

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
August 12th	Share Aid - Terri Powell	Peter Cullen	John Paton	Paul Brewster	Marg Campbell	12/8 Beth Eustace;
August 19th	Footy Night	Graeme Chamberlain	N/A	Greg Leece	Noel Emselle	16/8 Delia Naumann, 18/8 Geoff Chandler, Nick and Helen Lascaris
Aug 26th	Ocean Minds - Ben Wilkinson	Nick Lascaris	Lisa Hanley	Adrian Schmidt	Lynne Carlson	22/8 Judy & Rod Greer, 23/8 Trish Emselle, 24/8 Jenny Schmidt, 26/8 Marg & Hamish Campbell



Our Club



President - Lyndy Stagg

Secretary - Rod Bush

Meetings: We meet each Tuesday night at the Ocean Grove Bowling Club - 5:30 for 6pm. Visitors welcome !



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:

TBA

100 Trees Maintenance Roster: Aug 2025 – Feb 2026

- August. Leader:** Delia - Andrea Tierney, John Paton,
- September. Leader:** Peter Cullen, - Marg Campbell, Pearl MacMillan
- October. Leader:** Rod Birrell - Penny Broome, Lisa Hanley, Tony Haines
- 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: August is *Economic & 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**

Wisdom quote

Being old is when you don't care where your spouse goes, just as long as you don't have to go too.

Meeting - August 5th

President's Report:



- 4th to the 10th of August is **Homelessness Week**
The stats - 122,000 Aus are homeless on any given night. Women 55+ are the fastest growing group - domestic violence is the leading cause; 37% are under 25
Urgent need for action and community understanding.

We need a focussed plan to end homelessness:

- 1) Increase funding
- 2) Increase social housing
- 3) Provide better income support

- **We need to be bold, constructive, energetic, positive, and enthusiastic Rotarians**
Engage with the community; Invite others to join you in activities. Word of mouth is a powerful for our club.
Be open to different perspectives; Spark new ideas Celebrate new ideas
And importantly, have fun!

By doing this we are not only strengthening our club, but we deepen our impact. Keep the spirit alive.

- **Ocean Grove Terrace chemist** – has participated in our blister pack collections – this has increased his foot traffic. He is keen to join in some joint sponsorship.

If you know of any other potential partnerships ideas let the board know

• **Vocational report**

Two options

- 1) The Vocational Service Committee continues a small, separate committee with fewer responsibilities and a smaller budget.
 - They will work cooperatively with other service committees and the president of funding some joint projects,
 - They will take on a new responsibility for volunteer networks and skill development,
 - A new title for this committee, as vocational learning and development can be considered
- 2) The vocational committee disband as a separate committee, and its work is integrated with the other service committees.

So, one major outcome was a suggestion to provide funding for scholarships at entry level training programs and to work in partnership with the other service committees and community groups in providing funding to support training in areas that had been identified as important in our community.

For example, it was proposed that we provide funding one or two scholarships for individuals to undertake the certificate three in individual support, a nationally accredited entry level qualification for the health and aged care sector

People interested in taking this on please see Lyndy.

Club Reports;

OG Surf Club Bunnings BBQ – only three offers. Others are welcome/needed

GDFL Footy Gates: Rod Greer will have a roster ready for our meeting next week so please check your calendars and help out where you can. The money raised goes into our Admin fund to assist in keeping member fees at a minimum as well as cover assorted fees/dues etc.



• All of our members who are sunning themselves in Northern climes can add their names this way - as can spouses/friends who may be able to help.

Andrea's request for the Salvos Outreach Van: This winter has been a cold one, last Friday night was a particularly cold night. We have decided to stock the van with Thermal Rescue Blankets - they coast \$4 each. These are windproof, waterproof and warm. Members at the meeting were asked if they would be able to support this venture - and we received around \$370 ! Amazing.



Andrea will keep some in the Van and Maz will take some to be used at **Lazarus Community Centre in Geelong** for the homeless people who visit there.

Well done Andrea (and her daughter for suggesting it)! Such a simple idea, but so effective.

RC North Bellarine do great work supporting a program called **RYDA** (Road Safety Education Workshop) It provides school children with introductory driving experiences as well as instruction about potential pitfalls involved with inappropriate actions while driving.

They need to 6 people to support the people delivering the program - but currently only have 4 available - s the warmer northern climate has called quite of their members - as it has with ours!



They are seeking our support to fill the other two spots.

The session is on next **Monday August 11 at Deakin University** from 8:45 until around 2:30 Morning tea and lunch is provided.

If you can see your way clear to help out here, it would be much appreciated. Please call **Terry Baker (0411 452 509)** for more information.

Presenters:

Community Service - Jenny Templeton - Suggestions and continuation

- How will they provide support?
 - Supporting individuals, we know about
 - Supporting individuals, we don't know about
 - In - kind support or financial support
- Want hands on projects
 - Rail trail planning and seats
 - Tree planning
 - BBQ provision at the soccer club



- Kinship carers
 - 200 children, 65 families, assessed by the state – the State ask grandparents, aunties etc to look after them
 - They get no financial support – request for odd jobs but not required at the present.
 - Request of for dry goods for emergency supplies cupboard
 - Sporting memberships and gear
- Continuing activities
 - Veteran’s packages
 - Blister pack recycling
 - Salvo’s outreach van support
 - Feed me Bellarine support – some equipment
 - Friday night youth group support
- Other partnerships and projects being investigated.



Environmental Service - Delia Naumann

Ocean Grove Lookout

- Meeting is to be held with Bellarine catchment Network to review their proposal which exceeds the \$4000 received from Barwon Water. Once done, meeting will be organised with Geelong Council. This must be completed in 2025

White Mangrove Experience Project

- Noel proposes to follow up the issues encountered with Geelong Council

Viewing platform at Ocean Grove Lookout

- Noel is also going to follow up this proposal with the Geelong council

The main focus on the last meeting was on developing new “major” projects which would highlight Rotary and the commitment to the environment.

- It was suggested that we approach the Geelong Council to see if they could identify any projects that Rotary could become involved with including Barwon Heads and Wallington.

Bellarine Catchment Network

- RCOG continues their association with this organisation

RI want to appoint an environment champion to lead and promote sustainable living and protecting our environment

- we are well ahead in this

Want more hands-on work

- Like Clean up Australia day in March,
- Roadside clean ups,
- beach clean ups,
- Friends of Rail Trail (planting trees)
- Install more seats from the Men’s Shed along the trail.



Delia and Jenny exchanging details for the bulletin.

Foundation - Alison George

Rotary's own charity (100 years old). Corporations, Philanthropists and individuals raise money for sustainable projects worldwide e.g. polio plus, Rotary against malaria, clean water, and growing local communities.

We need more people supporting the foundation eg as a Centurion (\$100 pa), or as Paul Harris Society members (\$1000US pa). There are seven in this club. It's important to remember that our District Grants come from these funds.

Secretary: Rod Bush:

- New lights have been installed in the meeting room - great improvement. As is the lecture light.
- Bendigo Bank – we have made a grant application for the art show.
- Released the art show entry forms on Sunday - Have received 8 entries already



Alison George

Treasurer: Lisa Hanley: You will have received an invoice for the annual club fee. Please pay promptly.

If you did not get the invoice let me know.

Footy Tipping - Greg Leece: Alison and Rod got 9, but Rod had the best margin. Leader is Coogs, Frank is on the bottom.

Pearl Macmillan: Foreign coins collected for last year was returned us \$632. It was given to **Rotary against Malaria**. Please bring in your foreign coins if you have them. Bendigo Bank (Leopold) has also asked for a Rotary collection box.

Revegetation works: Kath Venters showed/distributed a poster entitled '**Transform**'. It deals to activities our Community/Environment group will be involved with working alongside the **Barwon Catchment Network**.

We see this as a great opportunity to involve others in our work and ask that you bring this to the attention of friends/family who may like to be involved

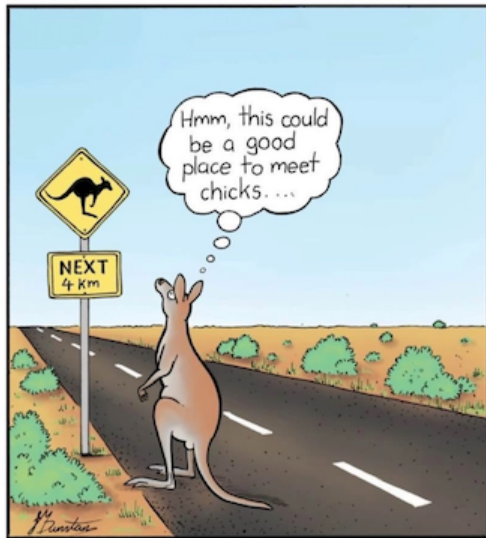




AI image of the week - Who is it ?

THERE ARE SO MANY SCAMS ON THE INTERNET NOW A DAYS.
SEND ME \$19.95 AND I WILL TELL YOU HOW TO AVOID THEM.

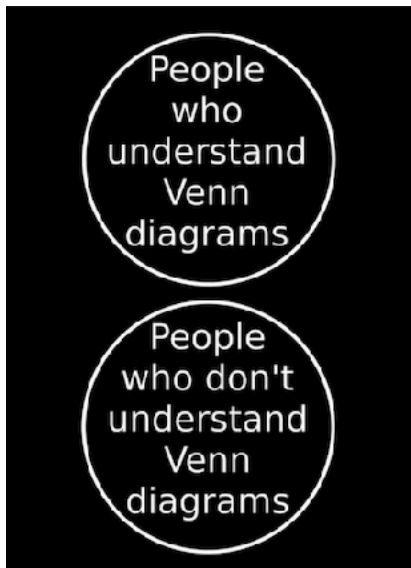
When I complained to Amazon about a missing parcel they asked me to send photographic evidence.



Have you ever noticed that all instruments searching for intelligent life...



Are pointed away from Earth



Remember when people had diaries and got mad when someone read them? Now they put everything online and get mad when people don't!

If you love someone, set them free.
If they come back, it means nobody else like them. Set them free again.

