

# The Port Wheel

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**76 YEARS**

1948 - 2024

## The Rotary Club of Port Macquarie

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PDG David Mayne

**Rotary Foundation** -

Phil Perry

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 Dulhunty 1969-70

Ivan Meldrum 1975-76

Laurie Barber 2006-07

Debbie Loveday 2020-21

David Mayne 2021-22

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## FLASHBACK TO 1997

### *Delphine speaks at Club Changeover*

At the Changeover in 1996, Past President Phil Brown handed over to incoming President Kerry Medway. Guest speaker at the Changeover was popular Inbound Exchange Student Delphine Graff from France. Delphine had us entranced with her beautiful French accent and told many humorous stories of her experiences in Australia. It was a hi-lite of the night with Delphine flanked by three other Rotary Exchange Students - Tracy Knight from Canada (R/C of Port West), Urara Kojima from Japan (Laurieton R/C) and Telita Stever the outgoing student from our club to Denmark.

Phil informed the club that over \$15,000 had been donated to the community, including \$4000 for Prostrate Cancer, over \$5000 to the scouts & sea scouts & \$1300 to the RSPCA. It was also sad to note that we lost foundation member Charles Uptin & long-time Rotary legend Dick Gentle.

*Information from the Port Macquarie News July 2nd 1997.*

Delphine will be returning to our club next Wednesday with her family after 27 years. She will have her husband & two sons with her.



Delphine



Phil & Helen Brown

### New 50th Anniversary Club Board - 1997-98



□ **New board:** The incoming board of the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie comprises Fred O'Toole, Gordon Milne, Ken McKenzie, Phil Brown, Kerry Medway, Trevor Terrett, David Kennett, Terry Crossley and Dennis Ray.



Glenda Barber with two popular exchange students - Delphine Graff from France & Jodi Doran from the USA at Comboyne in 1996



**CREATE HOPE in the WORLD**

RI Theme 2023-24



**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
Aug 9th	One hour meeting followed by bistro meal	Delphine	Visit from Inbound Exchange Student Delphine Kauffer (nee Graaf) from France	David Mayne	Kerry Medway
Aug 16th	One hour meeting followed by bistro meal	Winter Social Dinner at Nostalgia, Colonial Arcade. See advert below & RSVP to Glenda		Kerry Medway	Glenda Barber
Aug 23rd	One hour meeting followed by bistro dinner	Leon Carle	Bio Diversity & the Hastings Amateur BEEKEEPERS	Deb Loveday	Kerry Medway

**Meeting Welcomers** - Attendance tonight -

## Delphine our guest speaker next week. Don't miss

Delphine with her husband Olivier >>>

Her two sons will also be present - Antoine 15 & Martin 9.



## Gerald Haynes Death

Sadly on Monday morning, Gerald Haynes died.

Gerald had not been well for some time. Our love goes out to his wife Hazel & family & also to close mate Brian Calford & Bett.

Gerald was born in England in 1938. On April 3rd 1961, he married Hazel and they now have three children and eight grandchildren.



**Gerald Haynes with wife Hazel being inducted into the PMQ R/C by Vice President Neil Porter as our 399th member in 2019.**

Gerald & Hazel & son David, arrived in Australia in 1965 & became Australian Citizens in 1980. As an engineer with an English Company & following a period in the USA, Gerald was transferred to Sydney. Unfortunately, the company soon ceased operations. Gerald then joined Shell in a technical support role, supporting the marketing of coal. He obtained a Master's Degree in Applied Science at the University of NSW.

Gerald joined the Rotary Club of Kempsey in 2000 & held various positions in the club, including Treasurer. He was President of the Kempsey R/C in 2002. During his Presidency the club won a District Award for the Kempsey Hospital Gardens. Gerald was made a Paul Harris Fellow in 2009. He initiated the breakfast program at Kempsey High School which has continued for 15 years. Gerald & Hazel operated a monthly Book Club for Dementia & maintained the Dementia Garden in Port Macquarie.

In 2019 Gerald & Hazel along with close friends Brian & Bett Calford moved to Port Macquarie and transferred to the R/C of Port Macquarie. Gerald has been involved in supporting some of our club's youth projects. Recently interviewing students for NYSS, etc.

Gerald was asked—What would your wife/and or children say is the 'oddest thing' you do or say? The answer was - having a mobile phone, but not turning it on!!!!

Gerald's funeral date is not yet known. But we will advise.

## Club News

Stay in the Know!

THE ROTARY CLUB OF PORT MACQUARIE PRESENTS

### WINTER SOCIAL DINNER

JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP ON  
**WEDNESDAY AUGUST 16TH**  
STARTS FROM 06 PM \$40PP

AT NOSTALGIA COLONIAL ARCADE PM

RSVP to Glenda Barber  
Phone - 0412 618 183  
Email: gbarber@midcoast.com.au

- **Tonight's guest speaker was our club member - IAN DAVIS** who gave a passionate talk on **REGENERATIVE FARMING**. Based on holistic management.
- Ian recommended a book by Charles Massey "The Call of the Reed-Warbler".
- Would be great if at some time Ian could share his talk to a much larger audience. Thanks Ian.

### Birthdays August 2023

07/08 - Craig Wearne  
22/08 - Tony Moore  
29/08 - Glynn Fuller

### Wedding Anniversaries August 2023

28/08 - Robert & Josie Rutishauser