

# ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

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## Meeting Roster



	Guest speaker	Chair	Greeter/ Assist. Sgt.	Thanker/ Asst. Cshr.	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
14-Jul	Disabled Surfers Assoc	Tony Haines	Geoff Chandler	John Calnin	Alex Magee.	Nil
21-Jul	Feed Me Bellarine	Gerry Spencer.	Peter Cullen.	Marion Walton.	Martin Geerings.	23 /7 Nan Calnin, 23/7 Elaine Elliott
28-Jul	Vocational Awards	Lynne Carlson	TBA	TBA		1/8 Marian & Gordon King, 3/8 Janice Wynn

### Our Club

**President:** Gil Morgan

**Secretary:** Pearl Macmillan

**Where:** We (usually) meet each Tuesday at the **Ocean Grove Bowling Club:**

**18 The Terrace, Ocean Grove, 3226**

**When:** 6pm for 6:30pm

Visitors are Welcome

**Apologies:** 0457 315 900

**Web:** [rotaryoceangrove.org.au](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)

**During the COVID 19 crisis, we meet via ZOOM on Tuesdays at 7.**

**Theme:**

**Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:**

**Past bulletins**

- Available from this website via the 'Our Club' menu.

**Market contact:** 0401 606 036

**Art Show contact:** 0417 319 465

### Report of Meeting: 7/7/2020

Members in attendance 32. This is the 15th meeting-using Zoom.

It is hoped we will meet at the Bowling Club as usual on 14<sup>th</sup> July with places for 40 members providing new restrictions are not in place.

**Guest. :** Phil Edwards; Speaker.

**President:** John Paton has been involved with organizing a bicycle for a lad with autism. This activity has helped him enormously and congratulations and thanks go to John.

- Centenary of Rotary. Please contact Gil if interested in joining via Zoom the presentation of the Baton for the relay at Government House in Canberra.

- It should be noted that Gerry Spencer has been awarded a third Ruby Pin and Gil Morgan a fourth Sapphire Pin. They are both Paul Harris Society members

- Congratulations to all members who donate so generously to the Rotary Foundation.

**Treasurer:** There are still some subs outstanding, so make the treasurer's life better and please pay them.

**Community:** Gordon announced there would be a meeting soon to discuss activities for the coming year. There will be liaison with the Ocean Grove Community Service Committee and hope to improve the town entry signage, ensure the water feature is installed as well as working on other projects that will enhance our town.

**Vocational:** Lynne Carlson announced the presentation of the Vocational awards will be held on 28<sup>th</sup> July, and, if necessary, awardees will be given their award at their place of work.

## Members: Coming Events:

### Saying of the week ....

The POSITIVE THINKER sees the INVISIBLE, feels the INTANGIBLE, and achieves the IMPOSSIBLE.

### Humour ....

A little boy was standing crying in a busy shopping centre. A security guard walked up to him and said, "What's wrong?" Wiping back tears, the little boy said, "I've lost my m-m-mum!" The guard replied, "Don't worry, young fella, we'll find her. What's she like?" The little boy, still distraught, replied, "Chocolates, vodka, wine."

### Links .....

#### **Rotary International:**

[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

#### **Rotary District 9780:**

[www.rotary9780.org](http://www.rotary9780.org)

#### **Footy Tipping**

[www.footytips.com.au](http://www.footytips.com.au)

### Please remember:

- APOLOGIES ARE NECESSARY! IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING. THOSE WHO DO NOT CONFORM WILL BE SENT A BILL, AS THE CLUB HAS TO PAY IF NO APOLOGY IS REGISTERED.

**Footy Tipping:** Judy Greer was the smartest this week.

**Guest Speaker:** Phil Edwards: Phil joined Army Training School at the age of 16 as an apprentice. He served in West Germany and with the American Army in Virginia, USA. Returning to Australia he served in East Timor, Afghanistan, Bali after the bombings and Iraq. His role was to plan and supply logistical support for the Defence Force.

Phil won the Bravery Medal in 1977 following an Airforce crash as well as the medal of Merit and the Conspicuous Service Cross. He returned to Australia in 1973. He served in the Defence force for 35 years after which he and Robyn settled in Ocean Grove and hopefully this will be their last move. They have three adult Children.

Phil is currently the chairperson of the OG Community Association, which has a paid membership of approximately 200, paid up members and 1000 followers on Facebook. Members are a mix of age's gender and have a diverse range of experience and talent. There are 11 members on the board that meets monthly.

The Association runs very cheaply by intention. \$1-2,000.00 kept in the bank to cover costs of general items. Any other income, apart from member subs comes from donations.

Past activities have included, the Shell Road Reserve, involvement in the Bellarine Aquatic Centre designs, supporting planning applications if considered appropriate. Involvement in the OG structure plan, input to Vic Roads, developing and maintaining a good relationship with the City of Greater Geelong and lobbying all levels of Government where necessary. Conduct of Community forums and a children's drawing competition (especially good during this unusual time). Community safety is also considered and more involvement is continuing with the development of renewable energy, (both solar and battery). Awareness of dementia in the community is also included.

Current projects include planning for a pedestrian network, an upgrade to Tuckfield Street, Traffic Lights at Presidents Ave and Orton Street. Amendments to the town Boundaries are causing considerable concern, as there is at least 15 years of space for growth within current boundaries. A petition, generating many signatures has been circulated. The Association is having discussion with the COGG about the future settlement strategy.

Future projects will include on going liaison and discussion with the City Council in the management of the Grubb Road walking track and signage at entries to the town.

Phil also reminded everyone that the Council Elections are scheduled on 24/10/2020.

Phil enjoys hiking, caravanning and a good single malt whisky, that he probably needs after each meeting where there seems to be so much being undertaken on behalf of our community.

A video was shown on the installation and usage of the playgrounds the Club has supplied to the children in Sri Lanka. There are 4 more to be shipped there in due course.

**Thank you: A George.**