

# 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 Feb 14	Ian Radcliffe, Prisoner Release	Pearl Macmillan	Meredith O'Neill	Kath Venters	Frank Rice	Judy Greer	Peter Cowburn 13/2; Wal & Val Kelly 15/2; Marian King 16/2
Tuesday Feb 21	Art Show Cheques; Special Presentations	Rod Bush	Janet Alexander	Graeme Batrouney	Gordon King	Rod Birrell	Lorraine Batrouney 20/2; Jan Chandler 21/2, Paul Tierney 25/2
Tuesday Feb 28	Quiz / Game	Lyndy Stagg	NR				John Paton, 28/2; Pam Haines 3/3
Tuesday March 7	Fleur Maidment, ZOOM						Alan Keyse, 6/3

### Our Club

President

Secretary



Peter Cowburn



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:** January - Peace Building & Conflict Prevention Month

#### 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

- **District Conference**, Ballarat, 24 - 26 March, 2023.
- **Rotary International Convention** - 27 - 31 May 2023 (Melbourne). Register by December before price rises. The website through which to register is: [rotarymelbourne2023.org](http://rotarymelbourne2023.org)

**Our Theme for 2023/4:** RI President Elect Gordon McNally's theme for 2023-24 was announced on the first morning of the International Assembly.



Gordon has chosen as our theme:  
**Create Hope in the World**

**President, Peter Cowburn**  
New member **Paul Brewster**, transfer from Highton Rotary Club. Paul was presented with badges and literature on our Club projects. He was appointed to the Youth Committee. Paul has retired and is living with his wife, Jan, in Barwon Heads. He is looking forward to getting to know our members and participating in Club projects.



Peter, Graeme and Paul

## Wisdom for the Week ....

I used to feel embarrassed, but then I realised nobody's watching and nobody gives a damn - Barbara Corcoran

### "Letter words" - with new definitions. 7

**Failure:** More interesting than success.

**Fame:** Being asked to sign your autograph on the back of a cigarette pack (Billy Connolly). Either vilification or sanctification, and both piss me off (Bob Geldof).

**Family:** A unit composed not only of children but of men, women, an occasional animal, and the common cold.

### One liners ....

- Why was Cinderella thrown off the basketball team? She ran away from the ball.
- You won't drink away alcoholism.
- Claustrophobic people are more productive thinking outside the box.
- A clean house is the sign of a broken computer.

### 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. You will receive a return email advising your response has been registered.

### Guest Speaker: Jessie Harmon.

Jessie commented that Ocean Grove was the second largest Club in the District behind Ballarat South. She is a member of the Rotary International Board which governs 48,000 Clubs and 80 Secretariats. It is comprised of 17 directors from throughout the world each with a two year term plus the President and Deputy President. Jessie's term finishes in June. She outlined a number of decisions recently made to keep Rotary strong into the future.



Jessie Harmon

*Women in Rotary:* Women were first admitted in 1989. There are currently 280,000 women members or one-quarter of the membership and they take 30% of the leadership roles. There are seven on the Board and the first female President, Jennifer Jones, is currently serving.

*Diversity, Equity and Inclusion:* Board has adopted a statement aiming to make Rotary more representative of the communities it serves. A Taskforce has been formed to advise the Board and an operational plan and learning resources commissioned. RI will support Action Groups to bring diverse people together. These principles are everyone's responsibility and are part of the objectives of Rotary.

*New Types of Rotary Clubs:* These include Satellite Clubs, E Clubs, and Passport Clubs. Other Clubs are formed from Alumni members of programs, Corporate Clubs of employees of a business or profession, and Interest Group Clubs. These expand our reach to those who would not join traditional clubs.

*Environment:* added as 7th area of focus aiming to increase the number of environmentally sensitive projects. Foundation funds use to support projects and it results in new partners.

*Peace:* has been at the heart of Rotary since it was founded. Rotary was involved in the establishment of the U.N. and UNESCO. Peace Clubs were started in the 1990s and the latest one formed in Turkiye.

*Regionalisation:* The same Rotary model has been used all around the world but with different patterns of performance. Some areas are thriving while others are declining, including the south Pacific region. Rotary needs to be more responsive to local needs. Our area has voted in favour of a new model. The impact at Club level should be minimal but it may result in more support resources being available and the establishment of a Regional Council to coordinate inter-district activities.

### REPORTS

*Judy Greer, Family of Rotary:* Marian Coppins is having treatment for a detached retina; Chris Watson is undergoing prostate surgery; Shane O'Neill is unwell; David Williamson is having chemotherapy for a brain tumour; Coral Barker has been in ICU for an artery aneurism and kidney dialysis; Rod Bush is undergoing tests. If help is needed for any of these people, a message will go out.

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

Lookout Roster: Noel Emselle

15 on me: Rod Bush

100 Trees: Pearl Macmillan

Lookout Maintenance Roster

Date	Rotarian
8 January 2023	Ron Ayres
22 January 2023	Rod Birrell
5 February 2023	Noel Emselle
19 February 2023	Pearl Macmillan
5 March 2023	Jenny Templeton
19 March 2023	Andy McKoy
2 April 2023	David Larkin
16 April 2023	Gordon King
30 April 2023	Graeme Chamberlain
14 May 2023	Delia Nauman
28 May 2023	Marita Scott
11 June 2023	Rod Greer
25 June 2023	Alex Magee

15 on me chats

Tue, Apr 4,	15 on Me: Marion/Bill Walton/Kath Venters
Tue, Apr 25,	15 on Me: Pearl Macmillan/Frank Rice
Tue, May 16,	15 on me: Andy McKoy/Andrea Tierney

**Rod Bush, Art Show:** Cheques from the proceeds will be presented on 21 February for total of \$10,250. RDA and DSA will each get \$4,000 with the remainder to other recipients.

**Meredith O'Neill, Youth:** The new Junior Scholarship program of \$250 to help costs of transition to High School has been successful. The Club was represented at a number of Primary School functions and a letter of appreciation received. The VCE scholarship recipients are progressing well. Plans to start the Junior Community Awards program for this year have started.

**Frank Rice, Treasurer:** Market takings from last Sunday were - BBQ \$1,731; Coin collection \$2,301.

**Alan Keyse, District Conference:** Ballarat 24 - 26 March, a room is available, more welcome to come. Currently 10 to 12 participants from this Club.

**Kath Venters, International:** The District grant has been implemented in Myanmar. A clip from this project and Bali Smiles is on YouTube with the link on Facebook. The trainee teachers program has completed successfully.

**David Larkin, Fundraising:** the cakes and puddings have been sold to benefit Foundation. We have started selling car raffle tickets with booklets handed out to members, 10 tickets at \$2 each. Volunteers are needed to sell in caravan parks and Market Place shopping centre.

**Noel Emselle, Environment and Community:** Noel handed out White Mangrove leaflets at the Market and added 20 names to the list of interested persons. Several authorities are responsible for this area which are causing complications. We have the opportunity to undertake some rehabilitation around the 100 Trees site and working bees will be set up. Highton Rotary is interested in cooperating with this project.

**Lyndy Stagg, Social:** Thanks to all who participated in January despite the rain. Thanks to Coog for the cooking.

**Andy McKoy, 100 Trees:** Trees are doing well.

**President's Report: Peter Cowburn.**

Peter welcomed everyone back. January was far from quiet. Thanks to all who worked at the Athletics BBQ, which cleared about \$4,000 over three days. Several members attended the CPR training at Point Lonsdale Bowling Club. The February market went well.

Coming events: We may need help for the DSA BBQ in March. See Heather Willson if you can help with the Duck Race.

Plus Four Auto in Ocean Grove is offering members a discount.

We are looking to donate towards the devastation in Turkiye and Syria through RAWCS.

### 100 Trees Maintenance Roster

#### January

Andy McKoy (leader) - Geoff Chandler, Tony Haines, Andrea Tierney, Kath Venters.

#### February

Pearl Macmillan (leader) - Marg Campbell, John Paton, Peter Cullen, Alison George.

#### March

Adrian Schmidt (leader), Beth Eustace, Jenny Wright, John Karis, Greg Leece.

#### April

Warren Chapman (leader), Heather Willson, Delia Naumann, Judy and Rod Greer.

#### May

Noel Emselle (leader), Meredith O'Neill, Lynne Carlson, Alex Magee, Anne Hodgkinson, Frank Rice.

#### June

Andy McKoy (leader), Jenny Templeton, Neil Templeton, Sue Hill, Lisa and Harry Hanley.



**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, Wish Fish, OG Hardware, OG NewsXPress, Pavilion Property, Ocean Eyes, OG Super Toys, Covenant Wine Bar, Roche Accounting, Bakers Delight

