

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

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Meeting Roster



	Guest speaker	Chair	Greeter/ Assist. Sgt.	Thanker/ Asst. Cshr.	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
10-Mar	Victorian Opera Singer - Michael Lapina	John Paton.	Gary O'Donnell.	Andrea Tierney	Gerry Spencer.	16/3 Alison George.
17-Mar	Community Service Awards	Lynne Carlson.	Bill Walton.	Chris Foster.	Judy Greer.	19/3 Gerry Spencer
24-Mar	Club Assembly.	Marion Walton.	Martin Geerings.	N/A		25/3 Jenny & Neil Templeton, 30/3 Coral Barker.

Our Club

President: Marion Walton

Secretary: Pearl Macmillan

Where: We 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

Theme: Water & Sanitation Month

Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:

23/02/20 - 07/03/20 Alan Keyse

08/03/20 - 21/03/20 James Ricchini

22/03/20 - 04/04/20 Adrian Schmidt

05/04/20 - 18/04/20 Chris Watson

Past bulletins

- Available from our club website

Market contact: 0401 606 036

Art Show contact: 0417 319 465

Vocational Visit, 3rd March 2020, Ambulance Victoria Station.



28 members and guests attended. They were addressed by Lucinda Garnett, Team Leader, and Olivia Mackie-Coop, Community Engagement Officer, who explained the operation of the station. Ocean Grove operates on two twelve hour shifts per day: a day shift between 7 am and

5 pm, and a night shift between 5 pm and 7 am. An additional afternoon shift will sometimes operate depending on need. Staff work two day/night shifts and then have two days off for recovery. They can sleep at the station if not required on call-out. There are 18-20 staff on the list but they are shared with other stations in the area. There are also two paramedic students completing their training at Ocean Grove. Students undertake a three year degree at University and then do a twelve month on-the-job training program supported by clinical educators. Only after this, are they qualified as a paramedic. All staff also do at least four days training each year for updated information and to review their skills especially in areas less used in the workplace, such as delivering babies.

Rural branches such as Ocean Grove have two ambulance trucks on site, one used as a spare. They also have a single response unit vehicle. Call outs may be attended by ambulances from various sites, not just the local branch. Ambulances are tracked on GPS systems so their location is known at all times. The service aims for a 45% availability rate to meet demand. Their main jobs are attending accident traumas and elderly person ailments such as falls. Staff are

Members: Coming Events:

Saying of the week

Aspire to inspire before we expire.

Humour

A guest calls the waiter and complains, "How come there are no chairs at our table?!"

The waiter shrugs, "I'm sorry but you only booked one table..."

Links

Rotary International:
www.rotary.org

Rotary District 9780:
www.rotary9780.org

Footy Tipping
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.
- Members are reminded if you have any used stamps, could you please pass them on to Martin Geerings.

frequently exposed to occupational violence and horrific scenes. These are now monitored and recorded and affected staff are provided with access to support services. They are also encouraged to have an annual visit with a specialist psychologist. This support has only been available over the past five years, prior to that there was none. They are hoping to expand the Ocean Grove facility in the future. The majority of the workforce are relatively young and come from a variety of backgrounds.

MICA paramedics undertake an additional eighteen month training program. They must have at least five or six years experience and pass an entrance exam before commencing this training. Flight paramedics require more training and experience. There are two MICA teams the Geelong area based at Belmont and Norlane. There are none in the Bellarine so have to be flown in and patients taken to Geelong or Melbourne hospitals. 000 calls go to a call centre in Ballarat, which is co-located with other emergency services to ensure a coordinated response. Ambulance paramedics respond to violence situations with police and fire brigade support to ensure joint responses in emergencies. Current practices ensure a safer and more cautious approach.

The Good SAM responders is an initiative involving any willing adult who is prepared to immediately respond to cardiac issues to ensure a quick response. Ambulance Victoria uses an app to contact volunteers when a call is made to the ambulance service. The SAM responder may come before the paramedics and apply CPR and defibrillation. This service is currently available in the Queenscliff - Point Lonsdale area. The service also works with non-emergency ambulance services such as St. John's for minor cases if an emergency ambulance is not immediately available. These have a more limited skill set but can transport patients to hospital. They also use defibrillators. If defibrillators are registered with Ambulance Victoria, it will replace any consumables used. However, they should be installed externally with 24-7 access. Sporting clubs often have defibrillators but they are stored internally and difficult to access for public use. Very few defibrillators are vandalised when installed externally.

Lucinda outlined a few ways in which Rotary could help the local Ambulance Service.

*Install defibrillators in the community in association with Ambulance Victoria. They need to be placed in well known locations and undertake an annual check on batteries and consumables.

*Provide an IPAD for use on the job and for training.

*Provide a new manikin for training.

Lynne Carlson thanked Lucinda and Olivia for hosting our visit. Members then returned to the Ocean Grove Bowling Club for their regular meeting.

Addendum: At the end of the club meeting, Meredith O'Neill recounted the story where her son, who is a policeman in St. Kilda, and his partner had seen a woman sitting on the street. Fearing she had been assaulted, they found she was giving birth, one month early. The Ambulance was called but the baby

was coming quickly. Taking advice over a speaker phone, they delivered the child, in doing so saved its life.

Meeting Notes for 3rd March, 2020

Visitors: Amy Hawker, Isobel Paton, Ron Ayers, Jenny Wright, Pam Matinson.

President's Report: Marion Walton

The Board will meet next Monday. A large load of school tables and chairs donated by Surfside Primary School and several boxes of clothing were taken to DIK (Donations in Kind) by Bill Stains and John Wynn. Martin Geerings has been appointed to the Board of SES Victoria.

At the end of the evening, Marion thanked Lynne Carlson for organising the Italian Night meal for tonight, which was really good.

Reports:

Janet Alexander, Footy Tipping - Tipping begins on March 10th. Please get money in as soon as possible. New members are welcome to join. Cost is \$50 and prizes involve bottles of good quality wine each week, as well as half way and overall winners at the end of the home and away games. Tipping also covers the finals matches.

Noel Emselle, Community Service - thanked all who helped out at the lookout working-bee. They dismantled the playground equipment and spread mulch with the help of John Wynn's equipment. There is a substantial mound of mulch left over which will need to be spread some time in the future.

John Paton, Treasurer - advised that BBQ raffle books were available and encouraged members to take them for selling. It is drawn on the 14th April, after the Easter Monday market.

Lynne Carlson, Vocational Service - thanked all who came to the Ambulance Station visit. She reminded members that the Community Service Awards will be presented in two weeks. It will involve a large meeting with many guests from the community and business sectors.

Adrian Schmidt, Market Report (from email) - Takings from Sunday's market were: Gold Coin (Foundation) \$1,530.05; Site Fees (cash on the day) \$600; Rotary Raffle \$182; Sausage Sizzle TBA.

Guest Speakers: Five On Me.



Wal Kelly, Charter President.

Wal was born in 1941 in Hamilton, he was the fourth of seven children. The family moved to Marcus Hill in 1944 when his father took up a farm there. Wal went to Marcus Hill Primary School which at that time involved a teacher's residence and one school room which went to Grade 8 with one teacher. Wal spent his time catching rabbits and hares to sell their meat and skins for pocket money. Their farm bred fat lambs so he also went fox shooting. They hunted around Ocean Grove to Grubb Road and Thacker Street, and also around Swan Bay to Maddens Lane, where Pearl Macmillan now lives. They were able to get \$80 - \$90 for a good skin in some years.

Wal later went to Geelong Tech and undertook a Fitter and Turner apprenticeship with International Harvester. He met Val Schmidt, they married and had three children. He worked on the construction of the Alcoa Refinery and then joined their maintenance staff. He later returned to International Harvester as a machinery inspector. At that time the company had over 2,500 employees just making agricultural equipment. He then went to Hume Pipes doing maintenance at their Geelong and Ballarat works. Wal and Val started a fencing contracting business in Ocean Grove. However, their son Wayne was killed in an accident, and they had to take time off to come to terms with this loss and sold the business. Wal then joined an Ocean Grove bus company and took tours of 'punters' to play the poker machines in NSW.

Wal and Val's daughter Sharon lives in Alice Springs. She provided them with two grandchildren, one of whom is married and has provided two great grandchildren. Narelle has two boys and lives in Brisbane.



Graeme Batrouney, new member

Graeme was born in 1939 Melbourne, one of four boys. He grew up in Northcote, playing football and cricket. He went to Wesley College to grade 6 and then to Melbourne Grammar School. He worked for a wholesale warehouse where he met Peter Hawthorne. He joined the family business, Elite Clothing, which was a manufacturer and wholesaler of children and women's sports wear. He was called up for national service and based at Puckapunyal. He travelled around Europe, the Middle East and Asia with his brother in 1962. Graeme is of Lebanese descent, his grandfather came to Australia in 1914. He had joined the Northcote J.C.s and met Lorraine at a social night. They married and moved to Bulleen. They have three children and seven grandchildren. After 15 years there, they moved to Doncaster where they lived for another 20 years. They moved to Mt. Eliza after the kids left home.

Graeme had taken over the family clothing business doing in-house manufacturing and distribution. However, in 1986 Myers discontinued their contact preferring to buy cheaper clothing from China. The business closed and he took a twelve month break, then went into wholesaling and distribution of imported garments for 23 years. Graeme retired in 2012 and they moved to Kyneton where they had a seven acre property and developed three and half acres of garden. He joined the Kyneton Rotary Club and served as Assistant District Governor. They sold that property in November 2019. After several visits to the Bellarine, they bought a house in December and have developed the garden in the small backyard and are now redoing the front garden. He joined the Bowling Club and transferred to Ocean Grove Rotary.

Next Week; The Guest is Opera Singer, Michael Lapina who is a member of the Wyndham Rotary Club. He will be performing some of his favourite songs. Partners and Guest welcome.

DIK workers



Tired market workers!



Lookout workers

