

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



Inc. Assn. A 0013584 X



ABN: 13 501 173 192

Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter Thanker	Assistant Cashier	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday Feb 22nd	John Calnin Retirement; Fellowship	Coral Barker				Lorraine Batrouney 20/2; Geoff Chandler 21/2; Paul Tierney 24/2
Tuesday Mar 1st	Carol Corby - Geelong Rainbow Inc.					John Paton 28/2; Pam Haines 3/3
Tuesday Mar 8th						

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.

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:

26 Feb - Meredith O'Neill
12 Mar - John Paton

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:

- Stephanie Woolard OAM - March 15th via ZOOM

President : Alan Keyse

Alan attended the District Presidents meeting, but there was not a lot to report.

One Club in the District is struggling, and they are looking at ways to attract members, including having a workshop. The club might fold if this is unsuccessful.

There was a guest Speaker from a group based in Ballarat called Shannon's Bridge. They assist people needing palliative care. They could perhaps come as a Speaker for our club. Rod Greer stated that there is a similar group in Ocean Grove whom we could contact.

Conference: There are 5 members currently booked for the conference in Port Fairy.

Board Meeting

Alan reported on the Board meeting which had been held on Monday 14th February.

Camp Quality - this charity gives kids facing cancer a chance to be kids again. We have

agreed to provide a Dinner for them on the 1st April, using our BBQ trailer.

- We are flush with funds so are looking for recommendations for charities to benefit.

- The Art Show Funding was approved.

- The Market BBQ run by David Larkin and team, has raised \$4500 to date. There will be a final raffle at the Easter Market when the winner will be drawn. There will be no bbq raffle for the rest of the year.

- Environment group - the 100 trees report was approved. The use of an Aboriginal name for the site was approved.

Wisdom for the week

Choose the non-emotional response to any given situation and see how much easier your life becomes

“Letter words” - with new definitions. K

Kiss: a word invented by poets to rhyme with bliss.

Kill: create a vacancy without nominating a successor.

Kily: A costume sometimes worn by Scotsmen in America and Americans in Scotland.

One liners

- My father has schizophrenia, but he's good people.
- A termite walks into the bar and asks, 'Is the bar tender here?'
- A told my girlfriend she drew her eyebrows too high. She seemed surprised.

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.

Positions Vacant

- Market: Adrian needs someone to help with the Market, with the view to taking over the management next year.
- Duck Race: Heather needs someone to shadow her this year with a view to taking over next year.
- Speaker Program: Andrea would like someone to take over this program. Speakers have been booked until the end of April.
- President Elect- Peter Cowburn has resigned from the Board, so we are seeking a new President Elect for 2021-2022.

Reports

Environment - Pearl Macmillan

- The White Mangrove Experience Project is still in hand.
- The Environment team is now organizing the planting of the 100 trees to mark the anniversary of 100 Years of Rotary in Australia. With help of two experts, the team have assessed the soil situation at the site on Wallington Road and decided to plant 4 different Eucalyptus species, to suit the different soil types. Planting will take place at the end of April/ beginning of May depending on the weather. We will need a team of 20 volunteers to carry out the planting on the day.



- There will be plaques designed to explain the project, and we hope eventually to have a small car park and road signs indicating the area. This will involve working with COGG. We have qualified for a District matching grant for this project.
- There is a Wetlands area adjacent to the tree planting area, and the team plan to develop a wetlands experience boardwalk across to the white mangroves and eventually tie up with white mangroves experience at the edge of OG golf course. These are long term plans but they align with an initiative by the Andrews Government to protect the Barwon River and other iconic waterways in the region through the Barre Warre Yulluk Action Plan. Lisa Neville, as Minister for Water has released a new plan identifying actions to be taken. We hope to be able to talk to Lisa to see if our projects could be incorporated into the plan. This will be a very expensive project so we will need funding from the Council and Government if it is to succeed.
- We are still collecting bottle tops for recycling.

Footy Tipping: Janet Alexander. This will start next week. New participants welcome. Good wine as prizes. Cost will be \$50, cash only, to be collected at next week's meeting. Last year the footy tipping made a donation to club funds.

Social Committee: Janet Alexander. Next event - Wine Tasting with accompanying cheeses. Venue - Barwon Heads Community Hall, on Friday 4th March at 7-9pm. This is being organized by Ann Hodgkinson's son-in-law Tom Van Ettan who is donating all the wines. There will be a small donation of \$15 required to cover the cost of the hall and the cheeses. Partners and friends welcome.

Community Service Awards

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Rotary Club of Ocean Grove and the



Other sponsors:

Apprentice/Trainee of the Year



Liberton Corriedales

Small Business Excellence



Team Member of the Year



Wairn Ponds

Volunteer Organisation of the Year



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BBQ report: Graeme Chamberlain. Wal Kelly has had a bad fall, and has hurt his head and knee and broken his wrist. We wish him speedy recovery. Graeme is looking for someone to take over his role with the bbq - buying sausages etc. So far we have cooked 11,660 sausages.

Anzac Day Breakfast. Coral Barker is organizing the Anzac Day Breakfast. Peter Cowburn will pick up the BBQ trailer and park it at Andrea's house overnight. Coral is seeking volunteers to cook and serve. It is a 5am start. There was a good response from the members at the meeting.

Judy and Rod Greer serve the coffee. They need volunteers to help on the day, and then be able to take over next year.

Club Assembly. The members had a breakout session into their various committee groups to prepare their report for the rest of the club members.

Committee Reports

Art Show: Rod Bush-

1. They are seeking to update their signage.
2. The committee will be involved in a presentation of John Calnin next week to mark his retirement from Rotary.
3. The sponsors from 2021 have all indicated that they will continue support for 2022. Currently the funds are split 25% each to RDA and DSA, with 50% to 'member proposed' charities. Perhaps there could be a third charity nominated, then have 25% for 'member proposed' charities.
4. Preloved Art Sale. Booked for 2/3 April in the Pavilion, Ocean Grove. Entry Forms and brochures will be distributed at the next Market as well as posting on the Web page and Facebook site. The same entry system will be used as for the November Art Show. The club will receive a percentage of the selling price.

International: Graeme Batrouney reported that they had achieved agreement for all their budgets. The main emphasis was on education and bringing a better life and outcome to the lives of young children.

- The Cambodian Project in conjunction with the RC of Highton awarded two scholarships for 12 months at Battambang Teachers College. Cost \$2000.
 - Bali Smiles Project supported 5 students at Munti Junior High School, and 1 student attending Kota Junior High for 12 months. Cost \$2000.
 - Seven Women Nepal.- we are sponsoring Children's Scholarship Program for 8 students in rural areas for 12 months. Cost \$2000.
 - Operation Cleft. Paid for 6 operations for children in Bangladesh. Cost \$2100.
 - Shelter Box - \$3000 donated
 - DIK- \$3000 donated
- On 15th March we will have an international speaker on Zoom.

Youth services: Tony Haines reported that they are working on the Junior Community Awards. Currently making contact with Year 6 students - meeting with children, teachers and parents to work out what they are going to do.

Vocational: Lynne Carlson reported that all nomination forms for the Community Service Awards are available on line. there are also hard copies available at the following :- Barwon Heads: - Bendigo Bank Barwon Heads, BH Pharmacy, and BH Post Office. Ocean Grove: - Driftwood Cafe, NewsXpress, and Rolling Pin OG Industrial Estate. Point Lonsdale: - 1 Cheshunt Street; Queenscliff: - Borough of Queenscliff Offices

Entries close on 15th March. The Awards Night to be held on 17th May 2022.

Anzac Day drop off to veterans will take place on Sunday 24th April.

New project - erecting a fence for the "artskool" using a \$600 donation from the Art Show committee. Peter Cullen is pricing fencing materials and experienced volunteers will build the fence.

Community Service: Gordon King reported that due to Covid there had been no meetings with the Council. 1. OG Entry Identification- guidelines have been drafted and are now subject to internal review within COGG. There is a new contact person now. Ocean Grove is noted to receive funding for the roll out of Township signage in Greater Geelong.

2. Grubb Road Verge Cleanup/ Adopt a Roadside - CoGG had reportedly cleaned up the verge. This isn't the case. There may be a public campaign to ensure that the area is cleaned up. After further meetings it is hoped that this will be addressed.

3. Lookout Reserve- hopefully discussions will be reopened regarding the master plan. The Council have repaired the damage to the masonry walls which Rotary had erected.

4. R100 - the tree planting project has been transferred to the Environment team.

5. Shell Road Flagpoles - the stickers recognizing Rotary's involvement have been installed on the flagpoles.

Raffle won by Coog (Graeme Chamberlain)

Next week: tribute and presentation to John Calnin who is retiring from the club. Wal Kelly, Trevor McArdle, John Wynn and their wives will be in attendance.



Those who think that the COVID-19 vaccine will modify their DNA should see it as an opportunity.

Here's a very appropriate analogy:

"The curve is flattening; we can start lifting restrictions now" = "The parachute has slowed our rate of descent; we can take it off now."

IF YOU STILL WON'T WEAR A MASK BECAUSE YOU BELIEVE IT WILL BLOCK THE OXYGEN TO YOUR BRAIN - DON'T WORRY, THAT SHIP HAS ALREADY SAILED

Before we work on Artificial Intelligence...

Why don't we do something about Natural Stupidity?

My wife yelled from upstairs and asked, "Do you ever get a shooting pain across your body, like someone's got a voodoo doll of you and they're stabbing it?"

I replied "No..."

She responded: "How about now?"



Waiter: "How do you like your steak, sir?"

Sir: "Like winning an argument with my wife."

Waiter: "Rare it is!"

It's my wife's birthday tomorrow, she's been leaving jewellery catalogues all over the house, so I've bought her a magazine rack

ME: ALEXA, REMIND ME TO GO TO THE GYM.

ALEXA: I HAVE ADDED GIN TO YOUR SHOPPING LIST.

ME: CLOSE ENOUGH.