

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

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Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter Thanker	Assistant Cashier	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday Mar 22nd	Kate Halfpenny	Lyndy Stagg	Jenny Templeton	Adrian Schmidt	Peter Cowburn.	Neil & Jenny Templeton 25/3, Jeff Stagg 26/3
Tuesday Mar 29th	Leanne Watson	Jenny Wright	John Paton	Chris Watson	Ron Ayers	30/3 Coral Barker, 2/4 Harry Hanley.
Tuesday Apr 5th	John Oswald and Lucy (Lese Oaia) PNG.	David Larkin	Graeme Batouney	Rod Birrell	Noel Emselle	8/4 Martin Geerings, 9/4 Gordon King, 10/4 Jo & Peter Hawthorne.

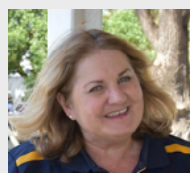
Our Club

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

Theme: Rotary Awareness -
Vocational Service

Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:

21 March - Graeme Batrouney

4 April - Rod Birrell

Past bulletins

- Available from our website (rotaryoceangrove.org.au) via the 'Our Club' menu.

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

Members: Coming Events:

* Kate Halfpenny

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.

Report of Meeting: 15/3/2022

Visitors: Helen and Richard Trigg. Both past members, Helen, OAM and PDG.

President's Report: Alan Keyse.

Coffee pods will be collected at next market for recycling.

Duck Race will be run on Easter Saturday.

Expressions of interest in First Aid Training will be called for at next meeting.

The gold coin collection at the Easter Monday market will be given to flood relief.

It was suggested that we have a guest speaker only once every three weeks with fellowship and 'three on me' speakers in the other weeks.

April 19th will be a Pie Night, please come in your favourite footy colours.

Positions Vacant: An assistant for Coog is needed. Xenia Williamson will be Chair of the Vocational Committee.

Reports

Heather Willson, Duck Race - This will be held on the 16th April, 2022 from Barwon Heads Bridge starting at 10.30 am. Help will be needed. There is \$2,000 in prizes. The Club will receive 40% of the surplus, the remainder going to Barwon Heads organisations, the Primary School, the Scouts and the B.H. Association.

Membership - despite several resignations and deaths, it remains steady at 60 people.

Wisdom for the week

Never give up on a dream just because of the time it will take to accomplish it. Time will pass anyway (Earl Nightingale).

“Letter words” - with new definitions. O

Old Age - A very high price to pay for maturity; Not so bad when you consider the alternatives; Always fifteen years older than I am.

Optimist - A person who starts a crossword puzzle with a fountain pen.

Originality - The fine art of remembering what you heard, but forgetting where you heard it.

One liners

- * Keep the dream alive. Hit the snooze button.
- * The other day I asked the banker to check my balance, so she pushed me.
- * I went to buy camouflage trousers, but I couldn't find any.
- * Alright lads, a giant fly is attacking the police station. I called the SWAT team.
- * Why did the scarecrow win an award? He was outstanding in his field.

Links

Rotary International:

www.rotary.org

Rotary District 9780:

www.rotary9780.org

Rotary Foundation:

www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au

Footy Tipping

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.

Serve to change lives

Publicity, Kath Venters - please share information on the webpage with others in the community. Past Annual Reports are now available on the webpage.

Vocational Committee - more nominations for the Awards needed. They are closing soon.

Art Committee, Rod Bush - pre-loved art sale will be held at the April 3rd Market.

Footy Tipping, Janet Alexander - 29 people have joined in this year, more welcome. Competition starts Thursday night.

D.I.K., Rod Greer - Rod and Judy Greer are going to Melbourne for a visit from PDG Senaka Arathusingha, RC of Columbo, Sri Lanka. Senaka was RCRP's contact in Sri Lanka and made it possible for us to send playgrounds and to have them rebuilt in areas of need. He is visiting Australia and will be in Melbourne on May 2nd. He will be meeting with several Rotarians who have been involved in RORP and would be happy to meet with others who are interested in the program and its success. If anyone would like to join Judy and Rod then please let him know asap to add to the attendees.

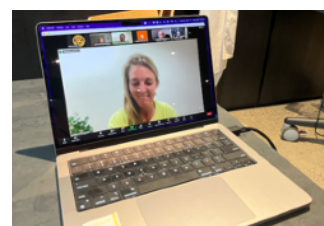
DIK Geelong potential visit. If anyone would like to visit DIK please let Rod know this week. If there is enough interest, we will organise a visit.

District Conference, Gill Morgan - will be held in Port Fairy this weekend. Six people are attending.

Environment, Pearl Macmillan - Tree planting will be on the 7th May near Wallington Road.

Guest Speaker, Stephanie Wollard, Seven Women Project in Nepal, via Zoom.

Stephanie acknowledged Lyndy Stagg's support and Lyndy reported on the class visit she organised to Nepal when she was a teacher in Melbourne.



Stephanie spoke about the difficulties of setting up her project with the women due to the language difficulties. She had discovered disabled women making candles in a tin shed while on a personal visit to Nepal. Candles were needed because of the frequent power cuts. These women were severely discriminated against because they were disabled. Stephanie began to think about ways she could help draw these women into society where their contribution could be valued.

The Rotary Club of Ivanhoe helped pay for trainers for the women and to provide equipment. It was hoped that through the sale of their products, their lives and

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circumstances could be changed. They learnt many lessons during the journey. The initial products being made were not suitable to Australian tastes. At first, the aim was to only help the seven women in the shed but many others wanted to join. Discrimination against disabled women was wide spread in Nepal. They were able to overcome the challenges and over 15 years 6,000 women have been helped. The women are taught literacy and numeracy and children are being sponsored to go to school.



Stephanie takes tour groups to Nepal which have been great fundraisers. Participants have cooking classes and stay in guest houses run by the project. They have produced a book, From a Tin Shed to the United Nations, which has spread information about the project, its' hopes, beliefs and outcomes, throughout the world. The scholarship program to educate women and children has resulted great differences in the lives of disadvantaged Nepalese women whose plight was discovered almost by accident.

Stephanie's belief and enthusiasm has sustained the project and it has adapted to become self sustaining. They have overcome difficulties associated with poverty, terrain, communication and fear. Children needing assistance are found through liaison with teachers and the Government, although this can be difficult as officials are often suspicious of their motives. The book can be purchased through the Seven Women website.



Next Weeks Speaker: Kate Halfpenny

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