



# The Port Wheel

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**The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie**  
**P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie**  
**NSW 2444**

- **President** - Bob Cleland
- **President-Elect** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **Vice President** - Glenda Barber
  - **Secretary** - Geoff Slack
  - **Treasurer** - Frank Moxon
  - **Club Service Director** - Brittani Michelle
- **Community Service Director** - Elizabeth Fielding
- **International Service Director** - Ray Hodgson
- **Vocational Service Director** - Neil Porter
- **Youth Service Director** - Gil Padarin-Innes
- **Membership Director** - vacant
- Club Meetings each Wednesday @ Port Panthers 6pm for 6-30pm start.
- **Apologies or bookings to - John Oxley**  
**Phone - 0414135614**
  - **Email - [jonoxley@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jonoxley@bigpond.net.au)**
- **Past District Governors -**
  - Roger Dulhunty 1969-70;
  - Ivan Meldrum 1975-76;
  - Laurie Barber 2006-07;
  - District Governor Elect** - 2020-21 Debbie Loveday
  - District Governor Nominee** - 2021-22 David Mayne
- **Bulletin Editors -**
  - Kerry Medway & Brittani Michelle

## Three-on-Me Fred O'Toole



Fred & June O'Toole (pictured at the 2011 Rotary Hat Day) have been part of our Rotary Club for 23 years. Fred has been like gold! Fred was our club President in 2000-01, one of our best Membership Directors, involved with RAWCS & Tanna & a driving force in the construction of our



Community Centre. Fred was awarded a PHF in 2003, a PHF Sapphire in 2007 & became an ARH Silver Friend in 2012

Fred tried three times to present his '3-on-me' & somehow was gazumped each time, but finally on the fourth attempt he succeeded.

*Fred was born at Coffs Harbour, the fourth of eight children. Home was a solitary house on Look At Me Headland. (near Emerald Beach nine ks south of Woolgoolga). When the family moved to Korora Basin (7 ks north of Coffs Harbour), Fred attended a one-teacher school with 59 students! Fred walked to school barefoot on a gravel road as did all the other students.*

*Fred's father built a 'new house' not far away, which was quite modern! It had no running water, no electricity, no bathroom (a big round tub in the kitchen once a week did the job!!) & an outside toilet & two bedrooms! For the first year his mother cooked over an open fire in the backyard.*

*Whilst in 4th Year at Coffs Harbour High School, Fred met a gorgeous champion hockey player. They both (coincidentally.....o yeah Fred!!!) moved to Newcastle & joined BHP and attended the University of NSW.*

*June began her nursing training at the Royal Newcastle Hospital. After dating when they could, with Fred working full time & attending Uni at night & June working all hours as a nurse. They both finally graduated & were married in 1962.*

*Fred & June will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary on 10th February 2020.*

From these humble beginnings emerged one of our great Rotarians. Perhaps Fred's tough beginnings gave him a passion to help those less fortunate, thus he has been a great Rotarian. Thanks Fred.



Fred sharing a joke with the boys at the Rotary Craft Fair at the racecourse in 2011. Pictured l/r - Ray White, Graham Wiggins, David Mayne (partly obscured), Laurie Barber & Fred.

**Winner of the PDG Barrie Titcume (1971-72) Trophy for best club bulletin in 2018-2019 in Rotary District 9650, Australia.**

# Club program

If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Brittani Michelle & Bull Editor-

Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomers	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Sep 18th	Social Evening at THAI TASTIC in Horton Street. BYO 6-30pm - RSVPs to Glenda Barber						
Friday 20th - Rotary Charity Golf Day - Raising Funds for Lifeline.... Robert Rutishauser BBQ & John Oxley							
Sep 25th	Golf Day Presentation @ Golf Club	Lifeline Rep	Cathy Vara				
Oct. 2nd	ARH Hat Day	Hat Parade &	Glenda Barber	Geoff Slack	Elizabeth Fielding	Bob Cleland	Sandra Adams

## Public Speaking



ARH Hat Day - October 2018

Our club's Public Speaking winner was Jorabelle Munday 15 from the Port Macquarie Campus of Hastings Secondary College. She spoke on Human Trafficking. Jorabelle (pictured left with English teacher Alison Black) was also accompanied by Student Co-ordinator Mark White. Jorabelle goes on to the next round of the speaking contest.

Four club members spoke on the Rotary Four-Way Test - Bob Cleland, Glenda Barber, Kerry Medway & Debbie Loveday.



A Celebration of the Life of  
**Keith William Porter**  
1924 - 2019

Rest in Peace

On Friday at 11am Neil Porter will be Celebrating his Dad's life at the North Chapel, Newcastle Memorial Park Beresfield. Neil was an only child & had a very close relationship with his Dad.

## Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **September 20th - Rotary Golf Day 2020 -**
- **March 20-22, 2020 - District Conference at South West Rocks**
- **March 26 - 29th, 2020. Rotary Book Sale**
- **June 12-14 - District MUNA @ Bonny Hills**

## Club NEWS

- **Note - RSVPs** - John Oxley will be looking after RSVPs on September 25th - Golf Day presentation.
- **RIDE LIKE A GIRL movie premiere** at the Majestic Cinemas to raise funds for POLIO PLUS will be from 5-30pm on Monday 23rd September. Tickets are \$21 p/p & available from Eventbrite or from Pres Bob Cleland.
- **NOTE** - there will not be any club bulletins for the next two weeks with both Kerry & Brittani away. The next bulletin will be on Wed. 2nd October.
- **This Saturday (September 14th) a WORKING BEE at the Rotary Community Centre** from 8-30am. Workers needed. Call Phil Perry for details.
- **Golf Day help** - We need some more volunteers for the BBQ & betting on Friday 20th. Contact Robert Rutishauser & John Oxley. Thanks to Col Pickering & Ray White for chasing up sponsors. Most of the proceeds from the golf day will be given to LIFELINE.
- **DGE Debbie Loveday** is off to Christchurch NZ for DG training next week & a conference on the week-end where **Dr Ray Hodgson** will be a keynote speaker & receive his Humanitarian Award.



## BIRTHDAYS Sept/Oct 2019

- 13/09 - Laurie Barber
- 14/09 - Lynn Sheppard
- 14/09 - Lorryl Rumble-Fuller
- 26/09 - Paul Trevillion
- 28/09 - Tamara Rumble
- 01/10 - Diana Gammon
- 01/10 - Bob Cleland

## ANNIVERSARIES September 2019

- 19/09 - Paul & Kerry Trevillion