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The PORT WHEEL

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Meeting notes

- Tonight's International Toast was presented by **Lorryl Rumble-Fuller** to the **Rotary Club of Kiribati (Christmas Island)**.
- **GREAT NEWS - Frank Moxon** has agreed to take up the role of the Club Website Administrator. Any contributions for the website, please send to Frank - pmqratoryweb@gmail.com Thanks. File the email address.
- A note from former German Exchange student **Judith Czeszak** - *Hi Kerry, Thanks a lot for the photo & your wishes! It was great fun being back once again!*
- A note from **Assistant Governor Lorraine Coffey** - *Congratulations on your trophy haul at conference - well done.*
- **Rotary Bowel Scan** @ Port Central from May 8 - 14th. Please roster your name on Debbie's Roster List asap. Thanks.
- Tonight **Phil Perry** presented a 3 on ME on Rotary Lodge. An update on the addition of 12 rooms & some 'funnies' that have happened in construction!
- Debbie Loveday has asked us to consider collecting **winter coats for the local homeless** following last week's challenging talk by Jenny Sinclair. More info in a future bulletin. Meanwhile search your cupboards for your unused winter coats.

Alan is our 42nd Club Member



Last week President Gil inducted the 42nd member into our Rotary Club (Gil on right is pictured above with Fred O'Toole (Membership Director) & Katherine & Alan McInerney)

Alan was born in Sydney & spent 55 years in the Sutherland Shire (Naturally he is a Cronulla Sharks football tragic). Alan attended the 2nd game the Sharks ever played at Sutherland Oval in 1967. Of course Alan went ballistic when Cronulla won their first Grand Final last year!!!

Alan has played Rugby league since he was 7 & played until he was 21, playing in excess of 200 games.

Alan completed school in 1977 (after a gap year) & trekked to the Gold Coast & "tongue-in-cheek" takes credit for starting a young people's craze now called "schoolies."

He began work at Dominelli Ford & began as a trainee in Spare Parts.

In 1980 Alan met Kathleen & they were

married in 1983. Dominelli's provided a stretch-limo (a rarity in the 1980s)

Kathleen's Dad was so impressed he didn't want to get out of the limo at the Church!!!

Kathleen & Alan have two children, now married & two granddaughters aged 3 & 2. After 10 years in Spare Parts at Dominellis Alan became the Manager of a Mazda Dealer for 10 years & then General Manager of a Toyota Dealership for 8 years.

Alan then moved to Computers & apart for a 2 year stint as National Parts Manager, worked for Higer Bus, JAC Trucks & LDV Vans until retiring in August 2016.

Frank Gaukroger (a former Inverell Holden Dealer) will be thrilled to have someone else in the club who can talk cars & cars & cars!

President: Gil Padarin-Innes **Secretary:** Terry Crossley

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CLUB MEETINGS, EACH WEDNESDAY @ Port Panthers, 5-30pm for 6pm start.

Apologies or bookings to Keith Innes...

Email - rpmclubsvcs@outlook.com

President - Gil Padarin-Innes; **President-elect & Treasurer** - Frank Beukers; **Vice-President** - Lyn Bowen
Secretary - Terry Crossley;

Directors - **Club** - Keith Innes, **Vocational** - Kerry Medway/Vern Allen, **Past-President & Community** - Phil Perry - **International** - Gai Nixon, **Youth** - Diana Gammon. **Membership** - Fred O'Toole.

Past District Governors - Roger Dulhunty 1969-70, Ivan Meldrum 1975-76, Laurie Barber 2006-07.



Club program

If you are unable to fulfil your role, please swap with someone & advise

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomer	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
April 18th (Tuesday) Transfer meeting to Port West - Anzac - Spkr - Afghanistan Veteran - Jason Gill . \$ 25p/p - 5-45 for 6-30pm							
April 26	Volunteering in India	Trish Affleck-Mooney	President Gil	Glenda Barber	nil	Keith Innes	Neil Porter
April 30th - Club Assembly at Kempsey of ALL Income Club Officers for 2017 - 2018							
May 3	Emergency Svce Volunteer of Year	Ken Sherwood SES Controller	Kerry Medway				

ANZAC TRIBUTE - Tuesday 18th Spkr. Afghanistan Veteran

Jason Gill >>>

Our club meeting on 19th transferred to Westport Clubs combined meeting RSVP to Keith Innes by Thursday 13th

Cost \$25-00 p/p



At Panthers 5-45pm (fellowship) for 6-30pm (dinner)
Dress code - men - jacket & tie wear service medals if applicable - DON'T MISS. Book NOW.

Final Call for Nominations by April 18th

We have received two excellent nominations from the Surf Life Saving Assoc & the Rural Fire Service. SES is not nominating this year. Late entries welcome by 18th. Thanks... Kerry

Rotary Emergency Services 'Volunteer of the Year' Awards 2017

Emergency Service Groups are invited to nominate a worthy volunteer as -

1. Volunteer of the Year - 2016-17
2. Junior Volunteer of the Year - 2016-17 (U18)

Please submit nominations & Volunteer's CV to the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie by 15th April 2017. The awards will be presented on Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at special award night.

Inquiries may be made to the Rotary Club OR to Vocational Director - Kerry Medway - Phone 0423 663 301 or Email: kerry@kerrymedway.org

The winners will receive a trophy plus the honour of being recognised as 'Volunteer of the Year'.



< The 2015 Rotary 'Volunteer of the Year' the late Shane Hughes (SES).



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Tonights Speaker - Paul Rayner SLSA

Paul was the inaugural winner of our club's ROTARY EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR Award in 2014.

Paul is the Director of Surf Lifesaving & spoke about some of the SLSA Support Operations behind the scenes involved in surf life saving.

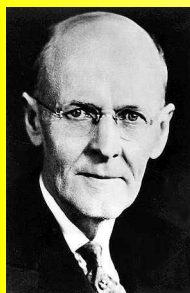
There are 303 surf clubs in Australia & 129 clubs in NSW. Sadly NSW sees half the surf drownings in Australia.

Paul and his wife are two of six Duty Officers in this Region which stretches from South West Rocks to the Camden Haven with 8 Surf Life Saving Clubs in this region. He spoke about SurfCom a modern communications pioneered in this region. The use of RWCs (Jet Skis) & IRBs (Inflatable Rubber Boats). Search & Rescue & how the SLSA works under the Police and alongside other rescue organisations in surf rescues & searches for bodies.

We are indebted to Paul & all those who serve the community in Surf Life Saving - THANKYOU.



Paul Rayner & Program Chair Phil Perry with the club's Red Book.



Rotary's Founder PAUL HARRIS

Quote - No.33

"Friendship was the foundation rock on which Rotary was built and tolerance is the element which holds it together. There is enough atomic energy in every Rotary club to blow it into a thousand bits were it not for the spirit of tolerance."

- My Road to Rotary

BIRTHDAYS April. 2017

- 18/04 - Mary Oxley
- 28/04 - Sheila (Sam) Openshaw
- 29/04 - Debbie Loveday

ANNIVERSARIES April 2017

- 15/04 - Julie & Kenn Brown
- 19/04 - John & Mary Oxley