

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 |
|-----------|--|------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------|--|
| July 9th | Club Assembly | Meredith O'Neill | N/A | N/A | N/A | 7/7 Tony Haines, 8/7 Peter Cullen, 9/7 Ros McKoy |
| July 16th | Barwon Institute of Sport | Paul Brewster | | | | 15/7 Nick Wright; 16/7 Marita & Peter Scott |
| July 23rd | Lisa Taylor Salvation Army; combined Bell N club meeting | Janice Nation | Andrea Tierney | | | None |

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

Our Major Sponsors:



Meeting enquiries or apologies:
Janice Nation - 0417 332 742
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

Important dates:

July 2 Changeover dinner.

Chairperson: Lyndy Stagg

Our changeover dinner had 75 people in attendance as we farewelled Lynne Carlson and welcomed Meredith O'Neill as our President.



Our guests included:

Lesley Shedden - DG
Kelly Thomson - Manager Barwon Heads Community Bank
Gil Morgan - ADG (Community Liaison)
Larrie Winzar - Starthrower Project; Bendigo R.C.
Jan Brentnall

We also had 4 visitors from Bellarine N Rotary Club and 8 of our Club Life Members and partners.

President Lynne Carlson acknowledged a new Life Member for 2024. **Martin Geerings (PP PHF)** has completed 30 years of Rotary service and was thanked for his contributions and service over so many years.

Monthly **Theme: July - Maternal and Child Health Month**



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

True friendship is like sound health. The value of it is seldom known until it be lost

One liners

- I used to be afraid of hurdles. But I got over it.
- You know you're working class when your TV is bigger than your bookcase.
- My star sign is Pyrex. I was a test-tube baby

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**

DG Lesley Shedden conducted for formal handover of Presidential Regalia, thanking Lynne for her service and wishing Meredith all the best for her year.

A number of awards were presented over the evening:

- Lynne Carlson presented the Club *John Fox Award* for 2024 jointly to **Rod Birrell** and **David Larkin** for their work in a range of club activities.
- Gil Morgan presented the District *Avenues of Service Awards* to **Heather Willson** and **Lisa Hanley** for their work in *Community service* and to **John Karis** for his work in *Vocational Service*.
- She then announced an award from the past District Governor, **Ian McKay**, for *Outstanding Service in a range of Rotary projects* to **Kath Venters** and **Rod Bush**.
- Lesley Shedden then presented Paul Harris recognition awards. The first PHF group were club recommended and were awarded to **Andrea Tierney, Meredith O'Neill, Noel Emselle, Peter Cowburn, Lynne Carlson and Rod Bush**. The second group were awarded based on direct contributions to the Foundation and were awarded to **Alex Magee, Lisa Hanley, Chris Watson and Gil Morgan**. We also acknowledged our *Paul Harris Society* members for their ongoing commitment to the Rotary Foundation: **Paul Brewster, Alison George, Gordon King, Alex Magee, Gil Morgan, Chris Watson and Gary Wilson**.

Congratulations to all our award recipients ! (See pics later)

- **Aspiring BBQ cooks !** Changes to regulations now require anyone selling Bacon/Egg sandwiches to have complete a basic 'Cooking Safety' online course. Anyone who would like to work on our BBQ at the market etc will need to complete this course. The link for the course is: dofoodsafely.health.vic.gov.au
- When you satisfactorily complete the course, you'll be emailed a certificate, please send a copy of this to Rod who will record this.
- If you're having difficulty accessing or completing the test, please contact Rod.

PNG Water Project: Recently our Club made a donation to a water project of Mount Martha Rotary in Ingin village in PNG.



The new water tank is already in use and is much appreciated

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

Penny Broome - Sep 3

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

100 Trees Maintenance Roster:
Contact Noel Emselle

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

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

The tank feeds a tap which gives the village access to readily available clean drinking water for the first time



Bali Smiles is a sponsorship program that we support (based in Munti Gunung - Bali), to assist impoverished Balinese families send their children to school. Here we see one of our **Bali Smiles** student at his graduation with his father. He has a position at the Hyatt Regency in Sanur.



Pictures from the Changeover Dinner



DG Lesley Shedden with Lynne and Meredith



Lynne presenting Martin Geerings with his Life Membership and Anne Geerings



Foundation President, Wal Kelly doing the Toast to Rotary International.



ADG Gil Morgan presenting Avenues of Service Awards to John Karis, Lisa Hanley and Heather Willson



Some of the Paul Harris Fellow Awards



Rod Bush



Lynne Carlson



Noel Emselle



Meredith O'Neill
The Magic of Rotary



Lisa Hanley



Peter Cowburn



District Governor's Outstanding Service Recognition - Rod Bush and Kath Venters (Absent)



John Fox Award - David Larkin and Rod Birrell with Lynne Carlson



2024/25 President - Meredith O'Neill



DG Lesley Shedden



Outgoing President, Lynne Carlson with husband David.



Our Board for 2024/25



I was walking in the jungle and saw a lizard on his hind legs telling jokes.

I turned to the local tradesman and said "That lizard is really funny"

The tribesman replied "That's not a lizard - it's a standup chameleon"

I need everyone to wish me luck. I have a meeting at the bank later and if all goes well, I will be out of debt. I'm so excited I can barely put on my ski mask.

