

# ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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ABN: 13 501 173 192



## Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter / Thanker	Happy \$ /Server	Food Server	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday Oct 31	Primary School Award Presentations	Meredith O'Neill	Geoff Chandler	Jenny Clairs	Chris Watson	Lisa Hanley	1/11 Peter & Jenny Cowburn
Tuesday Nov 7	NO MEETING						11/11 Bill & Joan Steains
Tuesday Nov 14	Anthony Ohlsen - Foundation	Gary Wilson	Gordon King	Andrea Tierney	Andy McKoy	Alison George	19/11 Ron Ayres

### 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](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)

**Theme:** October - Economic and Community Development



#### Past bulletins

- Available from our website ([rotaryoceangrove.org.au](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)) via the 'Our Club' menu.

**Market:** 0401 606 036

**Art Show:** 0417 319 465.

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.

#### Coming Events

- October 28 Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
- Nov 3 Art Show Opening (Friday 7:30)
- November 10 Feed Me Bellarine Dinner

**Please remember to respond:** <https://form.jotform.com/230942295942866>

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

#### Art Show:

- **Rod** has Raffle tickets for members to sell - please consider taking one.
- The roster for people to help at the show was distributed. Volunteers will be needed in numbers so members please be ready to assist.
- **Rod Birrell** distributed the Board Election roster for the Art show
- There is a market on the Sunday which complicates matters.
- Flyers are available for distribution amongst friends.

**Lost Property:** Marion Walton is looking for a lost Rotary Tablecloth.

#### Stop the Violence



You can watch the presentation by Carolyn Millard by clicking the link following: [https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/uuuRON6EV8Q9dXowbfqFI7yOEezo2tgdF0wJM\\_UeHvKqaY8PinsB5ZR9zL\\_5Qsjc.8TtP42U6R20DfN3](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/uuuRON6EV8Q9dXowbfqFI7yOEezo2tgdF0wJM_UeHvKqaY8PinsB5ZR9zL_5Qsjc.8TtP42U6R20DfN3)

**Say no to Family Violence - Training:** We have the new date for the other Intro to FV training (unfortunately not a evening session, but 9:30 – 12:30).

## Wisdom for the Week ....

I intend to live forever. So far, so good.

### One liners ....

- Some cause happiness wherever they go, others whenever they go.!
- Give a man a fish, and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish, and he will sit in a boat and drink beer all day.
- A book fell on my head the other day, I only have my shelf to blame.
- What do you call a guy who's had too much to drink? A taxi.
- I threw a boomerang a couple years ago; I know live in constant fear.

### Links .....

Rotary International: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)  
 Rotary District 9780: [www.rotary9780.org](http://www.rotary9780.org)  
 Rotary Foundation:  
[www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au](http://www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au)  
 Footy Tipping [www.footytips.com.au](http://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.

There is **ONE spot left** for the training coming up next week Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, online 4 pm-7 pm (ticket sales end Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October, 11 am)

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/735217253597?aff=oddtcreator>

Tuesday 21 November, 9:30 – 12:30

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/744675062157?aff=oddtcreator>  
 (ticket sales close 17 November)

Thank-you to Chris and Kardinia Club for ordering/purchasing and distributing the SNTFV t-shirts.

Chris' details are 1 Tumbletree Court, Highton, 0400 770 348, [cwright@surfcoastproperty.net.au](mailto:cwright@surfcoastproperty.net.au)

Please contact him regarding t-shirt size and collection day/time.

As discussed, we agreed to provide each Club Champion with a t-shirt, the rest of the SNTFV t-shirts are available for Rotarians to purchase for \$30.

To purchase: please visit <https://events.humanitix.com/say-no-to-family-violence-t-shirts>. The t-shirts are available for purchase until 30 November at this stage.

### From the Rotary Club of Geelong East:

We are thrilled to invite you to mark the **UN Women 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence** (25th November - 10th December) with a screening of the film **Shayda** on the 30th of November 2023 with a special Q and A session afterwards with both the writer/director AND the subject of the film.

**Shayda** is a 2023 Australian drama film written, directed, and co-produced by Noora Niasari. Inspired by Niasari's childhood experiences, the story follows an Iranian immigrant woman in Australia who is raising her young daughter as the two live in a women's shelter, while also attempting to divorce her abusive husband.

This captivating film is the official submission in Australia for the 'Best International Feature Film' category of the 96th Academy Awards and had its world premiere at the Sundance Film Festival in January 2023 where it won the audience award and the grand jury prize. It also won the Cinefest OZ film prize in WA which is the largest cash film prize in Australia. You can watch the trailer [here](#).

A portion of the ticket sales from this event will go toward the Barwon Health Social Work Department's work in the



[Members Activities - Check your allocation and inform the appropriate person if you cannot make it.](#)

[Lookout Maintenance Roster: Contact Noel Emselle](#)

29 October      Meredith O'Neill

[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](#)

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, Ann 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, Bakers Delight

family violence space. There are limited tickets available so we recommend getting in quick!

**Event details**

*Where:* The Pivotonian Cinema, 4 Verner St South Geelong  
*When:* Thursday 30th of November 2023, 5.45pm - 9.00pm  
*Tickets:* \$22, available for purchase [here](#)

A special Q&A will follow the event featuring the subject of the film and Noora herself! Drinks and nibbles will be available for purchase on the night

**Notes of Meeting 24/10/23.**

**Regionalization.** Meredith O'Neill explained that Community groups were forming and being organized with intent. She took those members present through an Individual Member Survey to assist in forming club response to various questions about activities which were considered important in the work of Rotary at Ocean Grove. The results will be compiled and circulated.

**Reports:**

**Regional Project:** Say No To Family Violence; Andrea Tierney reported that there will be a zoom session next week on this important program. Details will be circulated.

**Art Show**

- Rod Bush reported that entries are coming in well. There are almost 200.
- The roster for people to help at the show will be compiled shortly. Volunteers will be needed in numbers so members please be ready to assist. There is a market on the Sunday which complicates matters.
- Peter Cowburn will manage the Raffle in Janet's absence.

**Youth:** Junior Community Awards. Judy Greer reminded members that selected students will present some aspects of their work at next week's meeting

**International:** Kath Venters reminded members to publicise what we do as a club locally, nationally and internationally.

**District Conference:** Attendee numbers are increasing. Please see Peter Cowburn if you are wanting to book a room.

**Family of Rotary:** Judy Greer; Rod Bush's condition was explained. Adrian Schmidt has had some stents replaced and is progressing slowly.

**Guest Speaker: Lindy Freestone.**

Lindy is President of the Ocean Grove Surf Life Saving Club. She has been involved with the Club for many years and has been involved in all aspects of club activities. In her 'free time' she works in child and adolescent mental health.



### Lyndie Freestone

The Club is active 365 days per year with members giving 6000 hours of voluntary work on patrol with more behind the scenes.

Emergencies and drowning incidents have increased over recent years especially in younger children, and during Covid when the ability to access the beach was very popular and precious. Numbers attending the beach grew to approximately 118,945 during 2022.

Lindy spoke about her aims and values for OGSLS and demonstrated that they are based on sound, fundamental principles, and beliefs.

She also explained the six pillars of club:

- Emergency Service including flood response in the state and elsewhere, beach surveillance and action, and general emergency response.
- Life Saving Program which includes the Nippers. The Nippers Program has closed at 300 as it is full.
- Training and education of all members. There are over 300 courses conducted and supported for members.
- Surf Sport. The club has been State Champions for the last 7 years.
- Leadership Development and Community Service.
- Community/ Social Care including preventative mental health and member wellbeing.

Girls and boys compete and train together and there are multiple pathways for people to investigate and pursue. Many lifelong friendships have developed.

Lindy believes that by encouraging members to do community service team spirit is developed as well as a sense of belonging. This philosophy appears to be working as membership has grown to over 2000.

Fiscal accountability and business development is also very important, especially as there is no recurrent funding for the Club. Finance is provided through grant applications, donations and fundraising. Expenses continue to increase as do repair and maintenance of equipment.

Lindy's goal for the future is to set the club up for the future in structure, resourcing and direction including environmental protection. Community education and safety are also included.

She firmly believes that the club is more than the red and yellow on the beach with a high public profile for the holiday season. She demonstrated it is a 365 day club with many facets and irons in the fire.

# Retired T Shirts

