

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

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Meeting Roster



	Guest speaker	Chair	Greeter/ Assist. Sgt.	Thanker/ Asst. Cshr.	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
25-Aug	Vanuatu Project. Alan and Shirley from RC of Woodend.	Gil Morgan.		Graeme Batrouney.		26/8 Marg & Hamish Campbell, 29/8 Hazel Ford, 31/8 Meridith & Shane O'Neill.
1-Sep	Stroke Safe. Kevin English.			Adrian Schmidt.		2/9 Rod & Patsy Bush, 4/9 Sandie Chamberlain, 5/9 Lynne Carlson, 8/9 Martin Geerings

Our Club

President: Gillian Morgan

Secretary: Pearl Macmillan

Where: We (usually) meet each Tuesday at the **Ocean Grove Bowling Club:**

18 The Terrace, Ocean Grove, 3226

When: 6pm for 6:30pm

Visitors are Welcome

Apologies: 0457 315 900

Web: rotaryoceangrove.org.au

During the COVID 19 crisis, we meet via ZOOM on Tuesdays at 7pm.

Theme: Membership & New Club Development Month

Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:

22/08/20 - 04/09/20 Geoff Brentnall

05/09/20 - 18/09/20 Rod/Judy Greer

19/09/20 - 02/09/20 Andy McKoy

03/10/20 - 16/10/20 Geoff Ford

Past bulletins

- Available from this website via the 'Our Club' menu.

Market contact: 0401 606 036

Art Show contact: 0417 319 465

Report of Meeting: 18Aug.

Members in attendance 37. This is the 24th meeting using Zoom.

President: Jan Chandler has been moved from intensive care to the general ward and is doing reasonably well. She has some fluid on her lung, which will be drained on Monday. Geoff is hoping she will come home later in the week.

- Hazel Ford is home and progressing slowly.
- The changes to the Constitution, By Laws and Rules as recorded on the website were briefly discussed.

Articles 1-18 are in line with Rotary International. Acceptance of these were Moved by Graeme Chamberlain and Seconded by John Paton. The motion was carried by members present.

Articles 19 – 36 are those affecting the Club and in line with Consumer Affairs requirements. It was moved by Rod Greer and seconded by Margaret Campbell that these be accepted. The motion was carried by members present.

Rod Greer, Tony Haines and Geoff Chandler were thanked for their diligence in finishing this task.

- The District Governor will attend the next board meeting. (Via Zoom.)

Community:

Gordon King. Installation of the water feature remains on the horizon. The Budget for 20/21 has been discussed. There will be a meeting next week to work on other projects.

Vocational: Lynne Carlson. The Community Service awards will continue hopefully with the sponsorship of organizations.

- Anzac Day distribution of packages from Driftwood will continue.

Members: Coming Events:

Saying of the week

If it doesn't challenge you it won't change you.

Humour

I wanted to name my son Lance, but my wife said it was too uncommon. I told her that in medieval days, people were named Lance a lot.

Links

Rotary International:

www.rotary.org

Rotary District 9780:

www.rotary9780.org

Footy Tipping

www.footytips.com.au

Please remember:

- APOLOGIES ARE NECESSARY! IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND A MEETING. THOSE WHO DO NOT CONFORM WILL BE SENT A BILL, AS THE CLUB HAS TO PAY IF NO APOLOGY IS REGISTERED.

Publicity: Xenia Williamson reminded members to give her any articles that could be published.

International: Graeme Batrouney Support of the Solmaid School in Bangladesh will continue until June 2021. The committee is hopeful another Club may take over our commitment.

- Vanuatu Project. This educational program is already underway in Vanuatu and several Australian Clubs are involved as is the Rotary Club of Santo Vanuatu. Guest speakers Shirley and Alan will present the project to members next week.

- Rod Greer reported that the relocation of Playgrounds has been very successful. 4 Containers have been sent overseas with another ready to go to Sri Lanka. Rod is involved with the management of the program in the Geelong district. There are 5 playgrounds earmarked by COGG and 1 in Pt. Lonsdale to be dismantled and dispatched.

This project now has over 30 Rotary Clubs involved.

- The 20/21 budgets have been discussed.

Speakers: Janet Alexander asked Committee 'bosses' to provide speakers if possible.

Footy Tipping: Corals son won round 11, Maz and Alison (Alive) won round 12. Geoff Ford remains the leader of our competition.

Car Raffle: There is no information about this major fundraiser for this year as yet.

Guest Speaker: John Paton. 'History of Veterinary Science – in brief.'

'Veterinarian is from the Latin word "veterinarius" meaning 'of or having to do with beasts of burden.' There are references in the Sumerian civilization around 8000BC to Doctors of Oxen or Asses as animals were starting to be domesticated for both food and farm work. Initially the profession in Europe and here, practice was centered on the horses needed by armies. The Australian Army contingent that went to South Africa in 1899 included 25 vets who were to tend 16,000 horses. There were 16,000 soldiers as well.

There were no vets on the first fleet, but some did come in the early 1800's. The first Australian Vet graduates came out of Sydney and Melbourne Universities in the 1890's.

After WWII, vets were focusing on livestock production and disease prevention. Many were employed by the dairy industry and the Department of Agriculture. Long hours were worked under often-primitive conditions with help from the farmer. Small animal practice only got going in the '50's and now follows very closely developments and specialization in virtually any field, from dentistry, animal behaviour, dermatology and single animal (rabbits, birds, Reptiles and pocket pets) conditions and needs.

There are Veterinary Schools in Sydney, Melbourne,

Wagga Wagga, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth, as well as Palmerston North in New Zealand. Each year there are over 1000 graduands each year.

When John graduated in 1972 Vet Science was considered a principally male profession, (only 7 women out of the 50 who enrolled in John's year were allowed), now the mix is approximately 95% women and 5% men. The effects of this balance is a shortage of large animal practice vets willing to work in rural areas and perhaps an oversupply in some capital cities. Part-time work does seem to be more common amongst current generations.

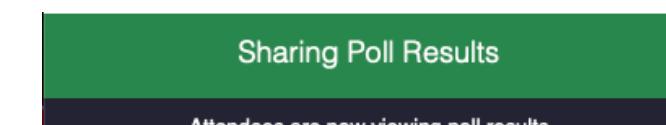
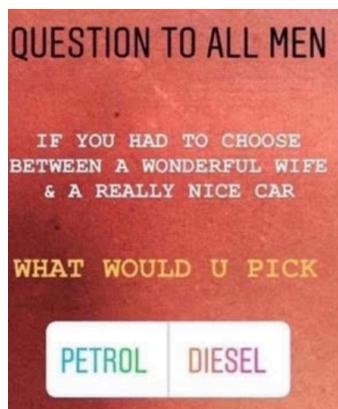
Remuneration for Vets is an ongoing issue. John explained that we should spare a thought for the vet caring for our animals as the fees charged cover time, staff wages, hospital care fees, laboratory and pharmacy fees, expensive equipment and diagnostic tests as well as safety measures and accommodation in a building. Remember Medicare does not subsidize the costs!

Recently there has been a marked increase in losses from suicide. This is 4 times the national average and one of the highest of all professions. This is related to the high stress level associated with young vets straight from graduation working in small animal practice without the benefit of postgraduate supervision or practice. There is also an increase in the numbers leaving the profession as stress levels, poor remuneration and long hours take their toll.

John has had a great life outside veterinary science. He has been a part-time farmer, is a father and has found time to be involved in the community in which he lives. He has been heavily involved in the 'Man from Snowy River Festival' in Corryong and here in the organization of 'Ride the Bellarine.' Pippa has been his great supporter in all of this.

John still does some locum work but restrictions with Co-vid 19 may bring on early retirement. He plans to do more bike riding along with a second knee replacement later this year. He and Pippa hope to meet their newest granddaughter in New Zealand. Hiking in fantastic places is also on the agenda. John believes that vets have a perspective in practice, as animals don't talk so they don't mislead you!

Thank you: A George



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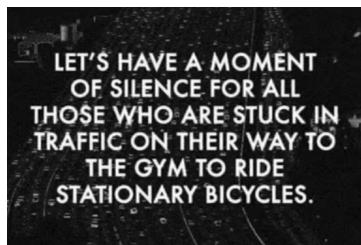
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2. Please indicate your acceptance (or otherwise) of the new ByLAws

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I see people around my age mountain climbing - meanwhile, I feel good getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance

