

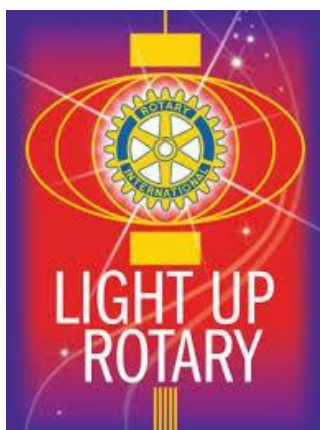
# ROTARY CLUB OF PORT FAIRY INC

*Registration No: A002126/C*

**District 9780**



## ANNUAL REPORT 2014/15



To be presented at Changeover Dinner – 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015

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**Welcome to the Rotary Club of Port Fairy**

We meet Mondays at 7:00 PM  
Star of the West Hotel  
76 Sackville Street  
Port Fairy, Victoria 3284  
Australia

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Rotarians Clean Up!  
Posted by Harry Bracegirdle on Jun 28, 2013  
Members of the Rotary Club of Port Fairy did their bit to help clean up Port Fairy.

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**This month**

Jun 2013						
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**Club Events**



*Club members and guests (Dinner Meeting February 2015)*

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## Membership of the Rotary Club of Port Fairy Inc.

### Club Executive (Board Members) 2014/15

<b>President:</b>	..... John Clue
<b>Past President:</b>	..... Hester Woodrup
<b>President Elect:</b>	..... Michael Crowe
<b>Secretary:</b>	..... Harry Bracegirdle
<b>Treasurer:</b>	..... Bernie Waixel
<b>Director of Membership, Youth &amp; Public Relations:</b>	..... Margaret Broers
<b>Director of Service Projects:</b>	..... Reg Beattie

### Full Membership listing for 2014/15

<b>Members 2014/15</b>		<b>*Members who left Club during year</b>
Brian Atkins	Joanne Levey	Danny Warner
Maureen Beattie	William Moore	
Reg Beattie	Colwyn Martin	
Harry Bracegirdle	Kevin Matthews	
Margaret Broers	Jeffrey McLean	
John Clue	Lynette Morgan-Payler	
Geoff Coxall	Trafford Morgan-Payler	
Adrian Crosier	Brett Murray	
Michael Crowe	James Robinson	
Jude Dawson	Peter Smith	
Jim Delaney	Bernie Waixel	
John Ellard	Danny Warner*	
Jill Gleeson	Margaret Whitehead	
Lucy King	Hester Woodrup	

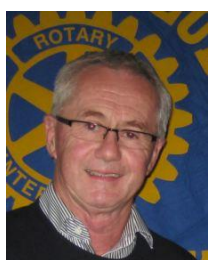
### Membership changes in 2014/15

2014/15 resulted in a healthy increase in membership numbers compared to the previous year. We welcomed new members, Jude Dawson, Bill Moore, Peter Smith, Lucy King, and Jo Levey. Unfortunately, Danny Warner resigned in June 2015 as his work commitments made it very difficult for him to attend regular Dinner meetings or to participate fully in Club activities. Membership peaked at 28 during 2014/15.

### Incoming Club Executive for 2015/16

<b>President:</b>	..... Michael Crowe
<b>Past President:</b>	..... John Clue
<b>Vice-President / President Elect:</b>	..... Adrian Crosier
<b>Secretary:</b>	..... Geoff Coxall
<b>Treasurer:</b>	..... Bernie Waixel
<b>Director of Membership, Youth &amp; Public Relations:</b>	..... Jill Gleeson
<b>Director of Service Projects:</b>	..... Reg Beattie

## Report from the President



The most difficult part of writing this report is how I start. I remember back to last year's Changeover Dinner and the excitement that I felt being part of such a great organization and working with an enthusiastic group of people within the Rotary Club of Port Fairy who share a passion for community service and friendship. I thank all our members for giving me the privilege and honour of being their Club's President for the past year. Our club has maintained strong momentum over all avenues of service throughout the year which places the Club on a sound footing for the future.

Being an effective President does not come without support from others and I would like to thank the Board for their energy, direction, ideas, robust conversations and commitment to their positions. One of the big adjustments I found during the year was the balance between full time work and Rotary commitments. Without the commitment and energy of the Board and Club members it would have been so much more difficult.

During the year we had some important milestones for two of our members. Col Martin celebrating his 100th birthday and Margaret Whitehead being the recipient of a Paul Harris Fellowship and an Order of Australia Medal for her service to the community. Members also had the rare privilege to view the presentations they received from the Queen and Governor General.

I outlined at last year's Changeover Dinner some of the priorities that I had for the year ahead and feel that most of these have been achieved. My commitment to Moyne Health Services in that our club would contribute up to \$10,000 towards their building program has been achieved. Sustaining and increasing club membership has been achieved with club membership now 28, an increase of 5 over the year. I thank Membership Director, Marg Broers, for her ongoing commitment and encouragement to members to grow this important cornerstone of our clubs ongoing future.

The purchase of two defibrillators with the assistance of the Port Fairy Folk Festival and the Star of the West Hotel has been completed. A training session was recently conducted on the use of these machines with further community awareness programs to be undertaken in the near future.

When you reflect on the year we have, as a Club, been very busy and accomplished much over the past year. Once again, our annual Open Garden Day was a great success and we thank all those people who generously opened their gardens on the day. Hester Woodrup has been the big driver behind this event and I thank her for her tireless work. Other activities include the Folk Festival gates and BBQ, Port Fairy Show Gates, Port Fairy Rodeo Car Parking, Meals on Wheels, Bowelscan, working bees at Charles Mills Reserve (Rotary Park), Battery Point and along the golf course road, the New Year's Eve BBQ and Retro-running race, the Christmas Lights competition and the books for new born babies program. These are some of the community activities we support. I would like to thank John Ellard for his on-going work in organizing the annual Bowelscan program.

Our Youth program provided the opportunity for a local student, Yvette Raymond, to attend the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra with Yvette sharing her experiences as a guest speaker at a recent Club Dinner meeting. We also sponsored a student to the "Alternate to Schoolies" program and once again enjoyed her experiences at a meeting. In June we were once again hosted by students from the Consolidated School for our Dinner meeting and entertainment provided by the students. Thanks to Jeff McLean for his work in our youth programs.

Thanks to Geoff Coxall for the organization of our annual Car Raffle conducted in conjunction with the Rotary Club of Ballarat South. This is a major fund raiser for the club with many hours contributed by all members to the selling rosters. Also, sincere thanks to Wilma Preston for her on-going support of our annual painting raffle.

The opening of the Port Fairy lighthouse is always an attraction for the many visitors to Port Fairy and once again, thanks to organisers Adrian Crosier and Jim Robinson, we have enjoyed conducting the lighthouse tours with entry donations going towards our many local projects. We also ran a successful Trivia Night and a Progressive Dinner that helps provide good fellowship and fundraising.

Our screening of the movie "*The 2<sup>nd</sup> Most Exotic Marigold Hotel*" attracted many theatre goers over two sessions with the total proceeds of ~\$2,500 being donated to Rotary International for its PolioPlus program. Thanks to Margaret Whitehead, Marg Broers, and Maureen Beattie for their work in organising this event.

There have been many other assisted programs that our Club has been involved in, Shelter Box, Aqua Box, Water for East Timor, Rotary Ride for Research, Murray to Moyne cycling event, Moyneyana Festival, Alternate to Schoolies program and others.

With the hard work of Club Treasurer, Bernie Waixel and Secretary, Harry Bracegirdle, who both assisted in the preparation and submission of Grant applications to the Port Fairy Folk Festival our Club was able to secure two grants as part of our international service programs. The first of these was in support of volunteers working at the Taksenkangbloung Community Centre in Cambodia to construct chicken pens and vegetable gardens to assist the villagers become more self-sufficient. The Birchell family organise the program in Taksenkangbloung and have attended our Club meetings as guest speakers keeping members up to date as to how the funds are being used and the benefits achieved for the village. The second project was held in conjunction with local Tanzanian family- Seif Sakate and Catherine Ryan. Funds were used to assist with a building project in Seif's home village of *Mto Wambu* for the construction of a kindergarten. As part of that project a local group, that included several Rotarians, travelled to the village and took part in the construction works. Our Club also collected shoes that could be used by the local children together with some soccer balls and clothing. Bernie Waixel had some additional hard work in arranging the transportation of the donated items. We thank the donors who provided for the cost of transportation.

The Club upgraded some equipment during the year that included a new BBQ and trestle tables that are used for our catering. The new community catering van made our Folk Festival BBQ more user-friendly and will be a great asset into the future. I would like to acknowledge the work that Reg Beattie and Adrian Crosier undertook to have the van compliant with local Health and Vic Roads laws. Our club also contributed to the cost to meet these requirements.

Our involvement with Port Fairy-Belfast Lions Club and the Port Fairy Men's Shed came to the fore when we combined together to jointly conduct a Men's Health forum. The event included speakers from Beyond Blue, Port Fairy Medical Clinic, Ambulance Victoria, Peter's Project founder, Vicki Jellie, together with local men sharing their personal health issues and how they dealt with the outcomes.

In our weekly meetings we endeavour to have a guest speaker on a regular basis. Our guest speaker coordinator, Kevin Matthews, has done a fantastic job in arranging a wide range of speakers that have made meetings so much more informative and entertaining. Thanks Kevin for a job well done.

A Club Assembly was held during the year with my main focus to develop a working document that we could provide to members and prospective members as to what our Club represented. My idea was to develop a *Vision & Mission* statement that pertained to the Club. With the assistance of Jim Delaney, and drawing on his professional experiences in this area, a document has been developed that will be used as part of our Club's individual identity. I thank Jim and President-Elect, Michael Crowe, for their energy in compiling this document.

As with other years, our Club has once again made significant donations to various humanitarian groups as well as clubs and organizations within our community. **A list of these can be viewed in this Annual Report.**

The Rotary Club of Port Fairy can be very proud of its achievements and I thank all members for their support, hard work and commitment to all the various activities that we have undertaken over the past year. I wish incoming President Michael and his Board a successful Rotary year as I am sure with the ongoing support of members this will be achieved.

*John Clue - President, Rotary Club of Port Fairy (2014/15)*



**FINANCIAL REPORT 2014/15** (as at 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015)

Activities		Notes	2013/14	2012/13	2011/12
<b>Club Operations</b>					
Income	\$22,347	Meetings, fines, Membership dues, etc.	\$21,077	\$20,505	\$23,601
Expenses	\$20,323	New member costs, projects & Misc. expenses	\$20,951	\$22,502	\$21,498
<b>Fund Raising</b>					
Income	\$23,712	* See list below	\$23,304	\$20,925	\$25,275
Expenses	\$6,084	Catering costs, theatre hire, Xmas cards, etc.	\$4,345	\$4,857	\$4,326
<b>Grants/ Projects/Activities</b>					
Income	\$2,850	PFFF grants for Cambodia and defibrillators	\$4,149	\$4,310	\$1,550
Expenses	\$6,881	Literacy program, Tanzania project, defibrillators, etc.	\$3,047	\$4,859	\$2,228
<b>Donations made</b>					
Expenses	\$21,567	* See list below	\$17,199	\$10,000	\$26,050
Total Income	\$48,909		\$48,530	\$45,741	\$50,426
Total Expenditure	\$54,855		\$45,542	\$42,217	\$54,102
<b>Profit/Loss</b>	<b>-\$5,946</b>		<b>\$2,988</b>	<b>\$3,523</b>	<b>-\$3,676</b>
Balance at 1 July 2014	\$10,565				
<b>Balance at 10 June 2015</b>	<b>\$4,619</b>				

**Fund Raising Income**

Christmas Cards	210
Election Day BBQ	554
Film Day	4,110
Folk Festival (BBQ & Gate)	2,316
Lighthouse Tours	1,573
New Years Eve BBQ	1,464
Open Gardens	3,482
Progressive Dinner	968
Raffles (Car Raffle, Painting Raffle, etc.)	6,203
Rodeo Car Parking	500
Trivia Night (before extracting meal costs)	2,335

<b>Total Fund Raising Income</b>	<b>23,712</b>
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**Donations**

Children's First Foundation	100
Community House	300
Interplast	300
Lifeline	200
Marine Rescue Boat	300
Moyne Health Services (Hospital refurbishment)	10,000
Moyneyana Festival	300
National Youth Science Forum	1,250
Polio Plus	3,100
Port Fairy Citizens Band	400
Port Fairy Surf Club & Nippers	500
Port Fairy Theatre Group	500
Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS)	200
Rotarians Against Malaria Service (RAMS)	300
Alternative to Schoolies program	400
Shelter Box	1,000
St Vincents de Paul	150
Taksenkangbloung Community Fund	1,200
Tanzania	100
Tasty Plate	300
The Francis Foundation	150
Water for East Timor	517

<b>Total Donations</b>	<b>21,567</b>
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NB. As the Annual Report is being presented at the Changeover Dinner on 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015 then the financial report presented above only includes transactions up to 10<sup>th</sup> June 2015



*Marg Broers & Wilma Preston sell raffle tickets  
New Years' Day 2015*



*District Governor Geoff James with wife Merrill*



*President John Clue lays wreath  
on Anzac Day*



*New member Lucy King with  
sponsor Brett Murray*



*Col Martin turns 100 and cuts his  
cake*



*John Clue presents cheque to Rebecca Birchell for  
Taksenkangbloung Community Centre*



*Barb Eldridge, Marea Ellard, Jill Gleeson &  
Hester Woodrup at 2014 Xmas Party*



*Margaret Whitehead (OAM) with sisters*



*New members and partners (Feb 2015)*





Newest member, Jo Levey



Guest speakers  
Seif Sakate & Catherine Ryan



Rotarians and friends working hard in  
Mto Wambu, Tanzania



Rotarians help build kindergarten in Mto Wambu Tanzania



Rotarians and partners enjoy the 2014 Changeover Dinner



Rotarians, partners and guests enjoy the  
2014 Changeover Dinner



Adrian Crosier receives his service recognition certificate  
from President John Clue



2014/15 Secretary Harry Bracegirdle with wife, Diana



2014/15 President John Clue with wife, Heather