

Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Inc



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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.

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Office Bearers and Directors

President of Rotary International	Shekhar Mehta
District 9780 Governor	John Clue
Assistant Governor	Phil Beasley

Board of Directors

President	Alan Keyse
Immediate Past President & Vice President	Gil Morgan
President Elect	Peter Cowburn
Secretary / Club Administration	Heather Willson
Treasurer	John Paton
Youth Services	Meredith O'Neill
Community Services	Gordon King
International Services	Graeme Batrouney
Vocational Services	Lynne Carlson

Special Purpose Committee Chairs and Other roles

Community Service	Gordon King
International Service	Graeme Batrouney
Vocational Service	Lynne Carlson
Bulletin Notes	Alison George/Ann Hodgkinson, Pearl Macmillan
Bulletin Editor/Publisher	Anne Hodgkinson, Rod Bush
Market	Adrian Schmidt/ Graeme Chamberlain / Coral Barker / Alison George
Attendance	Geoff Ford/Lyndy Stagg
Family of Rotary	Judy Greer
Property	Rod Birrell
Risk Management	John Wynn – (on request)
Meeting Program	Janet Alexander
Art Show	John Calnin
Social	Marion Walton
Club Historian	Geoff Brentnall
Public Access Defibrillator Project	Wal Kelly
Merchandise	Pearl Macmillan
Grant Sourcing	Rod Greer

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Past Presidents and Secretaries

<i>Past Presidents</i>	<i>Past Secretaries</i>
1983-84 Wal Kelly	Alan Kilpatrick
1984-85 Frank Mountford	Alan Kilpatrick
1985-86 Henry Hudson	Denis Joseph
1986-87 John Calnin	Denis Joseph
1987-88 Jim MacDonald	Maurice Barwick
1988-89 Hans Franken	Maurice Barwick
1989-90 Trevor McArdle	Jim MacDonald
1990-91 Maurice Barwick	Geoff Brentnall
1991-92 Peter Robinson	Bob Osbourne
1992-93 Geoff Morphet	Bob Osbourne
1993-94 Eric Bare	Ken Thibou
	Bob Osbourne
1994-95 Geoff Chandler	John Dodgshun
1995-96 Gerry Spencer	John Dodgshun
1996-97 Barry Reid	John Dodgshun
1997-98 Coral Barker	Mark Donehue
1998-99 Martin Geerings	Mark Donehue
1999-00 Peter Cullen	Mark Donehue
2000-01 Hans Franken	Geoff Morphet
2001-02 John Powell	Tony Haines
2002-03 Colin Brown	Tony Haines
2003-04 Geoff Brentnall	Tony Haines
2004-05 Tim Kemp	Dennis Saliba
2005-06 Helen Trigg	David Cornwell
2006-07 Richard Grimmett	Rod Greer
2007-08 Alison George	Rod Greer
2008-09 John Calnin	Victor Harnath
2009-10 Rod Greer	Victor Harnath
2010-11 Noel Emselle	Victor Harnath
2011-12 Margaret Campbell	Victor Harnath
2012-13 Richard Clay	Victor Harnath
2013-14 Gordon King	Victor Harnath
	Rod Greer
2014-15 John Paton	Martin Geerings
2015-16 Adrian Schmidt	Tony Haines
2016-17 Judy Greer	Fred Andrews
2017-18 John Calnin	Pearl Macmillan
2018-19 Graeme Chamberlain	Pearl Macmillan
2019-20 Marion Walton	Pearl Macmillan
2020-21 Gillian Morgan	Pearl Macmillan
2021-22 Alan Keyse	Heather Willson

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Service Recognition

Four Avenues of Service Citation: PDG Henry Hudson OAM, John Fox

Tony Haines, Geoff Chandler (Youth & Community Services)

Rotary Foundation Meritorious Service Citation:

PDG Henry Hudson OAM

John Fox Award Winners: Rod Bush, Alex Magee, Rod & Judy Greer

Paul Harris Fellows in our Club:

◆ = Sapphire Pin PHS = Paul Harris Society ◆ Ruby Pin (= 6th, 7th & 8th ◆)

◆ = Diamond [Major Donor (≥ 9 x ◆)]

Fred Andrews	Jan Fox	Bob Osbourne
Moya Armstrong	John Fox ◆	John Paton ◆
Eric Bare	Hans Franken	Bill Penna
Coral Barker ◆	Martin Geerings	Peter Robinson
Graham Bath ◆	Alison George ◆	James Ricchini
Wilma Bath	Robert Grant	Frank Rice ◆
Graeme Batrouney	Judy Greer	Roy Rose
Rodney Birrell	Rod Greer	Adrian Schmidt
Carol Birrell	Richard Grimmett	Audrey Spencer ◆
Geoff Brentnall ◆	Tony Haines ◆	Gerry Spencer ◆ PHS
Colin Brown	Pam Haines	Bill Steains
Rod Bush 2 ◆	Victor Harnath	Ty Symons
John Calnin 2 ◆	Peter Hawthorne ◆	Neil Templeton
Nan Calnin	Sue Hill	Jenny Templeton
Margaret Campbell	Anne Hodgkinson	Andrew Thornton ◆
Lynne Carlson	Isabella Hudson	Ron Todd
Graeme Chamberlain ◆	Henry Hudson ◆	Richard Trigg
Geoff Chandler	Wal Kelly ◆	Helen Trigg ◆
Richard Clay	Tim Kemp	David Tyrrell
David Cooke	Gordon King ◆ PHS	Kath Venters 2 ◆
Marian Coppins-King ◆	Pearl Macmillan ◆	Bill Walton ◆
Peter Cullen	Graeme May	Marion Walton ◆
Charles Dawborne	Alex Magee ◆ PHS	Chris Watson ◆ PHS
John Dodgshun	Trevor McArdle	Heather Willson
Norm Elliott ◆	Gill Morgan ◆ PHS	Dennis Wooten
Elaine Elliott	Geoff Morphett	John Wynn
Noel Emselle	Frank Mountford	
Geoff Ford	Graham O'Donnell	

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President's Report

Looking back over the past year it was again influenced by COVID. As in previous years we managed our way through the first half of the year using zoom, (I hope I never have to go to another online meeting again) as well as pushing function dates such as the Art Show around to compensate for COVID restrictions. Our members again showed how adaptable they are when needed. The last six months thankfully, has been business as usual with all of the normal Rotary commitments fulfilled, culminating in a healthy balance sheet.

I was amazed at the number of Rotarians and their partners willing to give up their time to help the Club. The summer market gate collection is a great example of this.

When I took on the presidency I had a personal objective of pointing the club in a direction that would encompass inclusiveness and diversity. We have taken small steps in this regard however I cannot say that this objective has been achieved. We have had a number of weekly speakers from diverse backgrounds and their talks have been both valuable and entertaining, sadly we have not been able to attract new members from these diverse backgrounds or cultures as yet.

In regard to the Club's strategic objectives, of which we had eight, I am happy to report we achieved at least six of these and well on the way of achieving the seventh. These objectives can be viewed on the Club's website.

We did manage to attract five new members to the Club and these new members are already making a strong contribution. Sadly we have lost nine members for a myriad of reasons, although I am happy to report that foundation member John Calnin, as well as Gerry Spencer have accepted Lifetime Honorary Memberships to our Club. They and their respective partners, have worked tirelessly for the Club throughout their Rotary tenure.

Whilst it is hard to single anybody out for special praise due to the work of all Club members it would be remiss of me not to mention just a few.

Firstly the work Meredith O'Neill has done in a number of very important areas. Meredith worked with the Board to construct a strategic plan that dovetails into the District and Club Central goals. This plan is second to none in the Rotary world and one any Club would be proud of.

Also earlier on in the year we found the need to refer to a Club Code of Conduct, dispute resolution and grievance policy only to find there were no such documents available. Meredith set about writing the policies for all three and did a marvellous job.

Special mention also goes to Heather Willson who last year took on management of the Barwon Heads Duck Race and continued on this year. This "quirky" event raised in excess of \$10,000 dollars of which Rotary received 40 percent. The event was bigger and better this year and I am sure will continue to grow.

With Rotary's new emphasis on the environment it was really pleasing that Pearl and her newly formed environment committee were able to celebrate Rotary's 100 years in Australia by planting 100 trees along Wallington Rd.

As I said earlier there were many stories like those of Meredith's, Heather's and Pearl's, unfortunately I can't mention them all. What I can do is say a sincere thank you to each and every one of you for the effort you have put in throughout last year, indeed you all should be very proud.

Finally thank you to the Board. It hasn't been all smooth sailing over the last 12 months, however we got there.

I would like to wish incoming President Peter and his Board all the very best in this coming year.

Alan Keyse

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Foundation Report – 2021-22

In 2021-22 Ocean Grove Rotary continued to be a strong supporter of The Rotary Foundation, both as a Club and as individuals.

District Grants

In 2021 Ocean Grove Rotary was again successful in obtaining a District Grant for the amount of \$2,000, to be matched by an equivalent amount from the Club. The purpose of this Grant was commemorate the Centenary of Rotary in Australia, and funded the planting of 100 trees on Wallington Road. The adjusted amount of the District Grant was \$1,437. (Refer to the Community Services Report for more details of this project)

This is the third successive year that Ocean Grove Rotary has been successful in obtaining a District Grant. Previous District Grants were in 2019, partially repurposed to fund a local community food project, “Feed Me Bellarine” (\$1,000), and in 2021 the reinstatement of a community sculpture at a site at the Bellarine Aquatic and Sports Centre (\$3,000).

Donations to The Rotary Foundation

Despite the impact of the Covid-19 restrictions that had a major impact on the Club’s activities, the Club and its members have continued to contribute to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).

In 2021-22 the Club has so far donated \$7,000 to Polio Plus, and \$20,000 to the Foundation’s Annual Fund. A further \$5,000 will also be donated to the Annual Fund this Financial Year, giving a combined total to The Rotary Foundation of \$32,000.

Individual Rotarians have continued their generosity to The Rotary Foundation through the Centurion programme, Paul Harris Fellows (PHF) recognition, and The Paul Harris Society. In recognition of these ongoing donations the Club currently has more than forty PHF’s, numerous multiple sapphire and ruby pin recognitions, three “Major Donors”, and five Paul Harris Society members.

The Rotary Foundation appreciates the on-going support of Club members.

Gordon King PP



Membership Report

The Ocean Grove Rotary Club welcomed 5 new members during 2021 – 2022. Greg Leece, Bea Travers and Beth Eustace. Frank Rice and Sue Hill, transferred from other Rotary Clubs.

There were 7 resignations through the year including 2 long serving Rotarians John Calnin (39 years); John Wynn (39 years) and Gerry Spencer 32 years. The members extend their sincere thanks to these Rotarians for their active service and contribution to the Ocean Grove community.

Two Rotarians also passed away during the year – Norm Elliott and Andrew Thornton.

Our current membership is 58.

The Ocean Grove Rotary Board have finalised a Code of Conduct that includes a Complaints Resolution. This document will be distributed to all current members and form part of the New Membership pack.

Graeme Batrouney - Membership Coordinator.

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Public Image

I would like to thank President Alan and the Board for their confidence in me to take on this role after a very short time with Ocean Grove Rotary. Previous Director Xena Williamson has been very encouraging and supportive sharing her wealth of knowledge in this area.

This year I have adopted the recently promoted District idea to refer to Ocean Grove Rotary when posting on social media and providing print media articles. The theory is to make Rotary more approachable rather than promoting the idea of a Club.

One of my aims this year was to increase our social media presence on Facebook and Instagram and sharing to community Facebook groups, Ocean Grove / Barwon Heads and Queenscliff / Point Lonsdale. This has been quite successful, as an example the post relating to ANZAC Day activities reached more than 4,000 people.

It has been a very busy year with print articles in the Ocean Grove Voice, Bellarine Times, Geelong Times and Geelong Advertiser (thank you Heather for arranging this for the Duck Race).

Thank you to the Directors for providing so many opportunities to promote the great work we do at Ocean Grove Rotary. In chronological order the following projects were promoted: Changeover; Oral History of the Southern Bellarine; Bali Smiles donation; Jirrahlinga donation; sponsorship of trainee teachers in Cambodia; Art Show; Bunnings BBQ; new BBQ trailer; Bronze award from ShelterBox; Summer Markets; Christmas function; Stephanie Woollard as a guest speaker; Barwon Heads Duck Race; Pre-loved art sale; Papua New Guinea guest speaker; ANZAC Day activities; Tree planting; Playground demolition and Community Awards.

I would like to wish incoming President Peter and his Board an enjoyable and productive Rotary year.

Kath Venters - Public Image

Community Service Report

Activities of the Community Services Committee have been severely limited by the restrictions imposed by the existence of Covid in the community. This has been particularly evident with a number of projects which required an active involvement of the local Council.

1. Ocean Grove Entry Identification –

Ocean Grove Rotary, together with the Ocean Grove Community Association (OGCA) and the Ocean Grove Business Association (OGBA), approached the City of Greater Geelong (CoGG) with a view to improving the image of the entries to the township of Ocean Grove.

A community competition was held, judged by the three local councillors, and a selection of winning designs submitted to the CoGG for action.

The draft guidelines for town signage have been drafted and are now subject to internal review within CoGG. Council is seeking funding for the rollout of Township signage in Greater Geelong, with four townships noted for year one. Ocean Grove is understood to be on this list and noted for year one.

2. Grubb Road Verge Cleanup/Adopt a Roadside

Grubb Road is one of the major entries to the township of Ocean Grove, and is one of the more unattractive approaches.

For a number of years Ocean Grove Rotary and OGCA have been attempting to have CoGG clean up the approaches.. The Club even obtained approval from the VicRoads “Adopt a Roadside”

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programme, but were unsuccessful in obtaining CoGG approval to undertake the “hands-on” maintenance work.

Maintenance of the Grubb Road has the potential to provide Club members with a viable “hands-on” project, and should be pursued in coming years.

3. Lookout Reserve

This on-going project has been severely affected by Covid restrictions, as coordination meetings with CoGG officers and councillors could not be held.

CoGG Open Space has been instructed to re-open discussions regarding future works, and hopefully some progress can be achieved in advancing with some of the projects identified in the Masterplan previously prepared by Rotary.

During the year some damage/vandalism occurred the masonry wall previously erected by Rotary, however Council has repaired damage at their expense.

4. R100 Celebrations

As a permanent recognition of the Centenary of Rotary in Australia, the Club proposed the planting of 100 trees.

The Club worked with CoGG in identifying suitable sites, and final site nominated was in Wallington Road, near the end of Thacker Street. CoGG assisted the Club by spraying and mulching the area in preparation for planting.

OG Rotary received a District Grant of \$2,000 (matched equally by the Club) to assist with the costs of this project. The project was completed in May 2022, with on-going maintenance being undertaken by Club members.

5. Marconi Memorial

Following the dissolution of Queenscliff Rotary it was determined that it would be appropriate for OG Rotary to work with the Borough of Queenscliffe to identify an appropriate “hands-on” project. To this end a number of meetings were held with the Mayor and the President of the Queenscliffe History Museum in an attempt to identify such a project.

The Borough nominated the relocation of the Marconi Memorial as their preferred project, as it had been on their programme for several years, and some funds were available. Unfortunately, local agitation prevented this valuable joint “hands-on” project from proceeding in the short term.

6. Shell Road Flagpoles

Three flagpoles were funded by Ocean Grove Rotary and erected at the Shell Road Reserve. Rotary’s involvement in this community project is identified on the flagpoles.

PP Gordon King - Community Service Director



International Service Report

Chair Person: Graeme Batrouney

Committee members: Janet Alexander, Coral Barker, Geoff Brentnall, Peter Cullen, Rod Greer, Andy McCoy, Andrea Tierney, Kath Venters, Margaret Campbell.

From July 2020 – June 2021 the International committee's focus has been on research and development for Rotary international educational sponsorships for primary and secondary students and teacher training.

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The committee divided into sub committees to be responsible for individual programs. Subsequently, 6 programs were selected in Cambodia, Bali, Nepal, Bangladesh, DIK and Shelter Box.

From July 2021 – June 2022 The International committee funded Rotary International education and sponsorship programs:

- CAMBODIA: In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Highton Victoria and supervised by the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh, financial support for two students to continue their studies at the Battambang Teachers College Budget contribution \$2000.00
- BALI: Bali Smiles presented by Ocean Grove resident Jan Johanneson and supervised by the Rotary Club of Bali Seminyak, Ocean Grove Rotary Scholarships for 6 secondary students. Budget \$2000.00
- NEPAL: Seven Women of Nepal, Donation of \$2000.00 to establish a Rotary education scholarship program for 8 primary students in rural Nepal.
- BANGLADESH: Operation Cleft Palate supervised by the Rotary Club of Box Hill Victoria, donation of \$2100.00 for 6 operations for children born with cleft palate.
- DONATIONS IN KIND: Donation of \$3000.00 to support the work of Rotary in sending goods overseas.
- SHELTER BOX: Donation of \$3000.00 to support the Shelter Box program to people disaster areas
- RORP - Rotary Overseas Recycled Playgrounds
 - Background
 - The program began in 2018 with one playground from Leopold being dismantled and sent as a 'filler' in a container of goods to the Sputnik Orphanage in Sri Lanka. Since then over 100 playgrounds have been recycled into places such as Timor Leste, Papua NewGuinea, Philippines and Sri Lanka. Plans are in place for this to be extended to Nepal and other places in Asia and the Pacific. From a simple ambition the program now has groups in each of the 5 Rotary Districts in Victoria and has a network of support in preparing plans, and organising transport and relocation overseas.
 - To date, the RC of Ocean Grove has been involved in establishing the project by providing technical expertise in IT and also by playing a part in dismantling playgrounds locally. At the time of preparing this report, we are dismantling Gane Reserve in Pt Lonsdale. This will be checked, repaired and stored along with other local playgrounds that will eventually be sent to the Phillipines.
 - A great project that began with 'this is a good idea, but we've no idea how to make it work. Let's try this" Rod Greer

The International committee arranged guest speakers on Rotary International programs:

- Bali Smiles – Jan Johansen founder and manager Bali Smiles
- Cleft palate program in Bangladesh – presented by Rotary Club of Box Hill
- Seven Women of Nepal – CEO Stephanie Woolard OAM
- Papua New Guinea – John Oswald Rotary Club of Torquay, Lucy Loko, Rotary Club of Geelong.

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- Myanmar - Safe Water for Every Child - Fleur Maidment, Singapore

My sincere thank you to the International committee for your commitment in establishing meaningful educational programs for overseas students.

Graeme Batrouney - Chairman International Committee



Youth Services Committee Report

The Committee members are: Meredith O'Neill [Chair], Judy Greer, Tony Haines, Adrian Schmidt, Michelle Fox, Jenny Wright, Xenia Williamson, Lyndy Stagg and Graham O'Donnell. Sincere thanks to members of the Youth Committee for their commitment and support in the past year. The Graham Bath Community Award sub committee met for the purposes of updating our insurance requirements and making adjustments to the program due to Covid restrictions. Sub committee members kept in regular communication on a needs basis.

The Youth Services Budget

The 2021 - 2022 Youth Services budget was \$ 8 500. The Youth Services area came in well under budget due to the postponement or cancellation of Youth Services programs during the period of Covid restrictions.

Goals and Objectives of the Youth Services Area:

Goals 2021 -23 (Part of the Ocean Grove Rotary Club Strategic Plan)

1. To contribute to an improvement in education opportunities for young people.
2. To contribute to the development of the next generation of leaders by helping young people to build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service.
3. To connect young people to their communities, encourage environmental responsibility and promote active, informed citizenship.

Objectives 2021 -22 and Report of Progress

1. Implement the Graham Bath Junior Community Award program in four local primary schools.

Progress – For the 2021 program, students were offered the option of completing a modified program as an alternative to the regular program and students received appropriate certificates of completion.

The 2022 program is being run in four local primary schools – see report below.

2. Communicate with secondary college Science Learning Area Managers about student participation in Science extension programs including the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), Santos Science Experience and the district 9780 'Defying the Drift' program and offer Rotary support if required.

Progress – Attempts were made to communicate with the Science Managers at both Bellarine Secondary College and St Ignatius College in Drysdale in late 2021 about the Santos Science Experience program. There were still some restrictions on student involvement in external excursions in 2021. Some of the programs were cancelled or postponed. There does not seem to be a high level of enthusiasm from within the schools for participation in these programs. Promotional material for the Science programs is sent to the Science Coordinators/Learning Area Managers by the Science Teachers' Association. Rotary is also distributing promotional material for the 2022 Science

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Experience programs. The 'Defying the Drift' 2021 program was first postponed then rescheduled and filled up quickly as it seems to be very popular with rural students.

3. Provide an award of \$1000 each per year to support two Bellarine Secondary College students to complete their VCE studies.

Progress- VCE Scholarships were awarded to three students.

A decision was made to fund two year 11 scholarships as there was additional money in the budget due to program cancellations. It is proposed that the students speak to a Rotary meeting at the end of the year.

4. Recognise and celebrate student citizenship through a Citizenship Award program at Bellarine Secondary College.

Progress – Three Bellarine students were awarded The Roy Rose Memorial Citizenship Awards.

Meredith O'Neill attended the Bellarine Secondary College Annual Presentation Ceremony and presented book vouchers to these students and certificates to the VCE scholarship students.

5. Promote and support involvement in the district 9780 Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA program).

Progress - Several young people had expressed interest in this program. Thank you to Lyn Carlson, Graham O'Donnell, Kath Venters and Gill Morgan for their assistance in promoting this program. Unfortunately, the prospective applicants did not want to follow through with their involvement or were unable to make the time commitment. The program was postponed then rescheduled. Sarah Barrot, who has a background as a Rotaract member was our club representative in the program. There has been positive feedback on the residential camp program at Kangarooobie near Port Campbell. Sarah will be invited to a club meeting to speak about her experiences.

6. Ensure that all child safe documentation and risk management for activities and programs is completed according to District 9780 requirements.

Progress - Meredith O'Neill is the Youth Protection Officer and she has been updating her knowledge of the Rotary Youth Protection requirements and clarifying some of the expectations of the role. Thank you to Tony Haines for his work on updating the risk management and insurance documentation for the club based Junior Community Awards program.

7. Establish links with the District 9780 Youth Services Committees and support new district youth services initiatives.

There is an intention to encourage the involvement of VCE Agriculture and Horticulture students in the 'Defying the Drift' district initiative.

There have been some enquiries about Rotary International Youth Exchange. Our club is not participating in the program during the 2022 school year. If the district resumes involvement in the program this will be discussed by the Youth Services Committee.

8. Complete the required District Assembly professional development program for Youth Services Directors

This is in progress.

9. Encourage Youth Services members to make links with community youth programs and provide opportunities for our members to engage in discussion about current youth issues

Major Project – Graham Bath Junior Community Award

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The 2021 program commenced during term 1 with a total of 51 students from four invited schools taking part. The participating schools in the Junior Community Awards program are Ocean Grove Primary School, Surfside Primary School, Star of the Sea Primary Schools in Ocean Grove and Wallington Primary School. To work around Covid issues for 2021, activities involving interaction with elderly community members such as those working in Opportunity shops and residing in Aged Care facilities were deemed 'unsuitable'. Rotarians were unable to visit schools during term 3. As consequence, only 34 students completed the program. Normally, at the end of the year, the successful students give a brief presentation of what they did to complete the program. The presentations are made to their grade 6 colleagues and to the Year 5's so they have a knowledge of the program. These presentations did not take place in 2021. The students completed a modified program in 2021 and certificates were presented at school assemblies that were attended by the Rotary program mentors.

During term 1, 2022 Judy Greer, Jenny Wright, Lyndy Stagg, Xenia Williamson, and Tony Haines visited four local schools to get the Rotary Junior Community Awards program ready to be undertaken by the interested Year 6 students during Terms 2 & 3. The Rotary mentors have been visiting the schools to monitor the childrens' activities and progress.

The four schools involved in the program are:

- Ocean Grove P.S. which has 6 participants.
- Surfside P.S. which has 6 participants
- Wallington P.S. which has 4 participants and
- Star of the Sea P.S. which has 19 participants.

There is a total of 35 participants

The lower numbers can be attributed to Covid and a reluctance of families to involve their child in Community activities.

We continue to appreciate the warm welcome that schools extend to our Rotarians and also the excellent support that we receive from the Year 6 teachers.

Thank you to Tony Haines, Judy Greer, Xenia Williamson, Lyndy Stagg and Jenny Wright for their involvement in the program and their work commitment

Meredith O'Neill - Youth Services Committee Chairperson

Vocational Services Committee Report



The Year 2021-22 was considerably better than our previous year. There were less lockdowns and more people were vaccinated and moving about with more face to face catch ups.

Due to caution by many, our work place events were put on hold. We were able to share one event with the social committee where we had 38 members attend a beautiful sunny Sunday lunch at One Day Estate. Members all enjoyed the opportunity to get out together in the sunshine. A great day was held by ALL.

Guest speakers:

1. Barwon Health: Jo Chamberlain & Kate Ellis attended in November 21 and spoke to us re the what they do in clinical trials in conjunction with various suppliers of new testings'. We had eight members of the club who had volunteered to participate in the Novavax

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trial all participants received vaccinations both vaccine and placebo. They also advised of upcoming trials for the year 2022.

2. Ann Barker: “ABC” Foreign Correspondent” Ann spoke to us re working under Covid restrictions. Very interesting. Anne last spoke to Rotary in September 2018 when she was just leaving for a three-year posting to Indonesia. However, just one and half years into this time in March 2020, the COVID pandemic hit that country. All correspondents and camera people were pulled out at short notice. Some correspondents who did go back became very ill with COVID and had to be evacuated out. Anne is currently in Europe she has been to both Poland and the Ukraine covering the news here.
3. Stephen Lamont, Past District Governor spoke to us with regards to the updated information on the “Rotary International Conference” to be held in Melbourne from 27th May – 31st May 2023. Stephen encourages us to volunteer he requested that we certainly come along and also assist where they can as a volunteer. Stephen as we all know is passionate with what he does and always happy to spread the news.

NEW PROJECTS FOR 2021-22:

Barwon Sports Academy:

Was approved by Board for 2021-22; this sponsorship has carried into 2022-23.

The project consists of six athletes, four who are local athletes over a number of sporting categories, plus an extra two athletes from Bis Sport who will participate in national events.

The Athletes will be invited to speak as a vocational speaker along with the CEO Cameron Loftus from BSA/Bis Sport at one of our Rotary meetings.

Two members of the board will attend a dinner, they will sit with the nominated athletes and a member of BSA. (date to be advised).

Kaz McGlynn, (ArtsKool):

This project was also approved by board, this project will be starting later than planned approximately mid -July 2022. Wal Kelly has kindly offered to assist here.

The Arts Committee has made a generous donation of \$600.00 towards this project.

Front fencing is the project and this will an area where children & adults can sit and enjoy the sunshine and let their creative juices flow in a safe place.

We would hope to have this finished before the Spring starts.

The works will be done by trades people @ no cost and any volunteers who would like to assist will be welcome.

WHAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DO:

Anzac Appreciation Packages:

Starting back in 2020 Ty Simmons (Driftwood Café) came up with a wonderful idea as the Veterans were unable to march on Anzac Day, he decided he could put together a dozen packages consisting of food staples & meals. Ty contacted me to see if Rotary could supply a dozen names that he could deliver the packages to.

To cut a very long story short this was told to a customer in the café who then offered a \$500.00 donation to fund more packages, this was then matched by another customer.

Next was all of the small businesses in the Ocean Grove area made donations of cooked meals, vegetables, milk, cream, bread, butter, sweets & a bottle of wine. 2020 -- 42 PACKAGES were packed and delivered to the Vets by ROTARIANS of our club.

2021: we packed and delivered 58 PACKAGES.

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2022: we packed and delivered 68 PACKAGES.

Thank you all that assisted.

COMMUNITY SERVICES AWARDS:

Our Awards were held on the 17th May 2022 @ the Ocean Grove Surf Lifesaving Club.

Members, Sponsors & Guests were greeted by Rotary Members & Vocational Committee members on arrival.

Shedding the Blues Band who were one of our nominated candidates, they offered to play music on arrival, his created a very pleasant atmosphere had a great response from many.

Many of our Sponsors were able to attend and all enjoyed the evening and were able to meet the Winners/Runner Up recipients. Major overall Sponsor -- Kellie Thomson (manager) from the Bendigo Community Bank , Barwon Heads was very impressed.

Winners:

Small Business: Dominique Ho, Viewpoint Digital Media O/G; Runner up: Barry Iddles, 360Q Queenscliff.

Apprentice/Trainee: Ashley McCracken Utopia Salon O/G; R/up: Lleyton Woolley, Mode Electrical.

Volunteer Organisation: Queenscliff Rural Aust Refugees; R/Up Shedding the Blues.

Team Member: Rachelle Calleja, Bay IT O/G; R/Up; Jane Dao, Hearing Aust.

Our MC for the evening Mr Rodney Greer, was a delight for all and a great Compere.

I would like to thank all the members of our committee, Ann Hodgkinson, Gill Morgan, Marion Walton, Kath Venters, Neil Templeton, Chris Watson, John Karis, Graham O Donnell, Greg Leece.

A special thank you to the Rotarians who assisted with Judging & Ushered guests to their table.

Judy Greer, Marg Campbell, Rod Birrell, Geoff Chandler, Alan Keyse Pres, Pearl Macmillan & Janet Alexander.

Lynne Carlson - Vocational Chairperson

Summer Market Report

Our markets over the last summer period were very successful with almost all markets being booked out (and paid for) even though the inclement weather for the last 3 meant many stallholders either didn't come, or they went home before setting up.

We had seven markets, again missing the October market due to COVID but having 2 in April which helped make up for the loss of October.

We did increase the individual site fee from \$30 to \$35 for this season, and with the full bookings brought in a gross of over 26K which was a very pleasing result, and netted us just on 20K.

We again manned the gates for the voluntary Gold Coin donation and despite some poorly attended days due to the weather, we managed to collect over \$18.5K, which shows the generosity of the public, and enables us to be very generous to those groups in the community who need help.

Our stall-holder public liability insurance arrangements changed this year, and instead of paying the insurer the stallholders insurance money after each market, we were forced to take out a lump

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sum policy to cover all markets. We normally have around 30 of the 100+ stallholders who don't have their own insurance and have to be insured through us.

Due to COVID we didn't run our Community Raffle until the last couple of markets for which Alison George was the mainstay and raised over \$600.

The BBQ raffle (no cars this year) which was run in the main by David Larkin, Ron Ayes, Chris Watson, Geoff Ford, and Coral Barker at the Drysdale Market raised over 5.5K which was a great effort.

The market BBQ "team" had the use of our new trailer and despite misgivings from some members, it makes the whole effort of running the BBQ so much more comfortable, pleasant and professional, that I think we all agreed it was a great acquisition.

With the Market BBQ and Bunnings sausage sizzles, all organized by Graeme Chamberlain, we raised almost 17K despite the three poor weather markets at the end of the season. After expenses we netted just over 10K.

Finally, to run the markets with all the organization and helpers required (normally over 50) I would like to thank all Rotarians and their partners and families for making the markets and the associated ventures such a success.

The financial gains from these ventures allows us to spread our Rotarian help far and wide

Adrian Schmidt, Market Manager

Art Show Report

10th ANNUAL ART SHOW



After some date changes and extra planning to cope with potential COVID issues we managed to stage our 2021 Art Show in late November (27th/28th) This allowed us to take advantage of the relaxed density requirements and be comfortable that we could open the show to the public with confidence.

Entry numbers were quite high and attendance over the weekend was very pleasing. Sponsorship increased slightly and as a result, prize money for several categories had an increase.

In all, the show raised around \$9 000 which was distributed as planned:

25% - Riding Develops Abilities (\$2,125)

25% - Surfing for the Disabled. (\$2,125)

50% - Rotary Member Selected causes. Each of the listed groups received \$600:

Lazarus Centre: Geelong, Bellarine Community Health Therapy Team, Water for Myanmar, Queenscliff Rural Aid for Refugees, ArstKool, Uniting Church Food Aid, Cherished Pets.

The completion of the show saw the retirement of our long service Chairman, **John Calnin** who has been in the role since the early years. John's boundless enthusiasm and drive were major factors in the show success and we thank him sincerely for all he has done to make our Annual Art show such a well respected and well patronised event.

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We had some new members join the Art Show Committee - Sue Hill as well as Lisa and Harry Hanley. The committee looks forward to working together to make the show even better!

At our January market, we trialled the idea of a Pre-loved art sale but unfortunately it just covered costs and wasn't the success we were hoping for.

On behalf of the Committee I thank the Board and members for their continued support both financially and attendance at the show.

This year, our 11th show will return to its customary time, the weekend prior to the Melbourne Cup. (October 29/30)

Rod Bush - Chairman



Meeting Program Report

This year the aim was to incorporate inclusiveness into our meetings and also have a stronger focus on Fellowship amongst our ever growing club.

Corrina Eccles from the Wadawarrung corporation spoke about the rich cultural history on the Bellarine. Coral Corbey, a founding member of Geelong Rainbow Inc spoke about acceptance of all people and Leanne Watson spoke passionately about equality for people with disability.

We were entertained by two outstanding Journalists , Anne Baker , ABC Indonesian correspondent and Kate Halfpenny , Columnist for the Age.

The International Committee provided us with informative updates on the projects we are supporting . A highlight was the presentation from the Seven Women Nepal Founder Stephanie Wollard.

Moving forward through the year the focus on Fellowship became stronger and a big thank you to the social committee for arranging some fun evenings , including a Pie night and a Music Trivia night.

I would like to thank the service committees for providing speakers and wonderful Award Evenings and also everyone who has contributed with speaker suggestions.

Andrea Tierney - Meeting Program Coordinator

Disabled Surfing

Once again Covid dictated the events planned for 2022. Two events were cancelled, fortunately the event for March 6th was able to go ahead.

The weather wasn't as kind this year but that did not dampen the enthusiasm of both the participants and the volunteers.

The new Rotary barbecues worked a treat , even in the windy conditions. We had two shifts of volunteers and I believe this worked well.

DSA are extremely grateful for Rotary's continued support. Fingers crossed for Covid free sunny conditions in 2023.

Andrea Tierney

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Duck Race Report

The Barwon River Duck Race was held on Saturday 16th April 2022 in perfect conditions. The weather was particularly kind with a windless morning and smooth waters

The ducks were sent off at 10am and took less than 20 minutes to cross the finish line.

There were 10 prizes, all donated by Barwon Heads retailers and were most generous.

The top prizes exceeded \$300 in value and most exceeded \$100 in value.

Excellent promotion through 3 newspaper articles and facebook updates meant the event was well known in the town.

Heather Willson organised the club to manage the day :

Tippers tipped the 1200 ducks from the bridge and special thanks went to “Robbo” Robinson for organising the boat to collect the ducks as they completed the race. Andrea Tierney organised kayaks to collect outliers.

The Barwon Heads Scouts then collected and bagged the ducks before taking them to their clubhouse to wash, dry and store them for 2023.

All the ducks were sold by the day before and the sales teams in Barwon Heads (Jenny Wright, Lyndy Stagg & Peter Hawthorn) as well as Point Lonsdale (Marg Campbell, Kath Venters) were most successful.

Gary Willson co-ordinated on line sales through Eventbrite.

In all the race brought in over \$10,500

The proceeds were distributed as follows:

25% to Barwon Heads Primary School for a bollards project

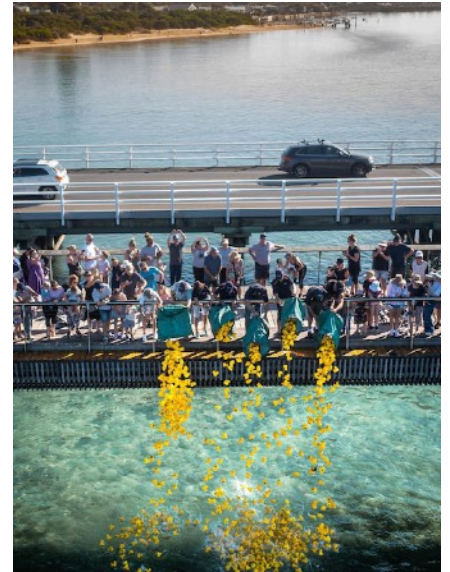
25% to Barwon Heads Scouts

10% to Barwon Heads Association for an environmental project

40% to Ocean Grove Rotary Club

An excellent outcome

Heather Willson



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Treasurer's Interim Report (July 2021 – May 2022)

Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Inc Balance Sheet As of June 4, 2022

	Total
Assets	
Current Assets	
2000 General Account 4749	13,191.33
2001 Art Show Account 7003	2,350.54
2004 Trading Account 6663	1,031.87
2009 Petty Cash	300.00
Charities Account	23,539.68
Total Current Assets	A\$ 40,413.42
Total Assets	A\$ 40,413.42

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	Income	Expenses	Net
MARKETS			
Sites	26244		
Market day Costs		4938.8	
Sites Insurance		1472.04	19833.16
GOLD COIN	18584.4	0	18584.4
Community Raffle	643.5	0	643.5
SAUSAGE SIZZLES	16889.7	6532.27	10357.43
BBQ RAFFLE	6259.58	630	5629.58
DUCK RACE	10899.65	6616.53	4283.12
KITE SALES	836	580	256

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S Benefactors Report 1 July, 2021 - 4 June, 2022

	Date	Name	Memo/Description	Amount
1500 Charities Expenses				
1534 Youth Donations				
	22/12/2021	Bellarine Secondary College	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Bellarine Secondary	3,000.00
1539 Vocational Donations				
	23/09/2021		OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Barwon Sports Academ	2,380.00
	29/05/2022		OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Q'cliff Rural Aid fo	250.00
	29/05/2022		OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Q'cliff Rural Aid fo	750.00
1549 Community Donations				
	23/07/2021	Jirrahlinga Wildlife Sanctuary	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Jirrahlinga Wildlife	1,000.00
	15/10/2021	Feed Me Bellarine	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Feed Me Bellarine	500.00
	19/05/2022	Feed Me Bellarine	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Feed Me Bellarine	5,000.00
	26/05/2022	Days For Girls Australia	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Days For Girls Austr	500.00
	26/05/2022	Queenscliff Neighbourhood Centre	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Queenscliff Neighbou	500.00
1560 International Projects Donations				
	17/07/2021	Bali Smiles J Johansen	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Bali Smiles J Johans	1,770.00
	30/07/2021	Rotary Club of Highton	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Rotary Club of Hight	2,022.17
	13/09/2021	Operation Cleft	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Operation Cleft Aust	2,100.00
	01/02/2022	Seven Women	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Seven Women	2,000.00
	28/03/2022	Rotary Donations in Kind Geelong	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Donations in Kind Ro	3,000.00
	12/05/2022		OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Shelter Box Australi	3,000.00
1563 Rotary Foundation (The)				
	14/01/2022	Rotary Foundation (The)	CHEQUE 4	2,000.00
	27/05/2022	Rotary Foundation (The)	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove The Rotary Foundatio	5,000.00
	27/05/2022	Rotary Foundation (The)	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove The Rotary Foundatio	15,000.00
1565 Other Charitable Donations				
	10/12/2021	Australian Rotary Health	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Australian Rotary He	1,900.00
1580 Sundry Projects Expenses				
	21/03/2022	RAWCS Flood Appeal	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Rotary Relief Fund R	4,320.00
	26/05/2022	RAWCS Flood Appeal	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Rotary Relief Fund R	378.00
	26/05/2022	RAWCS Flood Appeal	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Rotary Relief Fund R	5,634.00
1725 ART SHOW Payments to Beneficiaries				

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01/03/2022	Queenscliff Rural Australians for Refugees	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Q'cliff Rural Aid fo	600.00
01/03/2022	Riding Develops Abilities	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Riding for Disabled	2,125.00
01/03/2022	Disabled Surfers Association	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Surfing for the Disa	2,125.00
07/03/2022	Lazarus Community Centre	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Lazarus Community Ce	600.00
07/03/2022	Kazworks	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove KAZWORKS pTY ITD	600.00
07/03/2022	Disaster Aid Australia	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Disaster Aid Austral	600.00
07/03/2022	Cherished Pets	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Cherished Pets	600.00
21/03/2022	Uniting Vic Tas	CHEQUE 670	600.00
29/05/2022	Bellarine Community Support Register	OSKO PAYMENT Rotary Ocean Grove Bellarine Community	600.00
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Rotary Club of Ocean Grove Inc Profit and Loss, All Accounts 1 July, 2021 - 4 June, 2022

	Total	
	1 Jul., 2021 - 4 Jun., 2022	1 Jul., 2020 - 4 Jun., 2021 (PY)
Income		
0500 Charities Income		
0501 Summer Market Sites	26,244.00	18,626.95
0510 Market Raffle		239.05
0511 BBQ RAFFLE	6,259.58	3,314.95
0515 Market Entry Collection	18,584.40	19,836.95
0521 Community Sausage Sizzles	16,889.70	18,743.81
0522 Community Raffles (other than Cars)	643.50	
0530 Foundation	1,000.00	
0535 Rotary Grants	1,437.76	1,000.00
0540 Public Donations	1,413.85	15,147.55
0570 Sundry Projects Income	3,774.14	4,945.55
0580 Interest earned	4.26	5.41
0585 Charities Account separated out		
523 GOLF DAY Sponsorship		1,400.00
524 GOLF DAY Entries	250.00	7,404.84
526 Duck Race	10,899.65	11,179.93
545 Vocational Sponsorship	6,250.00	3,010.00
Total 0500 Charities Income	A\$ 93,650.84	A\$ 104,854.99
0600 Administration Income		
0645 Member Annual Subscriptions	14,300.00	12,730.00
0650 Meeting Receipts	33,898.42	25,162.21
0655 Meeting Sergeant	647.75	317.75
0660 Club Meeting Contribution		2,160.00
0665 Footy Tipping	500.00	470.00
0670 Sundry Admin. Income	50.00	340.00
Total 0600 Administration Income	A\$ 49,396.17	A\$ 41,179.96
0700 Art Show - Income		
0710 Sponsorship	8,000.00	5,250.00
0720 Art Raffle Sales	1,875.15	
0730 Art Entry Fees	5,400.00	
0750 Screen Bond Return	400.00	
0760 Art Show Door Collection	529.20	
0770 Sale of Paintings	17,153.75	
0775 Cash Return	100.00	
0780 Sundry Revenue	580.00	120.00
Total 0700 Art Show - Income	A\$ 34,038.10	A\$ 5,370.00
Total Income	A\$ 177,085.11	A\$ 151,404.95
Expenses		
1500 Charities Expenses		
1528 Summer Market Expenses	4,938.80	6,277.43
1532 Market Insurance	1,472.04	1,080.00
1534 Youth Donations	3,000.00	

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1535 Youth Payments excl Exchange	1,875.92	2,366.10
1539 Vocational Donations	3,380.00	
1540 Vocational Payments	4,613.27	8,718.50
1543 GOLF DAY Expenses		5,074.88
1546 BBQ RAFFLE EXPENSES	630.00	407.87
1549 Community Donations	7,500.00	21,762.25
1550 Community Projects	5,088.63	4,700.25
1551 Duck Race Costs	5,545.75	
1553 Sausage Sizzle Costs	6,532.27	4,886.37
1555 Solmaid School Project		5,500.00
1560 International Projects Donations	13,892.17	7,000.00
1563 Rotary Foundation (The)	22,000.00	5,000.00
1565 Other Charitable Donations	1,900.00	4,523.00
1580 Sundry Projects Expenses	19,223.71	41,229.48
Total 1500 Charities Expenses	A\$ 101,592.56	A\$ 118,526.13
1600 Administration Expenses		
1605 Rotary International Subscriptions	6,826.12	6,357.19
1606 RDU Magazine Subscriptions	2,380.42	2,078.00
1607 District Subscriptions	4,960.00	4,560.00
1608 Social Club Subscriptions	110.00	1,034.00
1609 Badges and Regalia	329.70	1,287.46
1615 Meeting Meals/Venue	32,125.61	21,209.06
1620 Meeting Raffle Expenses	718.60	336.35
1625 Postage, Printing, Stationery	408.57	272.50
1630 Secretarial Expenses	60.10	
1632 Accounting Expenses		75.67
1635 Comms (Web host, Telephone etc)	675.97	555.26
1640 Public Relations	315.55	
1645 Equipment Purchase		775.44
1650 Sundry Admin Expenses	195.96	440.10
Total 1600 Administration Expenses	A\$ 49,106.60	A\$ 38,981.03
1700 Art Show - Expenses		
1710 Prize Payments	12,750.00	
1720 Payments to Artists	13,297.00	
1725 Payments to Beneficiaries	8,450.00	
1730 Raffle Costs	625.00	
1740 Hire of Screens	800.00	385.00
1750 Hire of venue	1,160.00	
1755 Catering Costs	779.14	
1760 Judges Costs	465.00	
1770 Printing catalog	745.00	110.00
1780 Advertising/Promotional Signage	375.00	
1785 Office/General Administrative Expenses	115.70	
1790 Sundry Expenses	1,475.23	250.00
Total 1700 Art Show - Expenses	A\$ 41,037.07	A\$ 745.00
Total Expenses	A\$ 191,736.23	A\$ 158,252.16
Net Earnings	A\$ -14,651.12	-A\$ 6,847.21

Notes to Accounts: Overall loss for 2021-2022 is explained by

1. Art Show utilised income from 2020/21
2. Special Projects Expenses includes final payment for BBQ trailer

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2022 -> 2023 - Board Members

President:	Peter Cowburn
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Treasurer:	Frank Rice
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Youth Service	Meredith O'Neill
Vocational Service	Xenia Williamson
International Service	Kath Venters
Community Service	Pearl Macmillan

