

# 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 Oct 19th	End Polio Now		John Paton			19/10 Rod Birrell, 23/10 Bill Walton, John & Pippa Paton
Tuesday Oct 26th	Jessie Harman		Kath Venters			25/10 Jon McDowell, Jo Hawthorne
Tuesday Nov 2nd	No Meeting					1/11 Peter & Jenny Cowburn,

### Our Club

#### President



Alan Keyse

#### Secretary



Heather Willson

**Where:** We meet each Tuesday at the Ocean Grove Surf Life Saving Club - unless we're on ZOOM !

**When:** 6pm for 6:30pm (or 7pm ZOOM)

Visitors are Welcome

**Late Apologies: Lyndy Stagg - 0429 436 858**

**Web:** [rotaryoceangrove.org.au](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)

**Theme: Community Economic Development Month**

**Look out Reserve Maintenance Roster:**

- 17 Oct 2021 Lorraine Batrouney
- 31 Oct 2021 Tony Haines
- 14 Nov 2021 Ann Hodgkinson

#### Past bulletins

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

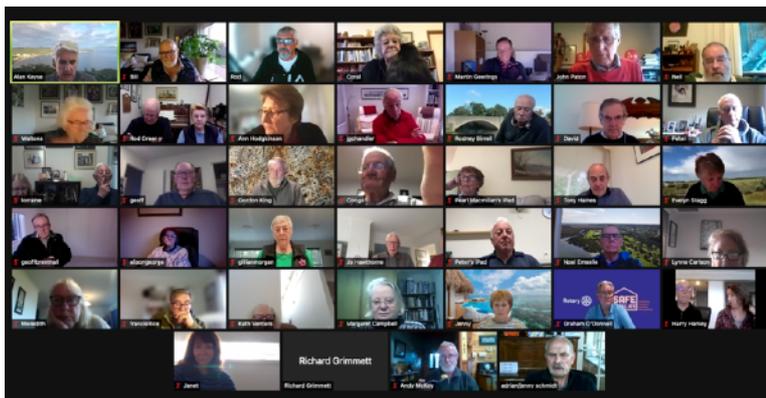
**Market:** 0401 606 036 **Art Show:** 0417 319 465

#### Members: Coming Events:

Lockdown easing 😊 ??

We acknowledge the traditional First Nation owners 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.

### Report of ZOOM Meeting - 19th October 2021



#### President: Alan Keyse

Acknowledgement of Country. Invocation.

Long serving member Norm Elliott has resigned from the Club due to ill health. Alan proposed a Toast to Norm wishing him good health in the future.

#### President's Report

Wombat Gully nursery has a promotion whereby they are giving 10% of purchases to the Grace McKeller Centre in Geelong. Gardeners see Alan for vouchers if you want to participate. Members need to be vaccinated if they are working at the Market on November 7th. Heather Willson is developing a log of vaccination status. Please respond to her email on this matter. An ANZAC Day Breakfast organiser is required. A number of members expressed interest in helping. Coral Barker has volunteered to be the chief organiser.

#### Committee Reports

**Gil Morgan** advised that the new BBQ Trailer is complete. It was picked up on Friday from the sign-writers. She also attended the President's meeting in lieu of Alan and reiterated the need to register vaccination status.

## Wisdom for the week ....

There is nothing permanent except change - *Heraclitus*

### “Letter words” - with new definitions .... *A*

**Alcohol** - the anaesthesia by which we endure the operation of life.

**Antique** - Something that's been useless so long that it's in pretty good shape.

**Astronauts** - Rotarians in outer space.

**Autobiography** - An unrivalled opportunity to tell the truth about other people.

### One liners ....

- I have the world's largest collection of seashells, you may have seen it, I keep it scattered on beaches all over.
- I have a friend. He keeps trying to convince me he's a compulsive liar, but I don't believe him.
- I did a gig in the U.S. once for the homeless. I said 'It's nice to see so many bums on seats.'
- Honesty may be the best policy, but it's important to remember that apparently, by elimination, dishonesty is the second-best policy.

## 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 following meeting. - **please respond when you get it** - it's a very simple process.

**Graeme Batrouney, International** - The Seven Women from Nepal launch is being held via Zoom Wednesday to Friday this week. Graeme and Andrea Tierney will attend. If anyone else is interested, see Graeme for details.

### Janet Alexander, Social Events for the rest of 2021.

Saturday, November 6th: Launch of the BBQ Trailer, trial lunch to be held at Andrea Tierney's place, 290 Grubb Road, Wallington. Coog is confident that the trailer is functional. Gil Morgan has some bottles of wine which can be supplied for the event. Bring your own meat and utensils.

Friday night, November 19th: Dinner for Six. Eight or Nine members are asked to volunteer as hosts for these dinners. Each will host six members and partners.

14 December, Christmas Function at 360Q, Queenscliff. Cost \$50 for two course dinner plus welcome drink. Entertainment will be provided.

**EMAILS WILL GO OUT REGARDING THESE EVENTS. PLEASE INDICATE YOUR ATTENDANCE OR OTHERWISE FOR EACH FUNCTION.**

### Guest Speaker: John Paton, Polio First

John's father contracted Polio at the age of 35 in the 1955-56 wave which affected adults, as children had been vaccinated by then. He has participated in bike rides, including organising Ride the Bellarine, as fundraisers. Monday, October 25th is World Polio Day, a District Zoom event (see recent email).

Five reasons why we must eradicate Polio: 19 million people would have been paralysed and 1.5 million people would have died without this program. It improves child health and lowers health care costs. This is a history-making project in eradicating a world-wide epidemic disease.

A powerful video documenting Ann Lee Hussey's story was shown. She contracted Polio as a young child in the USA. She required years of rehabilitation involving hours of remedial work each day. She underwent multiple surgeries, had to wear a leg brace, still walks with a limp and has other life-long effects. However, she witnessed survivors in India with much more severe physical disabilities. She has led thirty immunisation teams in ten different countries over the years. During these trips she saw the challenges faced by Polio survivors. There is now a project to provide tricycle wheelchairs to such people to provide mobility which enables them to get to school and employment. Ann Lee also told of her friend Carol who contacted Polio at the age of six, and had to exist in an iron lung to survive.

John Paton said that by the time the Rotary project began in 1988, polio had been limited to developing countries. This year only two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan, reported one case each. They have been able to overcome the resistance by radical Muslim sects through the cooperation of women which enabled children to be vaccinated. There are still occasional breakthrough cases which

can be controlled by revaccination. Rotary's objective is to raise \$50 million which will be matched by the Bill and Belinda Gates Foundation.

He reminded members of the proposed voluntary donation of \$25 to Polio First which will be matched by the Board and also \$2 for \$1 by the Gates Foundation, so will equal a \$150 donation. District is raising money for a Telehealth program for Polio survivors. Please join in the Monday night event if you can. Older Polio survivors are suffering from emerging side-effects from their childhood polio, including people in Australia. Donations to Polio Australia are tax deductible. Gordon King commented that he believed that the Taliban are allowing vaccinations to begin again in Afghanistan.

**Pearl Macmillan** won the raffle: OGBA Voucher.

#### **Next Week's Guest Speaker: Jessie Harman - Rotary International Director for Australasia.**

Jessie Harman is a Director of Rotary International. She is a member of the Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast in Ballarat and was Governor of District 9780, Australia in 2010-2011.

Jessie has an active interest in membership development. She is the immediate past chair of the Rotary International Membership Committee and a past Rotary Co-ordinator for Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands. She is also a past International Assembly training leader and seminar trainer and member of the Honolulu Convention Committee.

Jessie and her husband Andrew, also a Rotarian, are keen supporters of The Rotary Foundation, as major donors and Bequest Society members.

In her professional life, Jessie has held senior roles in the Australian University sector, most recently as Pro Vice-Chancellor (International and Partnerships). After a long career in higher education, she now works as a consultant, non-executive director and independent chair.

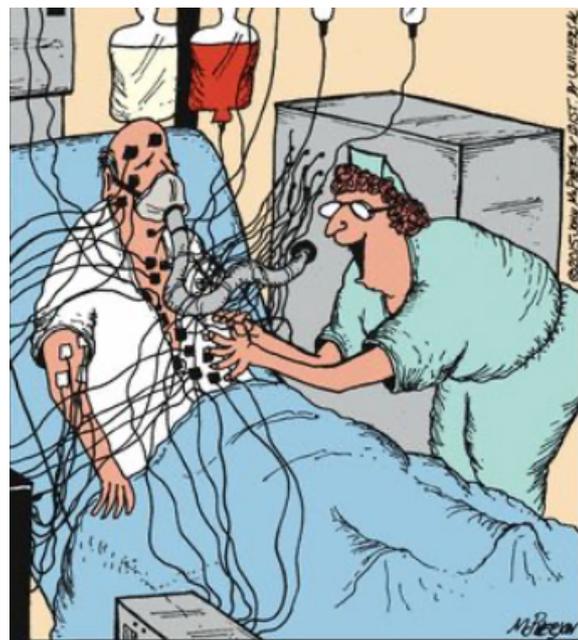
#### **Guitars for Veterans - Australia: Some great feedback from Graham O'Donnell:**

Guitars for Veterans Australia (G4VA) is a great new initiative that is helping Australian Veterans experiencing Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) express themselves through the healing power of music. Dave Cox, founding member of G4VA, presented to Rotary Club Ocean Grove earlier in the year. As a result, Graham O'Donnell facilitated for G4VA to partner with Deakin University's FreelancingHUB on a student-led project, which commenced in early July. The FreelancingHUB falls under Deakin University's Graduate Employment Division and is part of DeakinTALENT. The FreelancingHUB partners with non-profit and government agencies to work together on impactful multidisciplinary projects. The projects are student-run and managed by an experienced project manager.



G4VA provides veterans with a free guitar and a formal lesson plan as an opportunity to learn a new skill and a find a creative outlet or even a new direction. Following the mantra 'where words fail, music speaks', G4VA is bringing the healing power of music and self-expression to help veterans who are struggling with their mental health.

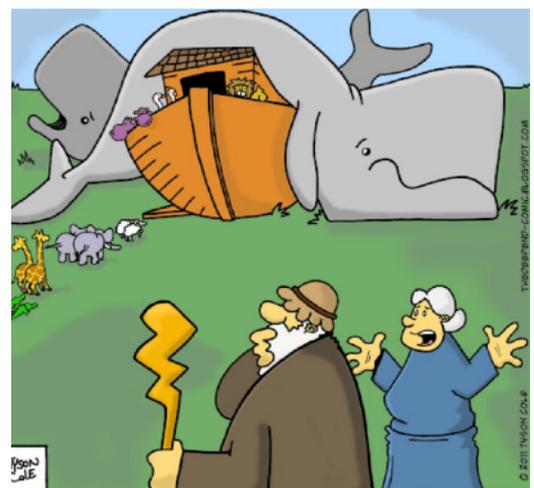
G4VA recently produced a promotional CD Where Words Fail – The FreelancingHUB team has recently purchased and we can say first-hand that this is a fantastic album of uplifting and soulful music. Each CD purchased at \$30 will fund a guitar lesson for a Vet. If you are interested in supporting this organisation either by purchasing a CD and/or discussing potential sponsorship opportunities, please contact Dave at: [cdpromo@guitarsforvetsaustralia.com](mailto:cdpromo@guitarsforvetsaustralia.com) (for the purchase of a CD) or [g4vetsa@gmail.com](mailto:g4vetsa@gmail.com) (for general or sponsorship related).



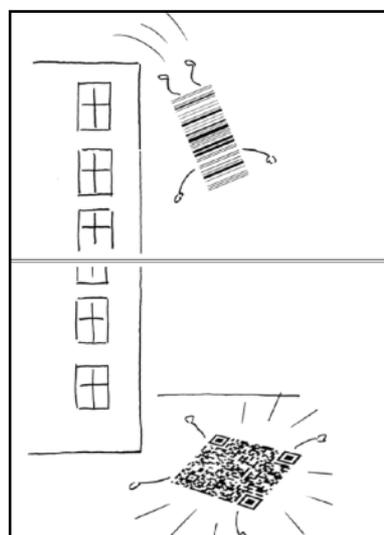
"Sorry to be a nuisance, but I think my phone charger got mixed up in here somehow."



"Seriously, this is my last chip...starting early tomorrow I'm completely healthy and eating nothing but bugs and grubs"



"MAYBE THE WHALES WOULD BE OK STAYING IN THE WATER."



Why science teachers should not be given playground duty.