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### The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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NSW 2444 Australia

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Club Meetings Wednesdays @ Port  
Panthers 5-30pm for 6pm start. BUT  
check program on page 2 for what is  
happening.

Club bank details - BSB 932-000  
a/c 500 186 792

#### **Past District Governors**

Roger Delahanty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

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Debbie Loveday 2020-21

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# The Port Wheel

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## Welcome Ian to Port Rotary

Tonight President Deb Loveday inducted Ian Davis into the R/C of Port Macquarie. Ian first joined Rotary for five years in the 1980s as a member of the Adelaide Parks R/C. He then rejoined Rotary at the R/C of Holbrook in 2016 and was President in 2019-20. Ian's wife Gail has had a lifetime connection to Rotary with her father a Rotarian for almost 30 years at the Canberra East R/C. Gail was an Exchange Student in Wurzburg Germany in 1976. Ian was sponsored by Ted Giblin and was placed on the Community Service team in our club.

#### HERE IS IAN'S STORY -

*My name is Ian Davis. I was born in the Riverland of South Australia in 1958, the third child of fruit growing parents. My grandparents on both sides were soldier settlers after the first world war and my father started his property on*

*land given to him by an uncle after his return from the second world war. I was educated at the Winkie Primary School and then the Glossop High School. After completing high school, I moved to Adelaide where I laboured through an economics degree at The University of Adelaide and from there, I commenced a career in public accounting. I joined one of the then "big eight" accounting firms in 1979.*

*I remained working in public accounting until 1995 at which time I joined a large manufacturing company as a business unit finance manager in Adelaide. In 1997, I was offered a role in Sydney so we packed up our family and moved to "the big smoke". I held a number of CFO roles from 2002 until I retired in 2014, the last being a dual listed, multinational chemical company.*

*I am married to Gail whom I met in 1980. We were married in 1981 and have three children, Pip, Tim and Max. Gail, like me, was a Chartered Accountant until she stopped work in 2005 after which she completed a Masters of Design, specialising in textiles.*

*Our daughter Pip is about to return to Australia after 6 years in London. She and her family will settle back in Perth later this month. Tim runs our cattle and sheep business from a property in Tingha, whilst Max has a smaller property outside of Armidale and works for a large rural bank.*



President Deb Loveday, Ian & Gail Davis and Ted Giblin

Continued over

**75** YEARS  
Making a  
difference.

## Club program - If you are unable to fulfil your role, swap with someone & advise Port Wheel Editor Kerry.

Date	Program	Speaker	Program Chr	Welcomer	3 ON ME	InterToast	Sergeant
Sep 14	One hour meeting Opt Dinner @ Bistro	Deb Tougher Homelessness	Debbie Loveday				Glenda Barber
Sep 21	Meeting at Golf Club Celebrating Golf Day	Kirsty Baxter MNC Cancer	Kerry Medway				Kerry Medway
Sep 28	One hour meeting Opt Dinner @ Bistro	Program format review	Debbie Loveday				Neil Porter

### Ian Davis' story continued

*Gail and I moved to Port Macquarie in early 2022 from the southern Riverina where we had lived for the previous six years on a 50 acre farm. We owned approximately 2,000 acres of farm land in the Upper Murray which we had developed into a successful regenerative cattle and sheep farming business*

*until we were completely burnt out in January 2020. Post fires, we rebuilt the farms but then sold them as Tim and his partner wished to move north. We are very much enjoying our new home in Port Macquarie and look forward to being able to participate in our new community.*



Ian Davis with his family - daughter Pip, wife Gail & sons Tim & Max

Welcome to our club Ian & Gail, we look forward to working alongside you for Rotary.

### Blast from the Past - Feedback

*Hi Kerry, I saw the Carnival of the Pines photo in last weeks Port Wheel. I took a picture of the same float that I have identified as 1969. I do recall that it was built on an Oxley County Council Land Rover. The advantage being that they had a canvass top and the front wind-screen folded forward to provide a good base to build upon. I can't tell you anything more, but have included some more photos from the same Carnival Parade. Yours in Rotary - Malcolm McNeil - PMQ Sunrise Rotary Club (Malcolm is the son of one of our club's legends - Lloyd 'Grumpy' McNeil - Rotarian from 1958 - 2002)*



Rotary Princess floats for Helen Hennessy (above) & Dianne Moore (right)



A float celebrating Rotary's 21st - 1948 - 1969



## Club News

Stay in the Know!

- Tonight **Frank Moxon** presented a 3-on-Me. I titled it - "Frank Moxon's Schooldays"
- Tonight our guest was **Shawn Wilson** a young man who has been nurtured by our club & now at age 22 is the incoming President of the Canberra R/C. We will feature Shawn in next weeks bulletin.
- **Friday 16th September.. ROTARY GOLF DAY @ PMQ Golf Course**
- **Wednesday 21st September** - Special meeting at the PMQ Golf Club.
- **October 12th** - the Dorothea Mackellar Poetry night
- **Saturday 22nd October @** the PMQ Surf Club at Flynn's Beach - ENCOUNTER HUMAN SHARKS INTERFACE. See Ted Giblin for details
- Normal club meeting on 19th transferred to the Saturday

### Birthdays September 2022

14/09 - Lorryl Rumble- Fuller  
22/09 - Doug Heagney  
28/09 - Tamara Rumble

### Anniversaries September 2022

No spring weddings!!!!