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

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# The Port Wheel

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## Laurie Barber Scholarship

Neil Porter writes -

Following Laurie's passing, the Club Board members looked at ways in which his many years of loyal service to Rotary could be recognised. One idea submitted included a Scholarship in Laurie's name but also supporting Health. As we all know Laurie's love of and continuing support of Australian Rotary Health. It was determined to offer a three year scholarship, utilising the services of the Hastings Education Fund (HEF) who are long term providers of ongoing financial support to students in need. The Board requested a preference for a student with an interest in a Medical or Health related degree course. The Board decided to provide a 3 year, \$3,000 pa Scholarship to assist in defraying the costs of a worthy student.

In December, our club was invited to participate in the interviews of four students currently enrolled in a Health related Degree and seeking

financial support from the HEF. Gerald Haynes and Neil Porter took part in the interviews of four, very worthy students and it was unanimously decided to offer the inaugural Laurie Barber Scholarship to Luka Marshall. Luka is a young man from King Creek and is studying to be a Paramedic at Charles Sturt University. In December 2022, Glenda Barber was present at the HEF Scholarship Award night to present the Laurie Barber Scholarship to Luka who is a very proud recipient.

Commencing at High School, Luka's goal was always to study Medicine, but in 2022 he was unsuccessful in finding a place at University. To keep his dreams alive, he enrolled in the Paramedic's course in 2022 and in his first year achieved exceptional results. Those results gave Luka the incentive to try again and in 2023 he received the news that he has been accepted into the New England University Medical School. We wish Luka every success and best wishes as he embarks on his medical degree. Luka will join us at our meetings a couple of times each year to update us on his progress at Uni and in his life. Thanks Luka for such an inspiring address tonight.



Luka Marshall with Neil Porter



**PDG Laurie Barber 2006-07.**  
**Member of our club from 1982**  
**- 2022.**

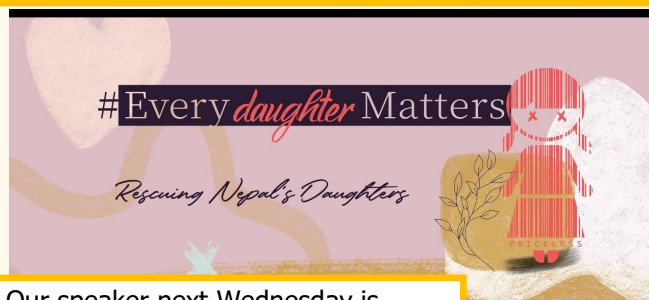
**PHF & Sapphire Pin & Club**  
**President 1985-86.**  
**Australian Rotary Health Gold**  
**Companion 2007**

**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	Program Chr	Sergeant
Feb 8th	One hour club meeting at Panthers + bistro	Ross Nancarrow	Ross will share on Human Trafficking in Nepal via Every Daughter Matters	Brittani Michelle	Glenda Barber
Feb 15th	One hour club meeting at Panthers with optional bistro	Des Kennedy	Des will speak about - Momentum Australia - Men's Health	Ted Giblin	Neil Porter
Feb 22nd	One hour club meeting at Panthers with optional bistro	Emily Cooper & David Edgeley	Port Macquarie Astronomical Society	Diana Gammon	Neil Porter

**Meeting Welcomers** - Feb 8th - Frank Moxon; Feb 15th - ???????? ; Feb 22nd - Terry Crossley



Our speaker next Wednesday is - Ross Nancarrow who will speak on Human Trafficking in Nepal.

For more information on EDM go to - [www.everydaughtermatters.org.au](http://www.everydaughtermatters.org.au)

## Rescuing Nepal's Daughters

Nearly 1.5 million Nepalis are at risk of various forms of Human Trafficking says the country's National Human Right's Commission as reported in the Kathmandu Post in March 2020. Nepali girls are especially desirable as prostitutes in India because they are considered more attractive due to their lighter skin colour, and because Nepali virgins are believed to be able to cure AIDS and other diseases.

## Club News

Stay in the Know!

### SOME DATES TO NOTE IN 2023

- **March 24-26th** District 9660 Conference in Tamworth
- **April 9-10th** PETS
- **April 13-16th** Rotary Giant Book Sale in Panthers
- **April 29 - May 6th** RYLA
- **May 12-13** - BIO Blitz

**Exciting News....** Dr Ray reported that...Construction of the Mothers & Babies Hospital in Nepal is about to begin this month. The hospital has been redesigned & is now five stories high! WOW !

Dr Ted Giblin gave us an update on BIO Blitz. Sadly Ted has broken ribs & is in much discomfort.

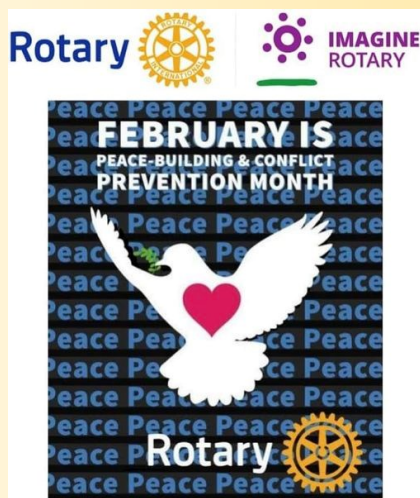
The Port Wheel will be edited by Pres Debbie Loveday for the next two Wednesdays, whilst Kerry is away. Thanks Deb.

## Taking Your Club from Good to Great

*This article containing 14 tips was in the recent DGs Newsletter. Here are the first couple of tips. Hopefully will publish rest in later bulletins.*

1. Be visible in your community (note community is not necessarily a geographic community as was the traditional way for a Club) through connecting with your local community - it's businesses, community groups and your local Council.
2. Be focussed on fellowship and service - adopt the new flexibility around meetings and engagement with members. Ensure that members engagement is positioned around Club activities and projects that align to the needs of your community and the passions and interests of your members.
3. Vibrant Clubs engage their members, conduct meaningful projects and try new ideas.
4. Ensure that your Club meetings are informative and engaging to build on the connection of members.

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### ALERT

for your diary

Members, Parents and Teachers

Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

### SCIENCE NIGHT

at Panthers

Wednesday

8th March 2023

5.30 for 6.00 pm

**Speakers**

Rymarine Program

Erin Kaczorowski

Natasha Day

Ruby Gallagher

National Youth Science Forum

Tia McGrath

Elliott Worner

Samuel Reniers

### Birthdays February 2023

06/02 - Gail Davis  
11/02 - Bett Calford  
18/02 - Alastair Moss

### Wedding Anniversaries February 2023

10/02 - Kerry & Julie Medway  
50th Wedding Ann.  
14/02 - Craig & Donna Wearne  
21/02 - Ted & Robbie Giblin