a supportive and inclusive community.

Her talk was inspiring and reinforced the significance of our efforts in community service. Jenny's dedication and heartfelt approach serve as a reminder of the positive impact we can all have through empathy, commitment, and a deep respect for individual identities.



The
Hope
Community

NEXT WEEK

08 July 2024

One Hour Meeting at Panthers followed by Bistro
Guest Speaker: Catherine Vara - CEO Midcoast Lifeline



Weekly Brain Teaser

Which one of the following does not belong with the others?

Binoculars, eyeglasses, goggles,
handlebars, jeans, pliers, scissors, shoes,
tweezers





CSUSPA Scholarships

Our Club has a history of supporting the Charles Sturt University student paramedics. From assistance in organising a student ball, to purchasing defibrillators and assisting students with a contribution to their placement expenses. Students have no say in where their placement will take place and this year placements have ranged from the Sydney CBD, Western Sydney, Orange, Albury and the Central Coast. Students are expected to meet their own travel and accommodation costs and these can be quite substantial.

For the past two years our club has assisted 8 students by awarding 4 grants of \$500 each to help defray these expensive placements. 14 students applied for the grants this year and their application forms contained information on their academic performance, their contribution to the community and need for assistance. Bob and Neil assessed all applications and made 2 recommendations and in June met with the students to announce the successful applicants.

Photograph showing Bob and Neil with the successful applicants.



Thank you E-mail from Hastings Education Fund For Donation

01 July 2024

Dear Bob,

On behalf of the Hastings Education Fund Chair Jim O'Brien, our

patrons Helen and John Ross and our management committee thank you for the many years of generous support from the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie to the Hastings Education Fund. Due to the generosity of our supporters we have been able to help 31 local young people this year in their first year of post school studies. We are especially grateful to you for the special Laurie Barber Memorial Scholarship. I have attached a document showing a summary of our grant recipients for this year and the subjects they are studying. *(Tune into next weeks bulletin)* We really appreciate your help, thank you for helping us to make a difference.
Kind regards,
Trish Denny



Wedding Anniversaries July 2024

14/7 - Neil and Sue Porter
27/7 - Lorryl and Glyn Rumble-Fuller



Birthdays July 2024

8/07- Andrew Hinton
8/07 - Frank Gaukroger
10/07 - Mavis Wallace
15/07 - Phil Brown
16/07- Frank Moxon
20/07 - Barbara McMahon
22/07- Brittani Michelle

“We are not put on this earth for ourselves, but are placed here for each other. If you are there always for others, then in time of need, someone will be there for you.”

- Jeff Warner



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