

ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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ABN: 13 501 173 192

Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter Thanker	Assistant Cashier	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday May 31st	Quiz/Game	David Larkin	Not required	Geoff Ford	Sue Hill	1/6 Wal Kelly, 4/6 Chris Watson, 5/6 David Larkin
Tuesday June 7th	Charlie El-Hage Indonesian project	Lisa Hanley	John Paton	Fred Andrews	Martin Geering	6/6 Neil & Jenny Templeton; 7/6 Gil Morgan, 11/6 Wilma Andrews
Tuesday June 14th	15 on me; John Karis and Sue Hill	Neil Templeton	Not required	Wal Kelly	Bill Walton	13/6 Lisa Hanley, 14/6 Marion Walton, 16/6 Jan Brentnall, Geoff Ford

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

Past bulletins

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

Market: 0401 606 036

Art Show: 0417 319 465.

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.

Coming Events:

30 May: Playground, Gane Reserve, Rod Greer

31 May: Music and Trivia Night, Partners Night, Janet Alexander

21 June: Change-over Dinner.

Rotary Convention - 2023 (Melbourne)

The website through which to register is:

rotarymelbourne2023.org

Although the site is live, the link to register won't appear until 9 June. The website also provides other information about Melbourne and will be continually updated.

Report of Meeting: 24/5/2022

President's Report: Alan Keyse

Congratulations and Well Done to Lynne Carlson and the Vocational Team for last Tuesday's Awards event.

Members attention is drawn to the email which Alan sent out regarding attitudes to food service and complaints procedures. He hopes this warning will not be needed again. The possibility of using meal monitors in the future is being considered. Rod Bush has included a reply aspect in the attendance form so you will know if your reply has been recorded. Failure to respond has been one of the main problems in the past. Plate warmers will be used in the future to prevent cold meals. Members should recognise that some comments are not acceptable today which would have been O.K. in the past.

John Wynn, one of our foundation members, has resigned. He will be offered an Honorary Life Time Membership.

Wisdom for the Week

Fool's ambition blinds his conscious whereas wise's only aim is goodness.
Maxime Lagace

"Letter words" - with new definitions. T

Telephone - An invention of the devil which abrogates some of the advantages of making a disagreeable person keep his distance.

Television - Where old movies go to die.

Temptation - An irresistible force at work on a moveable body.

Thinking - The hardest work there is, which is probably why so few engage in it.

One liners

- * The seven ages of man: spills, drills, thrills, bills, ills, pills and wills.
- * Work hard and save your money and when you are old you will be able to buy the things only the young can enjoy.
- * I don't care what you are good at, there is a 7-year-old kid on YouTube doing it better.
- * Children are the leading cause of old age.

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.

The Rotary International Convention will be held in Melbourne May 27th to 31st 2023. Put it in your diaries and all should consider attending if possible. Information will be included in the Bulletin.

Chair: Graham O'Donnell

Reports

Gordon King: Foundation and Community Service: Gordon acknowledged Pearl's work in organising the planting of the 100 Trees. The District Grant has been received.

Lynne Carlson, Vocational Committee: Lynne thanked the people who helped with the Award night and the Rotarians and partners who attended. She thanked the judges in all categories, especially those from outside Rotary and from outside this committee. Many people commented on the music. Thank you to the Committee and Rod Greer as M.C.

Janet Alexander, Footy Tipping: Last week was won by Ron Ayres who is recovering well from his accident. Round 11: there were two who tipped eight winners. Alison George won on the closest to the margin. Janet has announced a new Award for the person who is consistently closest to the margin over the season. Adrian Schmidt is still leading, followed by Alex Magee with Heather and Coog equally third.

Janet Alexander, Social Committee: Next week is a music trivia quiz and will be a partners' night. Also bring friends, all welcome. People will be placed in teams. Music will be played and a guest pianist will be coming.

Graeme Batrouney, International Committee: A Shelterbox Volunteer Excellence Award has been awarded to Kath Venters. This is for excellence in commitment and action in helping the shelter box program. The Club will also get an award.

Rod Greer, Playground Project: Rod thanked the volunteers who came to Gane Reserve. It proved to be a difficult job. They are meeting again next Monday at 1 pm to hopefully finish the dismantling. Please let Rod know if you can help, particularly if you can use an angle grinder. He is speaking to Probus this week about the project.

Pearl Macmillan, Trees Project: The Environment Group recently visited the planting and found only one dead which has been replaced. A roster of volunteers for monthly visits to the site will be sent out. It will also be included in the Bulletin. Bring gloves and gardening weeders and secateurs. Weeds growing in the mulch may need to be sprayed.

Members Activities - Check your allocation and inform the leader if you cannot make that time.

15 on Me schedule	
Tue, Jun 14,	15 on me: John Karis/Sue Hill;
Tue, Aug 2,	15 on me: Meredith O'Neill /Martin Geerings
Tue, Aug 23,	15 on me: Lisa & Harry Hanley/Rod & Judy Greer
Tue, Sept 13	15 on me: Graeme O'Donnell/Rod Birrell
Tue, Oct 11,	15 on me: Coral Barker/Alex Magee
Tue, Nov 1,	15 on me: Greg Leece/David Larkin
Tue, Nov 22,	15 on me: Beth Eustace/Neil Templeton & Jenny Templeton
Tue, Dec 6,	15 on me: Frank Rice/Adrian Schmidt
Tue, Feb 8,	15 on me: Marion & Bill Walton/Kath Venters
Tue, Mar 15,	15 on me: Pearl MacMillan/Xenia Williamson
Tue, Apr 5	15 on me: Andrew McKoy/Andrea Tierney
Tue, May 17,	15 on me: Peter Cowburn/Heather Willson
Tue, Jun 7,	15 on me: Rod Bush/Alan Keyes

Lookout Maintenance Roster

4 June - Marion Walton

18 June - TBA

2 July - Xena Williamson

16 July - Heather Wilson

Tree Maintenance Roster

June: Pearl Macmillan Leader, Tony Haines, Beth Eustace, Peter Cowburn.

July: Noel Emselle Leader, Ann Hodgkinson, John Paton, Sue Hill.

August: Warren Chapman Leader but contact Pearl, Martin Geerings, Frank Rice, Marg Campbell.

September: Rod Bush Leader, Geoff Chandler, Marion Walton, Alex Magee, Jenny Wright.

October: Andy McKoy Leader, Lynne Carlson, Rod Greer, Judy Greer.

Guest Speaker: Dianne Looker, Geelong Coast Days for Girls Project, Drysdale

Kath Venters introduced Dianne. This project makes a huge difference in supporting girls' education in Africa and elsewhere. Days for Girls is an international program with chapters throughout the world. There are 130 chapters in Australia. The Geelong Coast branch started in 2015 and was the ninth set up here. Women who like sewing join the group. They bought fabric aiming to make 25 kits in six months but made 280. The group has grown following a report in the Drysdale Messenger. They currently have 300 kits which will be distributed through D.I.K. So far they have made over 8,000 kits. Their first kits went to Nepal. Kits are distributed personally. Deakin University students have taken kits overseas as have some Drysdale doctors and other local organisations. The Drysdale group has to report monthly to the US parent organisations, including financial statements.



Days for Girls was founded by Celeste Murgan from the USA who realised, when visiting Africa, that girls did not have access to safe feminine hygiene options. This was not a priority for poor households, and girls used unhealthy options. Mensuration was seen as a taboo subject. Two and a half million girls have received a kit world-wide. The program has had a major impact on girl's health as the previous options could lead to disease. They are now setting up sewing enterprises in the countries to make the kits themselves. As the communities often do not have electricity, they are using treadle machines.

Kits are made to a pattern determined by the Days for Girls Program. The Days for Girls product has changed with experience. It consists of a cotton, washable bag made of bright, colourful colours which can cover blood stains. The bag has a waterproof lining. In the bag are two pairs of underpants, a face washer, two bars of hotel-sized soap and eight liners. These are folded and placed in a shield which is placed in the crutch of the underpants. All is fully washable. They also get a card with instructions on how to wash it in language and illustrated with diagrams.

Individuals can help the program through providing colourful face washers, donating Spotlight vouchers or cash donations. The Dove Opp shop in Ocean Grove has supported the project for nine years giving two donations a year. People who do not sew also come to meetings to cut out material. It becomes a social event for people who otherwise do not get out.

Board agreed to donate \$500 to Geelong Coast Days for Girls.

Gane Reserve Playground - Work In Progress

