

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE
Serving the Southern Bellarine

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Meeting Roster

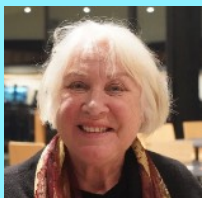
Date	Topic	Chairperson	Greeter/Thanker	Happy/Sad \$	Raffle	Birthdays/Anniversaries
Oct 1st	Rotarians Against Malaria	Beth Eustace	Alan Keyse	Neil Templeton	Nick Lascaris	1/10 Kath Venters,
Oct 8th	Connewarre Wetlands Centre Visit	Peter Cullen	N/R	N/R	N/R	11/10 Patsy Bush
Oct 15th	Kristy Berryman MALI Men's Family Violence Intervention	Peter Hawthorne.	Alex Magee	Ron Ayres.	Lynne Carlson.	15/10 Pippa Paton, 10/10 Rod Birrell

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.

Our Club

President

Secretary



Meredith O'Neill



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



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

Meeting enquiries or apologies:

Janice Nation - 0417 332 742

Web: rotaryoceangrove.org.au

Monthly **Theme:** September - **Basic Education & Literacy Month**



Upcoming dates for your calendar:

Sunday Sept 29th: Social dinner at Ming Terrace 6pm

Sunday Oct 6th. First Summer Market

Tuesday Oct 22nd: Lunch and Sail activity

Friday Nov 1st. Art Show Opening night

Saturday/Sunday Nov 2/3. 13th Annual Rotary Art Show

Chairperson: Rod Birrell

Reports: 24/9/2024

Visitor: Bill Jefferies – a prospective member.

Guest Speaker: Jenny Mitchell. Volunteer Bellarine Community Support Register

Social: **Lindy Stagg.** There will be a social dinner at the Ming Terrace on Sunday 29/9/24. **To date we have 24 attending**

John Paton has organised the Club Meeting of the 8/10/24 at the Wetlands Centre (Club House) on Lake Road, Barwon Heads. BBQ will be supplied.

Market: 6/10/24 **Adrian Schmidt** and **Lisa Hanley.** Rosters for the market tasks have been circulated, there are still a few vacant spaces. So far there are 82 bookings and approximately \$19,000 in the coffers.

Footy Tipping: **Greg Leece.** **Alan Keyse** correctly chose this week.

Publicity: **Kath Venters.** There is a problem with our Facebook page. Investigation is continuing.

International: **David Larkin.** Further details coming soon re the dismantling of another playground.

Art Show: Raffle Books are available from **Tony Haines** or **Alison George.**

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

Those who think they know everything are a great annoyance to those of us who do.

One Liners

- I don't have a girlfriend, I just know a girl who would get really mad if she heard me say that.
- A bipartisan bill legalizing medical marijuana for use in alleviating symptoms of arthritis would be joint support for joint support for joint support.
- I knew this guy who compulsively stole seaweed. Turned out he was a kelpotomaniac.
- I knew this guy who opened an origami business... but then it folded.

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)

Guest Speaker: Jenny Marshall.

Bellarine Community Support Register.



Jenny Marshall

This is a community care initiative for the benefit of residents and those in need of support on the Bellarine Peninsular. It is a confidential register of contact and medical information, accessible to the police in case of emergency.

There are 38 volunteers and 1500 people registered. The service is located and run from the Police Station in Ocean Grove.

Care calls can also be made to registrants on designated weekday mornings as a means of reassuring communication to those who are isolated or feel insecure. Welfare checks are initiated when a call is not answered. There has been an increase in demand since Covid.

Registration includes :

- Doctor's name and address.
- Key medical and disability status.
- Emergency contacts.
- Location of spare key and access number if Key safe is installed.
- Pets and their care requirements.

Several members of the club are volunteers, but more are needed.

President's Report:

Rotary Foundation Recognition

The District Governor, Lesley Shedden, presented our club with two certificates at the recent Rotary Community Group Meeting. These certificates were presented to Paul Brewster, Chairperson, Club Rotary Foundation.



Foundation Chair Paul Brewster is seen receiving the award from President Meredith

Please remember:

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

Member Activities - Please check your allocation and inform the appropriate person if you cannot make it.

Lookout Maintenance Roster:

Contact Noel Emselle

15 September 2024	Heather Willson
29 September 2024	Maz Walton
13 October 2024	Judy/Rod Greer
27 October 2024	Alex Magee

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

September- Adrian Schmidt - leader. Rod Birrell, Peter Cullen, Marg Campbell, Lynne Carlson.

October.- Rod Greer - leader. Judy Greer, Alison George, Greg Leece, Marg Campbell.

November- Pearl Macmillan - leader. Heather Willson, Gary Willson, Delia Naumann, Geoff Chandler.

December.- Noel Emselle - leader. Andrea Tierney, Ann Hodgkinson, Alec McGee, Neil Templeton.

February. - Andy McKoy - leader Peter Cullen , John Paton, Janet Alexander.

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



Club Annual Donor Award – Level 1 2024

This award recognises that our Club has, during the Rotary year, supported the Rotary Foundation with contributions funded from our own programs and activities to the value of US \$100 per member.

There are five levels of the award rising from level 1 to level 5. Personal giving is extra and recognised through the Paul Harris recognition levels.



President's Report (Continued):

Club Major Donor Program – Bronze Club

This award recognises that the club, over our years of operation, has made total contributions to the Rotary Foundation exceeding \$US 100 000. There are five levels of the award rising from Bronze to Diamond.



Rotary Community Group Meeting 22 September 2024

This meeting of Rotary Clubs from Geelong, Bellarine and the Surf Coast was attended by Meredith and Lyndy as club representatives and Gill in her role as Assistant District Governor. It was the start of a process to develop a Rotary Community Group Growth Plan. The Group is now named the Barwon Rotary Community Group.

DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

The first workshop activity asked us to provide some demographic or population data of our club and Meredith and Lyndy had to do an educated guess. Our data was researched after the meeting and is included at the end of this report.

After club data was shared, Tonie Thiel, the Group Trainer, provided the key message that as our demographics change some of the expectations that we place on our membership need to change. This includes physical tasks or activities.

AUDIT OF ROTARY PROGRAMS, PROJECTS AND ACTIVITIES.

Clubs identified what they were involved with, this information was shared with the group and then collated. Meredith and Lyndy reflected on the involvement of our club and concluded that we are an active and very involved club with a comprehensive planning process. We are interested in what other clubs are doing and open to new ideas – but we don't need to take on everything. We need to focus and consider the impact of what we are doing and by impact we mean that we are able to do good and get a result for our efforts.

PROPOSALS FOR JOINT COMMUNITY GROUP PROGRAMS OR PROJECTS OR MULTI CLUB PROJECTS.

There are proposals that have been prepared by other clubs but there was not the opportunity for these to be presented and discussed at the meeting which some of us thought was a planning meeting. The GERN proposal was one of these joint proposals.

The RCG agreed to set up a club whats app group for a sharing of event information and for clubs to request help for a BBQ or staffing of events. This may open the floodgates and after one day we realise that there is a need to filter what requests come through to our members as we can't do everything.

A suggested order of priority for providing a BBQ is:

- Our BBQ at markets
- Bunnings where it fits with our schedule
- Requests from other local organisations that we work with or are supporting a community need
- Significant Rotary events

We do not have an obligation to support requests from an organization we have never heard of or community BBQs the other side of Geelong. All BBQ requests that require our trailer are dependent on having someone to drive the trailer.

ROTARY DISTRICT 9780 CONFERENCE

Lesley Shedden, District Governor, confirmed that the District 9780 Conference and dinner will be held at the 13th Beach Golf Club near Barwon Heads from Friday 21 to Sat 23 March. The morning conference session on Sun 24 March will be held at The Sands at Torquay. We have been approached to see if we are interested in running the Rotary Merchandise stall and we would receive 10% of the sales. I was informed about a suggestion for Rotarians to provide home accommodation for some conference attendees. The email requesting home hosting was sent out to our membership on Tuesday. There is talk of a shuttle bus to transport people to and from the conference.

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE DEMOGRAPHIC DATA = From My Rotary website.

Membership Number and Trend

There are currently 59 active members of the Rotary Club of Ocean Grove. Membership numbers have been stable in recent years.

Length of Membership

7 members or 12% of our membership have been members for 30 years or more.

12 members or 20% of our membership have been members for 20 years or more.

26 members or 44% of our membership have been members for 5 years or less.

12 membership or 20% of our membership have been members for 2 years or less.

We have a mix of old and new members

There has been significant membership renewal in our club.

Age Distribution of Membership

We have no members under 50

We have 2 members in the 50-59 age group

We have 10 members in the 60-69 age group.

We have 39 members in the 70+ age group.

8 members did not report their age group.

Rotarians hard at work at the weekend Community Group Meeting



Gender Balance

42% female, 58% male.

Language All members are from a background where English is the primary language.

House for rent. 5 minutes from the beach. 8 seconds if you fall.

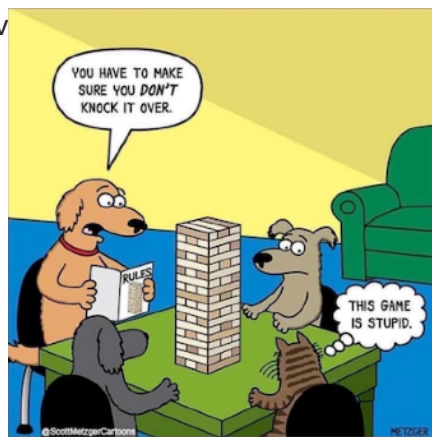


Operator: 911, what's your emergency?
 Man: A guy just got hit by a car, I need an ambulance.
 Operator: What's your location?
 Man: I'm on Eucalyptus street.
 Operator: Can you spell that for me?
 Man: (long awkward pause)
 Operator: Sir? Are you there?
 Man: I'm gonna drag him over to Pine street and call right back.

I phoned my wife earlier and asked her if she wanted me to pick up fish and chips on my way home from work but she just grunted at me. I think she still regrets letting me name the twins.

How to write "I changed a lightbulb" on your resume: "Single-handedly managed the successful upgrade and deployment of a new environmental illumination system with zero cost overruns and no safety incidents."

Yesterday I bought a map of the world. I then gave my wife a dart, and told her to throw it, and wherever it lands, I will take you there on holiday. This year, we're spending three weeks behind the Fridge.



Food Handler's Certificate: A general certificate of food hygiene (market, Bunnings etc). You need to have it to work in a food business.



A good mate of mine has 2 fully paid tickets for the AFL Grand Final in a private box with food and refreshments included. Unfortunately, he didn't realize when he bought them that it is on the same day as his wedding, so he can't go. If you're interested and want to go instead of him, it is at 2pm at St Paul's cathedral, Melbourne and her name is Sharon.