

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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ABN: 13 501 173 192

Meeting Roster

	Topic	Chairperson	Greeter/ Thanker	Happy/Sad \$	Raffle	Birthdays/Anniversaries
May 21st	Fellowship night - Partner/friends welcome	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	22/5 Pearl Macmillan, 23/5 Jenny Clairs, 24/5 Anne Geerings, 25/5 Graeme Chamberlain, Marita Scott, 26/5 Jenny Wright
May 28th	RYLA Experiences - Josh Williams	Alan Keyse	Alex Magee	Gordon King	Janet Alexander	1/6 Wal Kelly
June 4th	Vocational Awards	Marita Scott	Kath Venters.	Penny Broome.	David Larkin.	4/6 Chris Watson, 5/6 David Larkin, 6/6 Neil Templeton, 7/6 Gillian Morgan

Our Club

President

Secretary



Lynne Carlson

Rod Bush

Where: We will meet each Tuesday at the **Ocean Grove Bowling Club**



When: 6pm for 6:30pm
Visitors are Welcome



Meeting enquiries or apologies:
Lyndy Stagg - 0429 436 858
Web: rotaryoceangrove.org.au

We acknowledge the traditional First Nation custodians of country throughout Victoria and their ongoing connection to this land. We pay our respects to their culture and their Elders, past, present and emerging.

Meeting notes - 14th May

Footy Tipping: Janet Alexander won this week, Rod Greer and Geoff Chandler lead the competition.

Community: The BBQ trailer will be used at Feed Me Bellarine on 18/5/24 from 9am to 2.00pm. Some more helpers are needed. Please see Coogs.

Environment: World Environment Day is on 12/6/24. Noel hopes the Club might support the efforts of Coast Care with work on the spit. See Noel if able to help with planting on 2/6/24.

Strategic Planning. Meredith O'Neill. The results of the work members have been doing will be published shortly.

Guest Speaker. Prue Francis.

Prue is a Senior Lecturer at Deakin University and is particularly involved in ocean literacy and seaweed cultivation.

Conservation of the **Great Southern Reef** which extends for 8,000 kilometres of coastline around Southern Australia is her main area of interest.



Prue Francis

Monthly **Theme: May - Youth Service****Past bulletins**

- Available from our website (rotaryoceangrove.org.au) via the 'Our Club' menu.

Contacts

Market: 0401 606 036

Art Show: 0417 319 465.

Wisdom for the Week

Nothing changes if nothing changes

One liners

- 6:30 is the best time on a clock, hands down.
- I can tell when people are being judgmental just by looking at them.
- Well, to be Frank with you, I'd have to change my name.

Links

Rotary International: www.rotary.org

Rotary District 9780: www.rotary9780.org

Rotary Foundation:

www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au

Footy Tipping: www.footytips.com.au

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/RotaryOG>

Instagram: [#rotarycluboceangrove](https://www.instagram.com/rotarycluboceangrove)

Please remember:

You receive an email each week asking about your attendance at the next meeting - **please respond when you get it**

The whole area is interconnected through the flow of currents and the biological growth found on the reef.

There are 1400 species of seaweed, 700 species of fish and 1000 different sponge species. Some of these are rare and most are endemic to the area.

The Golden Kelp Forest particularly important as it provides habitat and food for the creatures living in the area.

The reef has a great economic value of 29 billion dollars through commercial fishing, recreation, and carbon capture.

However, the system is under threat from climate change and pollutants from land use and human waste. The pollutants encourage growth of the endemic purple sea urchin and its proliferation is particularly severe in Port Philip Bay.

Prue's work aims to control the growth and numbers of sea urchins through the growth of kelp forests. The experimentation and work is done at the Marine Discovery Centre at Queenscliff. Practical experience is provided to Deakin students doing degrees in Marine Science in the well-equipped laboratories at the centre and the waters of the Bay.

Great care is required in the planting of the tiny kelp plants in the two areas being used. Results are pleasing and baby plants are establishing well with many developing structures for holding fast to the surfaces, 'green rocks', that have been installed in the Bay. The future of this precious environment, Prue believes depends on Research, Management, Restoration and Awareness.

Prue was accompanied by her daughter **Claire** who is seen here riveted to the presentation - as are many other members. Prue is currently doing the **Graham Bath Community Services Award.**



Claire Francis

Meal get together @ the Bowling Club:

Our meeting on May 21st will be a 'non-formal affair as we have a relaxing meal in member's area at the Bowling club - the bar section behind where we usually meet. It's a great opportunity to bring partners/friends along. Our normal \$5 meeting attendance fee will be waived !

Rotary Car Raffle Results.

1st Prize – Hyundai Tucson: Kathleen (Colac). Ticket # 050668
2nd Prize: \$1000 Bunnings vouchers: Thomas (Grovedale). Ticket # 030397

Members Activities - Check your allocation and inform the appropriate person if you cannot make it.

Lookout Maintenance Roster:
Contact Noel Emselle

TBA

15 on me: Contact Rod Bush

I'll chat with members about availability and add names here as I get willing participants

100 Trees Maintenance Roster:
Contact Noel Emselle

May - Andy McKoy (Leader) Kath Venters, Rod Birrell, David Larkin, Alison George

June - Noel Emselle (Leader) Martin Geerings, Paul Brewster, John Karis, Tony Haines

Where you can use your OGBA voucher:

Driftwood Cafe, OG Cellars, Ian Pattison Jewellers, Piping Hot Chicken Shop, Viewpoint Digital Media, OG Bar, Wardrobe by the Sea, Bellarine Eye care, Bay IT, Bells by the Beach, Laminar, OG Hardware, OG NewsXPress, Pavilion Property, Ocean Eyes, OG Super Toys, Covenant Wine Bar, Roche Accounting, Bakers Delight

Thank you to all who participated as ticket sellers and to those who purchased tickets.

Special thanks to David and the ticket selling team.

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It's approaching the end of the Rotary financial year and we are able to give some idea of the money we have expended over the year and where it has been spent.

**Approximate Split of Charities Expenses by Region
July 2023 – May 2024**

LOCAL

Youth Donations	\$2000	
Youth payments	\$10038	
Vocational Awards	\$750	
Community Donations	\$9209	
Community Projects	\$7881	
Duck Race Schools	\$12975	
Duck Race – Scouts & BHA	~\$1000	
TOTAL	~\$54390	58.8%

INTERNATIONAL

Various as per budget	\$23469	
Foundation	\$7500	
Polio Plus	\$2000	
TOTAL	\$33069	35.8%

AUSTRALIAN

RAWCS Fire Appeal	\$5000	
TOTAL	\$5000	5.4%

GRAND TOTAL to date **\$92458 100%**

Lexophile:

Although not in the dictionary, it is reported that "Lexophile" describes a person who loves sentences such as, "You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish," and, "To write with a broken pencil is pointless." An annual competition is held by the 'New York Times' to see who can create the best original lexophile.

This year's submissions:

- I changed my iPod's name to Titanic. It's syncing now.
- England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.
- Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.
- This girl today said she recognized me from the Vegetarians Club, but I'd swear I've never met herbivore.
- I know a guy who's addicted to drinking brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.
- I got some batteries that were given out free of charge.

- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- Police were summoned to a daycare where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine last week is now fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory, but it was never fully developed.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair, she thought she'd dye.
- Acupuncture is a jab well done. That's the point of it.
- I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- Did you hear about the crossed-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
- When chemists die, they barium.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went, and then it dawned on me.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.

