



The Port Wheel

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The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie
P.O. Box 136, Port Macquarie
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- **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 - Elizabeth Fielding**
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- **Club Bank Details**
BSB 932-000
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- **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 Editor** - Kerry Medway

President Bob - Bushfires



House destroyed by bushfire at Upper Pappinbarra.
Photo by the Wauchope Gazette.

With bushfires continuing to cause death and destruction within our region the question has been asked by many Rotarians as what we can do to help?

Firstly, 4 Rotary Clubs in our District have established Relief programs to assist those who have suffered major loss by fires in their areas. These are Taree on Manning, Kempsey, Armidale and Armidale AM. Each of these efforts is concentrated on providing some relief to those impacted by 4 distinct major fires. Each has applied for and received funding from the Rotary Australia Compassionate Grants program.

Our Club has donated \$2,000 to the Kempsey program as I believe we should support our fellow Rotarians who are on the ground and able to deliver help where it is most needed.

We have been fortunate that the devastation caused to farms and properties elsewhere has not been so widespread in the Hastings Area. The firefighting effort in our area has been ongoing for 4 months now and our firefighters deserve our support. Assistance has been requested on three fronts. Wauchope is co-ordinating assistance at the RFS Centre in Wauchope and I will forward President George Campbell's email to all. Sunrise Club has established Farmer Joe's Pantry at Wauchope to help those with limited funds to get basic food and household supplies at no cost. Westport Rotary Club is assisting with providing Breakfast for visiting firefighters located at CSU.

Each of these requires the ongoing support of all Rotarians if our Community is to get through this period.

Please do what you can, including supporting the other Clubs in their Fundraising.

Full details are available by logging on to RAWCS.com.au website where the Bushfire Relief programs are listed on the Home page.

Kind regards
Bob Cleland - President.

NOVEMBER is

We should not live for ourselves alone, but for the joy in doing good for others

— Arch Klumph, 1929

ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH

The Rotary Foundation

Rotary Club of Legazpi West District 3820

Celebrates 100 years of doing good in the world.

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-

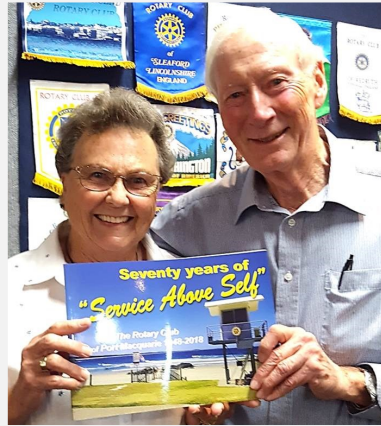
Date	Program	Speaker	Program chair	Welcomers	3 on Me	Inter. Toast	Sergeant
Dec. 4th	Club AGM	Election of Board	Bob Cleland	Sandra Adams	—————	Alastair Moss	Neil Porter
December 6-7-8 - Junior Touch Football car parking.... See roster - Phil Perry & Debbie Loveday - five spots to be filled							
Dec. 11th	Big RED Bus	Ian & Janelle Rosendhal	Gil Padarin-Innes	Ian Cropper	David Mayne	Robert Rutishauser	Sandra Adams
Dec. 18th	Club Christmas Cocktail Party Dress for Xmas	Cocktails/buffet YEP - Daniel Maxwell	Glenda Barber	??????????????	—————	??????????????	Kerry Medway plus Christmas message

Rotary Foundation Made Clear

Tonight's guest speaker PDG Ian Simpson gave a very clear outline of Rotary's Charity arm - the Rotary Foundation.

Two of its funding areas -

- **POLIO PLUS.** This is Rotary's No.1 goal to eliminate polio from the world. We are so close.
- **THE ENDOWMENT FUND.** Individuals & clubs can make contributions. The funds are put into the capital fund & after 3 years the interest is distributed to Global Grants & Diocesan Grants. Last year the Rotary Foundation gave over \$86,000,000 to needy projects around the world. The charity has a 4 star-rating with 92% of all the funds being used as aid. 6% for promotion & 2% for administration.
- Thanks Ian for making this complicated fund much clearer.



Program Chair Glenda Barber thanks PDG Ian Simpson

Note these Dates - in your diary -

- **December 6-7-8 - Junior Touch Football car parking**
- **February 14-15-16 - Senior Touch Football parking**
- **March 20-22, 2020 - District Conference at South West Rocks**
- **March 26 - 29th, 2020. Rotary Book Sale**
 - May 2nd - 9th - RYLA
- **June 12-14 - District MUNA @ Bonny Hills**



- Tonight's International Toast was presented by **Glenda Barber** to the **R/C of Rarotonga in Cook Islands.**
- **Book Sorting** - on Thursday 28th (tomorrow) from 1-30pm at the Community Centre. All good-sorters are most welcome.
- **Club AGM next week** - Incoming President Elizabeth Fielding is looking for a **Community Service Director** to fill her team. Please contact Elizabeth ASAP if you will put your hand-up.
- **Bunnings BBQ on December 29th.** Elizabeth is seeking volunteers. Please contact her.

Sam's Natty Knitters

A month ago, Sam Openshaw presented some knitted scarves, blankets, etc to the PMQ Hospital Ward 1A..

These items were knitted by an enthusiastic batch of ladies for those in need. Anitta Kocijan, a Social Worker at the hospital thanked the ladies. This generous gesture has been posted in the hospital newsletter & a note placed on the wall in the hospital waiting room acknowledging the gifts. Well done.



A notice board in Queensland during the recent fires.



BIRTHDAYS December 2019

- 02/12 - Susan Gaukroger
- 21/12 - Kerry Trevillion
- 26/12 - Phil Perry
- 28/12 - Kerry Medway

ANNIVERSARIES December 2019

- 06/12 - Diana Gammon (& Roger - deceased)