

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE
Serving the Southern Bellarine

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Meeting Roster

Date	Topic	Chairperson	Greeter/Thanker	Happy/Sad \$	Raffle	Birthdays/Anniversaries
Dec 2nd	Queenscliff Coastguard; visit dinner at the Esplanade Hotel in Queenscliff.	-	-	-	-	4/12 Penny Broome; Andrea & Paul Tierney, 6/12 Judy Greer, 7/12 Ann Hodgkinson
Dec 9th	Robyn Spry - Birds of the Bellarine	Noel Emselle	Lyndy Stagg	Rod Birrell	Peter Hawthorne	11/12 Jim Ricchini,
Dec 16th	Xmas dinner - Barwon Heads G Club	-	-	-	-	-



Our Club



President - Lyndy Stagg

Secretary - Rod Bush

Meetings: We meet each Tuesday night at the Ocean Grove Bowling Club - 6:00 for 6:30pm. Visitors welcome !



Wisdom quote

Life is like looking for your lost phone. Most of the time it's in your hands.

Links

- Our Club Website:** rotaryoceangrove.org.au
- 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

Member Activities - Please check your allocation and inform the appropriate person if you cannot make it.

Rosters: Contact **Delia Naumann**

Lookout Maintenance Roster:

7 Dec Sue Hill
18 January David Larkin 1 Feb John Paton

100 Trees Maintenance Roster:

November. Leader: Beth Eustace - Geoff Chandler, Sue Hill, Janet Alexander, Alan Keyse, Lynne Carlson
December. Leader: Andy McKoy - Noel Emselle, Rod & Judy Greer, John Paton
February. Leader: Neil Templeton - Jenny Templeton, Kath Venters

Information:

Meeting enquiries or Apologies; Rod Bush - 0410 471 005

Monthly Theme: September is *Economic and Community Development* Month.

Past bulletins

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

Activity Contacts:

Market: 0401 606 036 **Art Show:** 0410 471 005

Members receive an email each week asking about your attendance at the next meeting
- please respond when you get it

Meeting - Nov 25th**President's report:**

We have two Rotary Fundraising activities occurring in the coming weeks.

- Donations to **Rotary International Giving Tuesday 2nd December** - can be made using this link: <https://my.rotary.org/en/giving-tuesday>

- This World Human Rights Day (10th December) all Rotarians and Rotary clubs across District 9780 can act by taking part in the **ShelterBox Australia Giving Day District Challenge**.

The challenge is simple! We encourage all our clubs and individual members across District 9780 to support the ShelterBox Giving Day. Donations will be matched in kind. No matter how large or small, every donation makes a difference in providing shelter to people worldwide. Link: [District 9780 • Giving Day 2025](#)



- 25/11/2025 marks the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and the launch of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence. Lyndy encourages visiting the UN Women's website to learn how to take action and support those affected by gender-based violence. Use the # noexcuse.
- **Rotary South Pacific** – new leaders to guide us through the next stage of the regional pilot.
Council Chair - Jenny Herring
Learning and Development Officer - Liz Courtney
Fundraising partnership and grant director is - Peter Rogers
The membership director is yet to be announced.
- **Camp Quality** is on this Friday 28/11/2025 at 4pm Bellarine Holiday Park at Marcus Hill
- **Ocean Grove SLSC** – has started patrols last weekend. Lyndy thanked on our behalf, the 8 members who undertook the after hours, nighttime rescue of three people, including water revival operating in cold, low visible conditions and needing immediate medical care from a capsized, overturned boat at Barwon Heads.
- **2/12/2025 Tuesday** - vocational visit to the **Coast Guard in Queenscliff** – Dinner will be at the newly renovated **Esplanade Hotel**. We have booked 3 tables of 10. A Jot Form will be sent out about this closer to the date with more info.

Guest Speaker: Robyn Spry - Birds of he Bellarine.

Robyn shared her experiences and observations of various bird species, particularly those seen around Lake Victoria and other locations. She described the courtship behaviour of a white-headed stilt, the migration patterns of the banded stilt, and the unique features of the red-necked avocet and banded stilt. She also recounted sightings of rare birds like the gray falcon, blue-winged parrot, and powerful owl, and detailed her adventures in finding these birds. The speaker emphasized the importance of patience and preparation in bird watching and concluded with a story about spotting the Western yellow robin and rock parrot in South Australia.

Robyn showed us several amazing images .



Robyn Spry



Lyndy thanking Robyn

Reports:

- **Art show committee (Rod Bush)** – we will be giving at least \$4000 to the two main groups and more to nominated charities. Many thanks for all on the committee and to members able to assist before, during and after the event.

The Art Show Committee held a very pleasant (and sumptuous) review meeting at Lisa & Harry’s farm



- **Treasurer (Lisa Hanley)** - The Market roster has been emailed. If you were on it last month you will be on this month. There are a couple of vacancies.
- Two Friends of Rotary will be helping with cooking so please make them welcome.
- We have too many cooks but need people for the gold coins - can any members swap over?
- There is a surf carnival so the Sunday market should be big.
- **Community Service (Jenny Templeton)** - Roster for “Xmas in the grove” – rosters prepared (see later)

- **Public Image - Kath Venters:** Facebook posts have been successful. Kath is now doing an article for the Voice on the junior community awards. Shelter box giving day is on 10/12 /2025 for disaster aid. You can give now. They have a sponsor that will match \$ for \$ up to \$150,000. See Above for more info.
- **International Service (Graeme Batrouney; Pearl Macmillan):** Collected the foreign coins – we had 11.5 kilo of coins plus notes. They were delivered last week to the city. Beth Eustace thanked Kath V on behalf of the complete for her work promoting Shelterbox.

Christmas in the Grove Event 03/12/2025 - more information.

- **Beth E** will be organising the event in Jenny's absence.

Times -

Setting up - 4.15 until 5pm. Event- 5pm until 8pm Clearing up - 8pm until 8.30 pm

Allocated tasks -

1. **Rod Birrell** to collect one table, some chairs and sandbag weights from BBQ trailer and deliver to the site in front of Cole's around 4.15pm. **Janet A** will assist with set up.

Rod Birrell to pickup the same goods at 8pm.

2. **Lisa Hanley** will deliver Cornhole units and bean bags at 4.15pm, and arrange removal at 8pm.

Lisa will explain the rules to the other volunteers.

Lisa will also bring the microphone unit and set it up and bring Rotary tablecloth from BBQ trailer.

1. **Beth Eustace** will provide a card table to display Rotary leaflets, and candy canes for prizes.
2. **Pearl M** will collect 2 banners after the club meeting on the 2nd Dec plus 2 chairs from home. Then remove and return the banners at the end.
3. **Heather W** will provide colouring pencils and pens, coloring sheets, etc for the colouring in table. Also some Santa hats for volunteers.
4. Marg Campbell to bring Connect 4 game.
5. **Rod Birrell** and **Rod Greer** will act as spruikers to bring in the crowds.
6. Publicity.- **Kath Venters** will advertise the event on social media and will incorporate the publicity organised by Ocean Grove Business Group.

Volunteer Roster for the night

5pm-6.30pm **Frank Rice. Paul Brewster. Meredith O'N John K Marion W Andy McK Lisa H. Kath V**

6.30pm-8pm **Linh P Lyndy S. Jenny W**

5pm- 8pm **Rod G. Judy G. Pearl M. Heather W. Beth E**

Any further assistance would be appreciated.

If you are unable to fulfil your listed task, please contact Beth E as soon as possible.

Some important dates/activities for your calendar.

Join us for
**Together We Can:
 Collective Conversations
 this 16 Days of Activism.**

Hear from special guest speakers, grass roots initiatives and take part in interactive sessions around challenging rigid gender norms, fostering positive expressions of masculinity and strengthening community connection and action across the places we live, work, learn, play and socialise.

This free community event is open to everyone – whether your part of a workplace, school, sporting club or local community group register now to be part of the conversation.

**Tuesday 2 December 2025
 9am – 1pm
 GMHBA Stadium
 Free community event**

Register here:
events.humanitix.com/together-we-can-collective-conversations-this-16-days-of-activism

Rotary Highton Celebrating 50 years of Service to our Community

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US AS WE

CELEBRATE!

OUR 50th ANNIVERSARY & CHRISTMAS 2025

\$40 PER PERSON FOR A 2 COURSE MEAL

The Grovedale Hotel,
 Surfcoast Highway, Grovedale

Join us as we look back on 50 years of service, meet up with current and past members, plus enjoy a bonus Christmas Party!

THURSDAY 11 DECEMBER 2025

6PM TIL 9 PM

Registrations Close on Friday 28th November 2025

www.trybooking.com/DHFKW

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16 DAYS OF ACTIVISM TO END GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 23RD
 9AM @ FAIRNIE PARK, GEELONG WATERFRONT
 JOIN US AT EASTERN BEACH POOL TO WALK IN SOLIDARITY AGAINST FAMILY VIOLENCE TO THE EVENT
 DON'T FORGET TO WEAR SOMETHING ORANGE!

GUEST SPEAKER JACQUIE O'BRIEN, RESPECT VICTORIA
 A PERFORMANCE FROM THE WONDROUS MERRY SINGING GROUP
 FOLLOWED BY AN OUTDOOR YIN STYLE YOGA CLASS
 BYO YOGA MAT
FREE EVENT!!!
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Save the Date!

Soroptimist International of Geelong invite you to attend its annual

International Women's Day Breakfast

Our special guest speaker is Kjshak Akec, a young award-winning storyteller of South Sudanese origin.

GMHBA Stadium Geelong **5 March 2026**
 7.00 am to 8.30 am

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Why we still read Newspapers:

Hospitals resort to hiring doctors

PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE PROMPTING MOVE, ADMINISTRATORS SAY

LOCAL 131

Man with 8 DUIs blames drinking problem



Meeting on open meetings is closed

Man Accused of Killing Lawyer Receives a New Attorney

By Scott Slavovick

Worker suffers leg pain after crane drops 800-pound ball on his head

CHARLESTON (AP) — The state Division of Highways granted contracts to a

Bridges help people cross rivers

By MICHELLE DUNN

City unsure why the sewer smells

By KRISTIN HAY

ON TEENAGERS, ADULTS:

Statistics show that teen pregnancy drops off significantly after age 25.

Mary Anne Tolson, Republican state senator from Colorado Springs (contributed by Harry F. Puntec)

MONDAY DECEMBER 1999

Marijuana issue sent to a joint committee

The Toronto Star 06/14/96

Puerto Rican teen named mistress of the universe



Las Vegas — An 18-year-old smiling Puerto Rican teen, who hopes to compete the first U.S. winner of the Miss Universe title, was crowned Miss Universe 2004.

Barbershop singers bring joy to school for deaf



Homicide victims rarely talk to police

REGION

17 REMAIN DEAD IN MORGUE SHOOTING SPREE

Microsoft breakup won't be pursued

THE NEWS OBSERVER

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Federal Agents Raid Gun Shop, Find Weapons

Store Owner Arrested Previously

By Brian Barber