

# ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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## Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter Thanker	Assistant Cashier	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday Apr 12th	Sally Cant	Geoff Chandler	Rod Greer	Marion Walton	Pearl Macmillan	18/4 Hazel & Geoff Ford
Tuesday Apr 19th	Richard Clay / Pie Night	Graeme Chamberlain	N/A	Janet Alexander	Ann Hodgkinson	19/4 Adrian Schmidt, 24/4 Jenny and Adrian Schmidt
Tuesday Apr 26th	District Governor. John Clue	Alan Keyse	Peter Cowburn	Judy Greer	Gil Morgan	30/4 Richard & Heather Grimmett

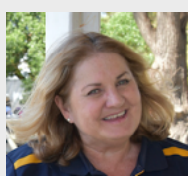
## Our Club

### President



Alan Keyse

### Secretary



Heather Willson

**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:** Rotary Awareness - Vocational Service

### Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:

9 April - Adrian Schmidt  
23 April - Neil Templeton  
7 May - Jenny Templeton

### 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:

16 April: Duck Race, Barwon Heads Bridge, Heather Willson.

18 April: Easter Monday Market / Lisa Hanley & Adrian Schmidt.

19 April: Pie Night - Wear your team's colours.

30 April: Tree Planting, Wallington Road / Pearl Macmillan.

17 May: Vocational Community Awards Presentations / Lynne Carlson.

### Report of Meeting: 05/4/2022

**Visitors:** John Oswald, Rotary Club of Torquay, Lucy Loko, Rotary Club of Geelong, Jai Britton.

### President's Report, Alan Keyse

- \* Rotary Club of Kardinia are having a dinner - dance \$65. See Alan if you are interested in attending.
- \* A visit to D.I.K. is being organised by Rod Greer. D.I.K. has been experiencing difficulties since the COVID outbreaks. The visit may help identify areas where we can help them out.
- \* The Club needs some storage facilities for club materials. If you can help, let Alan know.
- \* Alan asked club members to consider again the option of changing our name to Bellarine South to better incorporate the new towns now in our district.

### Reports:

**Duck Race, Heather Willson** - page 3 of the Geelong Advertiser featured the race with Lisa Hanley. 39% of tickets available online have been sold, however many sales come in late. Around 50% of all tickets sold so far. Heather is hoping for a sell-out like last year. She is asking for volunteers to help on the 16th.

## Wisdom for the week ....

**You never know how strong you are, until being strong is your only choice.**

**“Letter words” - with new definitions. .... P**

**Prodigy** - A child who plays the piano when he should be in bed.

**Progress** - The exchange of one nuisance for another.

**Propaganda** - A monologue which seeks not a response, but an echo..

## One liners ....

- \* I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. It's impossible to put down.
- \* My wife just found out I replaced our bed with a trampoline. She hit the roof.
- \* What is the best thing about living in Switzerland? Well, the flag is a big plus.
- \* Did Noah include termites on the ark?
- \* I started out with nothing, and I still have most of it left.

## 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.

**Youth Services, Meredith O'Neill and Tony Haines -**

We have a participant for RYLA to be held in late April. The Junior Community Awards program is underway with four schools participating. Numbers are lower than in earlier years probably due to the ongoing impact of COVID on programs requiring community activities.

**Pre-loved Art Sale, Coral Barker** - 82 paintings were submitted and 11 sold. Revenue was \$420 but still need to subtract the cost of hall hire. It is recommended we try the same project again later.

**International Committee, Graeme Batrouney** - \$3,000 was donated to D.I.K. There will be a Shelter Box display at the Easter Monday market.

**Market Report, Adrian Schmidt** - Sunday's market was affected by the poor weather. \$1,732 gold coin collection, \$1,030 net BBQ, \$237 Raffle. Overall, the market made \$6,000 including site fees.

**Tree Planting, Pearl Macmillan** -100 trees will be planted on April 30 beginning at 9.30 am. A sign-up sheet was distributed. More information next week.

**Footy-tipping, Janet Alexander** - Adrian Schmidt won round 3. Adrian is leading the competition at this stage, followed by Alex Magee and Coog.

**Playground Removal, Rod Greer** - A playground in Point Lonsdale is being replaced. There is a meeting with the Shire of Queenscliffe on Friday. Volunteers will be needed soon.

**Attendance, Lyndy Stagg** - PLEASE fill out the attendance notification by Monday of each week.

**Peter Hawthorne** bought to members notice **Transmutation Pty Ltd**, a craft plastic recycling facility he visited while in Robe, S.A. They make products from recycled bread tags and discarded fishing nets, old truck tarpaulins and inner tubes of tyres. Money is donated to wheelchair manufacturing for South Africa. Check it out on [www.transmutation.com.au](http://www.transmutation.com.au)

**Guest Speakers: John Oswald and Lucy Loko, Redevelopment of School at Lese Oalai, Papua New Guinea.**

John Oswald is a member of the Rotary Club of Torquay. He has a medical background and is Director of the District Interplast Committee. Lucy Loko is a member of the Rotary Club of Geelong and is involved with D.I.K. She was born in Papua New Guinea. Lucy believes education is the key to reducing poverty in PNG. Her father and brother were senior chiefs in the Lese Oalai area. Her father worked with Australian troops during World War 11.

## Community Service Awards

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John Oswald provided background to the school redevelopment project. Lese Oalai is in the Gulf Province of PNG, parts of which are very close to the Torres Strait Islands. Lese Oalai is a small town



in the shadow of the Owen Stanley Range and thus in a very wet area. He met Lucy on the Interplast Committee when she was looking for school materials through D.I.K. Torquay R.C. obtained materials from local schools and sent trailer loads of product over. However, they realised other activity was needed. The literacy rate in Gulf Province was only four per cent. They have had weekly meetings with local people since 2020. They realised they needed toilets for 1,000 students. 560 students in the junior grades did not have classrooms and 14 rooms were needed. The village also lacks clean water. The Rotary Club of Manley, NSW has taken on the toilet project. The Rotary Club of Brisbane - Taylor Bridge has taken on the water project. Torquay still needs to fund 14 classrooms. The local people will build them if we can supply the materials. Members have developed a business case and are looking for corporate donations of \$700,000. They are seeking to obtain funds from Rotary Clubs through donations to RAWCS.

Lucy Loko said her family had been involved in the Kokoda Track campaign helping medical staff. PNG has 1,000 tribes which have a tradition of conflict. Eighty per cent of the population live in rural areas without basic health and education services. Areas are less developed the further they are from Port Moresby. She comes from a family of 12 children. Her father always did voluntary work in their community and all the family has carried on this legacy. Her brother, Peter Nathan Loko, was a Rotarian. When he passed away, she set up a Foundation in his name. One project is to redevelop the school at Lese Oalai to give the children an education and a future. They also want to replace the pit toilets at the school. 3,000 people in the village do not have access to clean water and suffer from typhoid and cholera. There are water shortages in November and the school has to shut down. There are springs nearby but need infrastructure to bring it to the village. There are 20 other villages in the area with the same needs. Very little Government funding comes to the area.







Pre-loved Art Sale



How many Rotarians does it take to plant a Wollemi Pine. Grown by Marg Campbell, land of Pearl Macmillan, hole by Peter Cullen, Transport and planting Neil Templeton, assisted by Jenny, Adviser Ann Hodgkinson. But will it live?

