

# 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 Dec 14th	XMAS dinner	360Q				12/11 Graeme O'Donnell, 14/11 Martin Fox, 16/11 Heather & Gary Wilson
Tuesday Jan 11th	Next meeting	Golf activity				21/12 Xenia and David Williams; 22/12 David Carlson, 24/12 Geoff Brentnall; 28/12 Andy McCoy; 3/1 Tony & Pam Haines, 4/1 Val Kelly, 9/1 Alex & Ann Magee; Jenny & Nick Wright; 11/1 Richard Grimmer; 13/1 Noel & Trish Emselle; 14/1 Jan & Geoff Chandler

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.

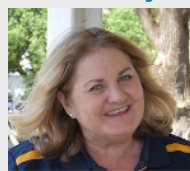
## Our Club

### 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](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)

**Theme:** The Rotary Foundation

**Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:**

12 Dec 2021 Andy McKoy  
26 Dec 2021 Gordon King

### Past bulletins

- Available from our website ([rotaryoceangrove.org.au](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)) via the 'Our Club' menu.

**Market:** 0401 606 036 **Art Show:** 0417 319 465

### Members: Coming Events:

- XMAS dinner - 360Q on Dec 14th.
- First meeting for 2022 - Movie/ Dinner Jan 11th

## Report of Meeting - 7th December 2021

### President:

Alan introduced the visitors: Arki Wild, (looking us over), Jodie Lowe, a previous Rotary Exchange Student (1989) and her daughter and Peter Kavenagh, our Guest Speaker.

The President referred to the DG's recent newsletter article about people who have a difference, whether it be sexual, racial, physical or psychological and recommended it to members.

### Reports:

**Youth:** Tony and Judy continued with their presentations of awards to children participating in the Graeme Bath Program. Meredith said the scholarship awards will be made to the Bellarine Secondary College next week. She also commended the bravery of the people from the College who were involved with the successful outcome of the shark attack.

**Art Show:** The Art Show was the 4<sup>th</sup> best we have held. The profit is expected to be around \$10,000 when all accounts are paid.

The number of entries was the second largest and most people, including the Judge were most impressed with the standard of entries.

The preparation for and management of the requirements for possible COVID 19 infection was highly praised by Barwon Health.

As usual 50% of the proceeds will be divided equally between Surfing for the Disabled and Riding for the Disabled. Members are invited to contact Rod Bush in writing with ideas about how the other 50% may be spent.



Judy Greer, Tony Haines - presenting Junior Awards at Our Lady Star of the Sea

## Wisdom for the week ....

Today I bent the truth to be kind, and I have no regret, for I am far surer of what is kind than I am of what is true.

*Robert Brault*

### "Letter words" - with new definitions. .... *F*

**Faith:** An illogical belief in the occurrence of the improbable.

**Facism:** A counter-revolution against a revolution that never took place.

**Fishing Rod:** A long stick with a worm at one end and a fool at the other.

**Flattery:** A bit like a cigarette - all right as long as you don't inhale.

### One liners ....

- I asked my North Korean friend how life was in their country and he said he couldn't complain.
- I hate Russian dolls - they're so full of themselves
- I, for one, like Roman numerals.
- I haven't talked to my wife for over a week - I didn't want to interrupt her.

## Links .....

### Rotary International:

[www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)

### Rotary District 9780:

[www.rotary9780.org](http://www.rotary9780.org)

### Rotary Foundation:

[www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au](http://www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au)

### Footy Tipping

[www.footytips.com.au](http://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 following meeting. - **please respond when you get it** - it's a very simple process.

Rod expressed sincere thanks to out going President of the Art Sow Committee, John Calnin who has passed on this very important role.

**Market:** Adrian Schmidt. The market was a good one with profits of:

BBQ: \$1953.60; Gold coin donation: \$2217.00; Shelter Box: \$39.00

All sites were occupied, and most fees had been paid previously.

**Vocational:** Lyn Carlson reported that Community award sponsorship has been excellent, with \$6,000 promised. Lyn thinks the Duck Race may have made people more aware of this program.

**Footy Tipping:** Janet Alexander donated \$500 from the competition to general funds.

Janet also reminded members that the Club's Christmas Gathering will be at 360Q next Tuesday. 6.30 for 7.00pm please.

**On to Conference:** Gil Morgan asked members to let her know if they were interested in attending the District Conference to be held in Port Fairy in 2022. She will make a group booking for accommodation.

### General Information:

Help was also requested for the BBQ at the Pt Lonsdale market. A roster sheet was circulated.

Those unfortunates who have been smitten with the COVID 19 virus are managing with help from Barwon Health and neighbors. Geoff Ford is home but feeling very lethargic.

Members were given boxes of shortbread to be given to Senior Citizens in lieu of a Christmas dinner.

Jodie Lowe spoke to members about her experiences as an Exchange Student in South Africa in 1989. The whole experience has made a great deal of difference to her life and she is sure it has made her the person she has become. Jodie emphasized that the Club should feel very proud of its participation in this program and what it has done for her and other participants throughout the world. She is currently a member of RI Central Launceston.



### Guest Speaker: Peter Kavenagh.

Peter joined Rotary in 2005 and became involved with Shelter Box in 2006. The Shelter Box Project was set up in Southern Cornwall by a private company in 1999.

Shelter Box is an international disaster relief organization which exists to shelter families after disaster strikes, and to provide safety, shelter and security in the midst of chaos. Tools to enable people to rebuild their homes and transform their lives. Families come first. At the moment there are around 85 million people around the world who have been made homeless by natural disaster or conflict. Unfortunately, as recently as 2017 only about one in five families received the support so desperately needed so the work never stops.



Shelter Boxes contain a tent which can provide accommodation for at least 10 people, a shovel, pots and pans, small selection of tools, tarpaulins, hardware rope, water containers, blankets, a water filtration system, a LuminAID light and a mosquito net.

ShelterKits are also provided with items that are customized to meet the needs of each community, including building materials and articles to assist with food production. Solar lights are also provided. They are lightweight and float on water and last up to 16 hours on one charge.

The Shelter Box Response Team is made up of nearly 200 dedicated people who are trained to assess needs and assist in the use of the equipment in disaster areas.

Before boxes are deployed government response is considered, numbers of people needing help, the type of aid needed and the length of time it will be needed. Speed of self-recovery and local capacity as well as involvement of other aid agencies are also considered. Safety is vital as is the speed and efficiency of delivery. The organization is still small and resources are limited so partnerships with other aid agencies are made where possible.

The partnership and support of Rotary International is vital as this collaboration provides information sharing and of course fundraising. Support has been provided to over 1 million people during 310 deployments in 100 countries in the year 2000.

When communities have lost everything else Shelter Box unconditionally gives them something they can call their own and helps people turn despair into hope.

The tents last for about 2-4 years and each box costs approximately \$1000. Some governments assist with the transportation and delivery of the equipment. Peter illustrated his talk with short films showing the joy and many ways these donations and real assistance in times of chaos have made lives recoverable and livable again. Over the years RI Ocean Grove has supported this organization and no doubt will continue to do so.

**Senior citizens:** as we are not able to have a formal gathering, we have organised for a reduced list of senior citizens to receive a gift of beautifully wrapped shortbread, to be distributed by members.

**January Activities:** During the month of January, we are not able to meet at the surf club and will be running a series of social events.

Tentative Planning details are as follows:

- **January 4th:** No Meeting
- **January 11th:** A movie (title t.b.a.) at the Pivotonian Cinema in Geelong followed by dinner at the Man Bo Restaurant
- **January 18th:** Curlewis Golf Club - 5pm start. Two alternatives:
  - 18 holes - mini golf - \$16
  - Own clubs - bucket of 100 balls on the driving range - \$18
 Followed by dinner - order from the menu.
- **January 25th:** t.b.a.

Numbers for all these events need to be confirmed by mid **December**. We will be canvassing interest and numbers over the coming weeks.

#### **We're in the news:**

- **Art Show:** <https://oceangrovevoice.com.au/digital-editions/> (Page 6/7)
- **Snags on the BBQ:**
- <https://oceangrovevoice.com.au/news/25-11-2021/snags-will-be-cooking-on-new-barbie-trailer/>
- <https://timesnewsgroup.com.au/bellarinetimes/news/rotarians-ready-for-summer-with-new-barbecue-trailer/>
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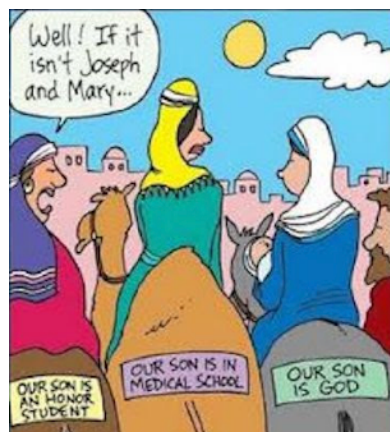
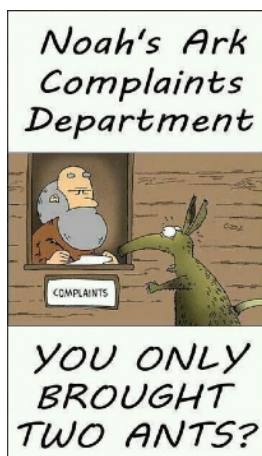
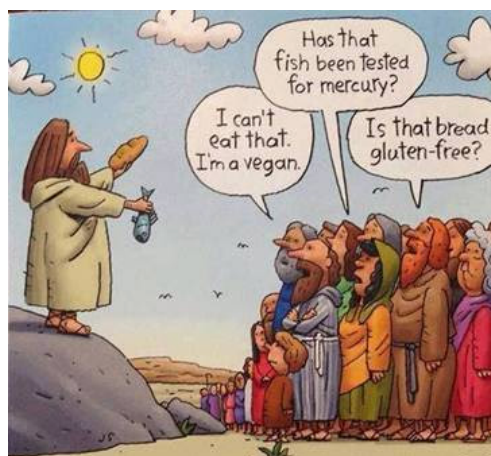


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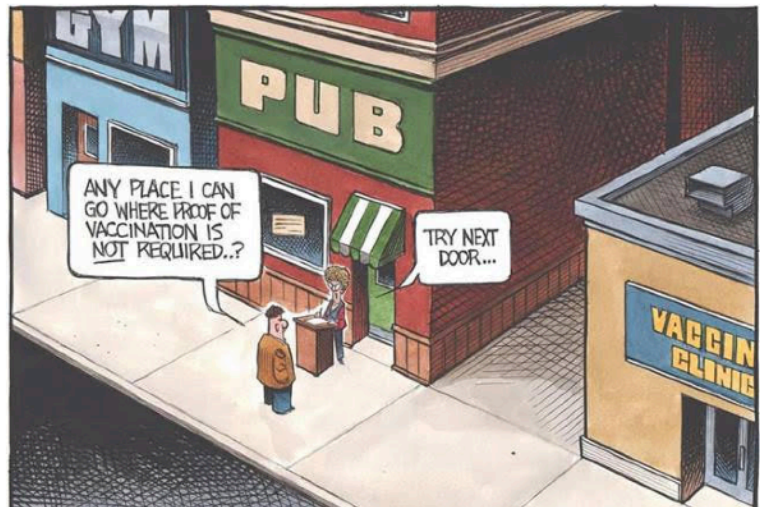
- Proposed Geelong Ring Road Extension (Bellarine Link): <https://engage.vic.gov.au/geelong-ring-road-extension-bellarine-link>
- Discussion continuing and widening in relation to Bellarine Waterways and their protection. : <https://www.facebook.com/100057820669647/posts/320953446508675/>
- Emergency Shelter & Disaster Relief | ShelterBox Australia: <https://www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au/>
- **Bushfire planning options explained:** <https://engage.vic.gov.au/bushfire-planning-made-clearer-options-victorias-planning-system>
- This Friday (December 10th.) is Human Rights day.



A whole bunch of jokes to keep you laughing all through Christmas/New Year, up until our first meeting, January 11th - A movie/Dinner. Followed by a Golf Experience on Jan 18th - keep an eye out for an attendance response forms.







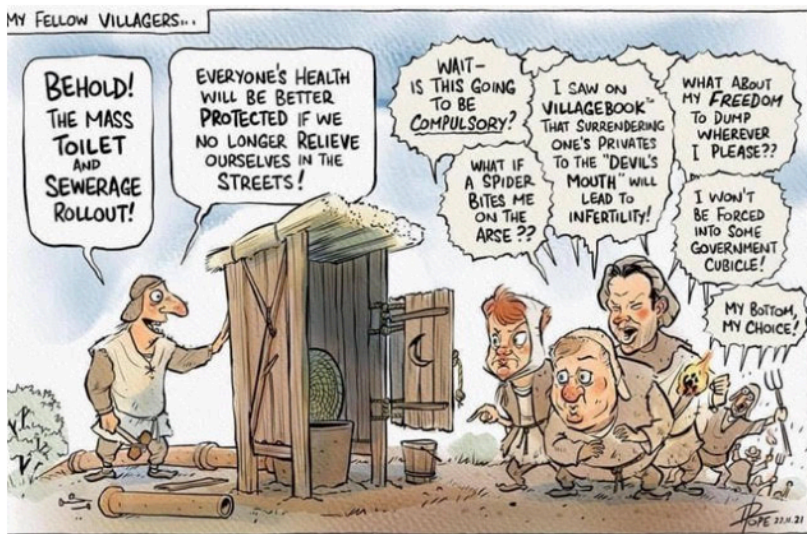
Before you judge  
antivaxers, walk a  
mile in their shoes.



"Honey, come look! I've found some information all  
the world's top scientists and doctors missed."



It's amazing how many parents  
went from, **"I don't understand my  
kid's 6th grade math homework"**  
to, **"I'm an infectious disease  
expert"** in just six months.





I'm fairly certain that the person who put the first r in February also decided how to spell Wednesday.



Kids exploring ancient ruins



I MIGHT WAKE UP EARLY AND GO RUNNING. I ALSO MIGHT WAKE UP AND WIN THE LOTTERY. THE ODDS ARE ABOUT THE SAME.

Finally I understand why cars have these things...



I wonder why we are so so obsessed with trying to find intelligent life on other planets, when we can't even find intelligent life here?

