

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter Thanker	Happy \$ \$/Server	Food Server	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday July 25	Cassy Twomey The Lobster Pot	Wal Kelly	Noel Emselle	Gil Morgan	Martin Geerings	Pearl Macmillan	NIL
Tuesday Aug 1	Fellowship	Neil Templeton	Not required	Jenny Wright	Gordon King	Lyndy Stagg	1/8 Gordon & Marian King; 4/8 Hamish Campbell, Graeme & Sandy Chamberlain
Tuesday Aug 8	Art Show Opening	Rod Bush	Not required	TBA	Margaret Campbell	Peter Hawthorne	8/8 Carol Birrell, 12/8 Beth Eustace

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



Lynne Carlson

Secretary



Rod Bush

Where: We meet each Tuesday at the Ocean Grove Surf Life Saving Club

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

Late Apologies: Lyndy Stagg - 0429 436 858

Web: rotaryoceangrove.org.au

Theme: July - Transition Month

Past bulletins

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

Market: 0401 606 036

Art Show: 0417 319 465.

Coming Events

- August 3-4 Moolap Playground dismantle
- August 27 Lunch One Day Estate (TBC)
- October 11 Club's 40th Anniversary Dinner

District Conference 15 -17 March, 2024, Mount Gambier.

Meeting 18 July 2023: Chair Lisa Hanley

REPORTS

Peter Cowburn, Administration: The District Conference next year is in Mount Gambier 15 -17 March. Planning is underway and some speakers already confirmed. Let Peter know if you are thinking of going. He wants to block out some rooms, possibly at Mid City Motel.

- Noel Emselle, Environment:** Program for 2023-24 will involve:
- Lookout Reserve; checks of signs and equipment, infill planting and definition of tracks, lobby for viewing platform, liaise on car parking.
 - Community group support
 - 100 Trees Commemorative Town Entry Sign: master concept plan
 - Roadside Biodiversity Area: pursue opportunities to improve the Moonah woodland area along Wallington Road biodiversity area declared by Council
 - Sheepish Boardwalk projects: offer support to Parks Victoria in their efforts to fund and execute the extension of the Sheepish Boardwalk
 - Mangrove Experience/New Public Open Spaces: Strong positive support expressed for White Mangrove Experience flyer. Continue to develop options for public access to mangroves/wetlands as encouraged in the draft Master Plan.

Prepare arguments for elevation of the White Mangrove Experience to high priority. Rotarians are encouraged to read the Plan and take a close look at the lower Barwon recommendations, pp. 19-21, submissions close 14 August. We plan to formalise a request for Council to work with Parks and the Wadawurrung to conduct a new environmental and cultural heritage impact assessment of the waterway and marshland from the 100 Tree/Town Entry site to the south end of the golf course and the boat ramp area.

You can also see the master plan at: [Master Plan](#)

Kath Venters, Rotary Leadership Institute: See Kath if you would like to participate this year, opportunities are available using Zoom.

Wisdom for the Week

Sit just to enjoy your sitting; you don't need to attain any goal. Thich Nhat Hanh (Buddhist Monk, Mindfulness)

"Letter words" - with new definitions. *M*

Mad: Affected with a high degree of intellectual independence.

Manager: A person who looks after the visitors so everyone else can get some work done.

Manners: What are especially the needs of the plain - the pretty can get away with anything.

One liners

- The adjective for metal is metallic, but not so for iron which is ironic.
- Long fairy tales have a tendency to dragon.
- Never trust a dog to watch your food.
- Eat right. Stay fit. Die anyway.
- The trouble with doing something right the first time is that nobody appreciates how difficult it was.

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** - it's a very simple process. If you enter your email address, you will receive a return message advising your response has been registered.

Rod Greer, Playgrounds: Moolap Recreation Reserve Playground.

The City of Greater Geelong is replacing many of its older playgrounds, which are still quite serviceable. They are then shipped overseas to be rebuilt. We have been allocated the Moolap one and will be doing the disassembling on: Thursday August 3rd 9 -12 and Friday August 4th from 1 - 4 (with afternoon tea at 3.00pm)

Thursday's team 9am -12.00
Neil Templeton, Rod Greer, Richard Cahill, Lindy Stagg, Lisa Hanley and Gil Morgan.
Task is to mark up all the pieces according to the plan.
Spray all the bolts and follow up loosening.

Friday's Team 1pm -4pm
Kath Venter, John Paton, Coog, Lisa Hanley, Richard Cahill, Rod Greer.
Gil and Maz will supply afternoon tea.
Dismantle playground to vertical posts and stack components.
Rod Greer 0408 059 123



Pearl Macmillan, Community Service: There will be a meeting of the committee at 5 pm at the O.G.S.L.S.C. before the meeting next Thursday.

Harry Hanley, Footy Tipping: Chris Watson won this week and is now also leading the competition.

Guest Speaker: Karen Knuckey, Local Coordinator, Story Dogs

Story Dogs is an organisation which helps students with reading in primary school by allowing them to read to a specially selected dog. Sessions are about 20 minutes and run weekly throughout the school year. The aim is to make reading fun and thus to give students confidence in their abilities and to promote reading as a life long pursuit. The dog is not judgemental or critical of mistakes. It usually involves one on one contact. The books used in the program are suitable for each child's reading level and matched to their interests. The content of some books may attract the child but be a little crude (farts, bums, etc) which some people can have problems with, but it is what children want.



Dogs are owned by the volunteer but sponsored for \$500 a year. The dog team must pass accreditation by a certified dog trainer, be immaculately groomed, vaccinated and vet checked. The local district covers lower Little River to Aireys Inlet. There are around 35 people currently involved. Usually only four or less children are involved from any school at one time so the volunteer tends to be at the school for around two hours a week.

Both the dogs and the children enjoy the program and most children progress very well and in some schools school attendance has improved. Equipment is supplied. There is no government funding. Occasionally, grant money has been used to buy books. They try to match books with topics and issues of the time. Children are

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

**Lookout Maintenance Roster:
Contact Noel Emselle**

- 23 July Chris Watson
- 6 August Greg Leece
- 20 August John Paton
- 3 September Geoff Chandler
- 17 September Heather Willson

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**

August

Pearl Macmillan (leader) - Peter Cullen, Peter Cowburn, Delia Nauman, Rod Birrell, Gordon King, Andy McKoy, Adrian Schmidt, Lisa Hanley, Martin Geerings, Noel Emselle

September

Adrian Schmidt (leader) - Beth Eustace, Jenny Wright, John Karis, Peter Cullen, Adrian Schmidt, Frank Rice, Greg Leece, Tony Haines

October – Understorey Planting Day?

Rod Greer (leader) - Warren Chapman, Heather Willson, Delia Naumann, Judy Greer, Geoff Ford, Beth Eustace, Andrea Tierney, John Paton,

November

Peter Cowburn (leader) - Meredith O'Neill, Alex Magee, Anne Hodgkinson, Frank Rice, Rod Greer, Geoff Chandler, Marg Campbell,

December

Andy McKoy (leader) - Jenny Templeton, Neil Templeton, Sue Hill, Lisa and Harry Hanley, Jenny Clairs, Kath Venters,

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,

encouraged to use books from the school library. Volunteers are needed if you have a well behaved dog and a few hours to spare each week. Nationally, there are currently 3,165 children in the program involving 627 volunteers and 379 schools.

Induction: Richard Cahill

Richard has been proposed for membership and duly elected. President Lynne Carlson presented Richard with Rotary information and badges. Each member contributes to service above self. Richard is aware of the requirements for Rotary membership. He will be a source of strength to our Club. Lynne asked all members to be friendly and supportive of Richard. Richard thanked the club for making him feel welcome. He looks forward to contributing to our programs.



Award: Greg Leece



Congratulations to Greg Leece on his award for 45 years service in the CFA

Rotary 'Did you know?'

- The Rotary International **Club 29** of Oklahoma City, also known as Downtown Rotary, is the largest Rotary club in the world. the club's membership has reached 615 full-time and 22 honorary members.
- Wives of Rotarians used to be called Rotary-Anns. The male equivalent was Rotary-Andy !
- There are **more than 1.2 million** Rotarians, around the world.
 - The most remote Club is Papeete, Tahiti.
 - The southernmost Club is Base Marambio, Antartida, in Antarctica.
 - The northernmost Club is Barrow, Alaska, above the Arctic Circle.
 - The highest Club is El Aguilar, Argentina, 4,880 meters above sea level.
 - The lowest Club is El Centro, California, USA, 12.2 meters below sea level.

