



Mackay West Bulletin

The Rotary Club of Mackay West Inc.

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Meets each Wednesday 6:00 for 6:15PM at The Shamrock Hotel Mackay, 165 Nebo Road, Mackay



Kevin Casey
President, Mackay West



Rotary Grace

“We break the bread of brotherhood.
We thank thee Lord for all things good.
May we, more blessed than we deserve.
Live less for self and more to serve.”



Governor Rod Medew and Cathy



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

President Kevin and Trish are away until January so I am acting during their absence.

This week we welcome Club member Jim Brown and wife Judith as guest speakers. During July this year they travelled to Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan, well known destinations to all travellers - those who get off the beaten track that is! I have no doubt it will be an entertaining evening.

The Christmas party at Church on Palmer was well attended and most enjoyable. It was great to have our Rotaryannes there. We are fortunate to have their strong support.

The Len Hansen Bursaries will be awarded this Thursday to two deserved winners at Victoria Park State School. An assignment on the Vietnam War and its impact on the world was a major focus of Term 4 and the preparation of a report culminated in winners being chosen. Geoff Morgan will present the winner with \$1000 and second place will receive \$500. The money goes to the schools they attend next year to assist with their school fees. On behalf of the Club, I want to thank former member Matthew Edwards for his great work in supervising and ensuring the success of this initiative. The Len Hansen Bursary is a sought after and prized award.

The Pioneer Valley Rotary and Walkerston Rotary Christmas Fairs were cancelled due to rain. I have to say our Club has been fortunate over the years with our Fair – let's hope it continues.

The Club is catering for two Council events at the Paget depot this week. The first is a BBQ breakfast on Wednesday 12th with a 6.15 am start for 7 am eat. Ten members are required. The second BBQ is Friday 14th with a 12 noon start for 12.30 pm eat. Five members are required. Please continue the strong support. For further information contact Bruce Howlett.

A reminder there is no Board meeting this month.

Next week there will be no guest speaker. Instead we are having a Joke Night. Each member needs to have a joke and I understand Benji has asked to be first cab off the rank.

Be The Inspiration!

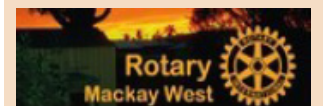
Yours in Rotary,
PP Ross Walker



Barry Rassin
President, Rotary International



BE THE INSPIRATION



Our Rotary Club of Mackay West Proudly supports:

Local Charities, Events & Community Projects

International Programmes

The Australian Rotary Health Research Fund

The Mercy College Interact Club

Rotary Australia World Community Service

The National Youth Science Forum & other Rotary Youth Programmes



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THIS WEEK

WED Mackay Regional Council, Paget - BBQ Breakfast
6:15am to 8am (Fundraiser)

Registration:
Michael Curtin
Geoff Morgan

Special Duties:
David Dunkley
Frank Hurley

FRI 2nd BBQ Breakfast
12pm start for 12:30pm eat

DIARY DATES / DECEMBER - JANUARY

DEC 19 Joke Night - All members to share a joke

DEC 26 Christmas Break
No Meeting

JAN 2 Christmas Break
No Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

December 2:
Doug & Denise Neville

December 17:
Brian & Elizabeth Dean
Ross & Wendy Walker

December 20:
Jim & Judith Brown

BIRTHDAYS

December 1:
Brian Dean

December 3:
Trevor Townsend

December 18:
Dale Stebbeings
Pauline Townsend

December 19:
Eddie Woodwell

December 24:
John McKay

December 28:
Wendy Walker

December 30:
John Deguara

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES for December

John Deguara (2 years)

GOING TO MISS A MEETING?

Advise Eric Barry by 2PM on Monday,
PH: 0432 802 910 | Email: efbarry@bigpond.com
or consider a make up at a local club or online

MON	6:30 PM 6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Sarina Airlie Beach Pioneer Valley	Sarina Motor Inn Reef Gateway Duke of Edinburgh Hotel
TUES	6:15 PM 6:30 PM 7:15 PM	Mackay Proserpine Walkerston	Ocean International
WED	7:00 PM	Moranbah Rotary	Meets 1st and 3rd Wed of the month at Rotary Hut, Bacon St. Moranbah (No meals)
THU	7:00 AM 12:30 PM	Mackay North	North Mackay Bowls
FRI	7:00 AM 12:30 PM	Mackay Sunrise Port of mackay	Ocean International Ocean International 4957 2044

Any Day Any time

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www.rotarynews.info/club4390



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Last week meeting:

Sunday December 2nd we gathered at the Ocean International for the Children's Christmas Party and a social get together.

It was grossly hot so the air-conditioned dining room was most welcome. This year we had only six children receive presents on the day.

A very hot Santa had a little trouble with the prickly beard. It was great to see the paper being torn off presents with lots of enthusiastic laughter.





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Wednesday December 5th Our meeting was held at the Church on Palmer Restaurant as the Club Christmas Party.

Guests included helpers from our Fair. The night was very informal and enjoyed by all.

President Kev and Tricia were in travel mode, preparing to fly out to the United States early Thursday morning. Tricia has promised to send a white Christmas photo from New Hampshire





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“With mirth and laughter let old wrinkles come.”
– William Shakespeare, *The Merchant of Venice*



Major Len Hansen OAM

The Len Hansen Bursary was introduced in 2008 in memory of Mackay West Charter Member, Major Leonard Oswald Hansen OAM who was born in 1917 and died in 2007.

The Bursary is awarded to a graduating student at Victoria Park State School, where Len was a first day pupil and where he assisted staff and students over many years. A Bursary prize is presented as a cheque made out to the High School that the winner will attend. The bursary Project is a most important project in the academic year at Vic Park encouraging students to study and present assignments.

In their final term, students are tasked with preparing an assignment which includes elements of English, Geography, History and Art. The Bursary task is the students' major focus and, for the first six weeks of term four it absorbs much of their time. They are challenged to

learn all they can about the Vietnam War and its impact on the world.

Students will give a summary of the Vietnam Conflict before 1965. Students will complete a map of South East Asia labelling Vietnam and its neighbours.

(2) Students will investigate and identify the reasons and circumstances involved in Sir Robert Menzies's decision to send Australian combat troops to the Vietnam War in 1965. Students will include an original cartoon to demonstrate their understanding of the Domino Theory.

(3) Students will identify and recognise the cost of the war on the Australian people by a specific study based on Brian Thomas Young, an ex Victoria Park student and one of the 501 killed in Vietnam.

These assignments have been presented to the Club and a selection panel made up of Geoff Morgan and Vic Mason then has the difficult task of deciding a winner.

In 2017 The first prize of \$1000.00 was awarded to Imogen Wood and second prize of \$500.00 went to Mwansa Nawale.



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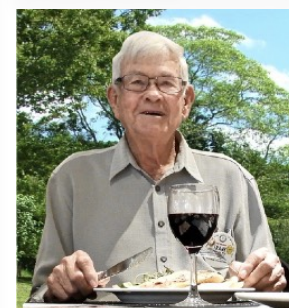
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“After 49 years in Rotary, I find it’s all about friendship - Why not invite a friend to join us.”
Frank Hurley

