

Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

The Port Wheel

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Important Updates

1.We are excited to announce that **Nathan Barnett** and **Phil Perry** are joining our current 24-25 board as **Youth Director** and **Community Services Director**, respectively. We would also like to extend our heartfelt thanks to **Diana Gammon** for her years of dedication and expertise as Youth Director. Her contributions have been invaluable, and we are thrilled that Nathan will have the opportunity to take on this new

role under her mentorship.Please join us in welcoming Nathan and Phil to their new positions and in expressing our gratitude to Diana for her exceptional service!

2. Important Dates

- Club Get-Together: 20th January 2025 at Shelly Beach for a BBQ.
- First Club Meeting: 3rd February 2025 at the Port Macquarie Panthers Club.

3. This is the **final bulletin for 2024**.

4. **Georgia and Andy Hinton** will be taking some leave to welcome their new arrival, expected in late December/January. In their absence, **Nathan Barnett** has kindly offered to manage some essential functions, including the bulletin, club services roster/communication, and our Facebook page.We wish Georgia and Andy all the best during this exciting time and thank Nathan for stepping in to support our club.



Annual General Meeting 2024

Annual General Meeting Highlights – 9 December 2024

The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie held its Annual General Meeting on Monday, 9 December 2024, at Port Panthers, chaired by Ray Hodgson. With a strong turnout from members, the evening began promptly at 6:15 p.m., with attendees reflecting on another successful year of service and community engagement.

Key Resolutions

• The minutes from the 2023 AGM were unanimously accepted.

• The Treasurer's report, along with audited financials for the year ending 30 June 2024, was approved, showcasing the club's strong financial standing.

Election of Board Members for 2025–2026

Congratulations to the newly elected board members:

- President: Ian Davis
- President-Elect: Andrew Hinton
- Secretary: Rob Dalla Costa
- Treasurer: Bob Cleland
- Club Service Director: Andrew Hinton
- Community Services Director: Phil Perry
- International Service Director: Ray Hodgson
- Membership Director: Georgia Hinton
- Vocational Service Director: Neil Porter
- Youth Director: Nathan Barnett
- Environmental Director: Ian Davis
- Public Image Director: Georgia Hinton

Bookstore Update

Temporary Closure for Maintenance:

The Rotary Bookshop will be undergoing essential maintenance over the Christmas and New Year period. Decking replacement and other repairs will be completed during this time to ensure the building remains safe and welcoming for all. Please note that the Bookshop will **not** be open on **Saturday, 28 December, or Saturday, 4 January**. We look forward to welcoming you back after the break!

Reconnect and Rekindle Rotary Spirit:

If you haven't visited the Bookshop in a while, now is the perfect time! We encourage all members and friends to drop in over the next two Saturdays to catch up, browse, and

reignite the Rotary spirit. Let's bring the fun back into fundraising as we close out the year and gear up for a vibrant 2025.

Your support is what makes initiatives like the Bookshop a success. See you there!



19 December 2024 Christmas Dinner Garden Village 6pm

Weekly Brain Teaser

You see a boat filled with people. It hasn't sunk, but when you look again, you don't see a single person. Why?



Last Weeks Answer: Piano

Christmas Dinner Reminder

Rotary Club Christmas Dinner

Updated Details:

- Date: Thursday, 19 December 2024
- Location: Village Restaurant
- **Cost:** \$25 per person (includes two-course Christmas meal and a complimentary glass of bubbly or beer).

RSVP: Please confirm your attendance with Neil Porter by **Friday**, **13 December**.

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Join us to share some Christmas cheer! 🎄



Wedding Anniversaries December 2024



Birthdays December 2024

25/12 - Phil Perry 29/12 - Georgia Hinton "Small acts, when multiplied by millions of people, can transform the world." -Howard Zinn



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