

# ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

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## Meeting Roster



	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter/ Assist. Sgt.	Thanker/ Asst. Cshr.	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tues 13th Apr	Board restructure vote; 5 on me					8/4 Martin Geerings, 9/4 John Calnin, 9/4 Vic Harnath, 9/4 Gordon King, 10/4 Jo & Peter Hawthorne.
Wed 14th Apr	Visit to Govedale Rotary Club					
Tues 20th April	5 On Me - Three new members	Rod Bush	Marg Campbell.	Alan Keyse.	Norm Elliott.	15/4 Andrew Thorton, 18/4 Hazel & Geoff Ford, 19/4 Adrian Schmidt.

### Our Club

**President:** Gillian Morgan

**Secretary:** Pearl Macmillan

**Where:** We meet each Tuesday at the Ocean Grove Surf Club:

Main Beach, Ocean Grove, 3226

**When:** 6pm for 6:30pm

Visitors are Welcome

**Apologies:** 0457 315 900

**Web:** [rotaryoceangrove.org.au](http://rotaryoceangrove.org.au)

**Theme:** Maternal & Child Health Month

**Lookout Reserve Maintenance Roster:**

03/04/21 - 16/04/21 Isobel Paton

17/04/21 - 31/04/21 Neil Templeton

01/05/21 - 14/05/21 Tony Haines

15/05/21 - 28/05/21 Alex Magee

### Past bulletins

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

**Market contact:** 0401 606 036

**Art Show contact:** 0417 319 465

### Report of Meeting: 6/4/2021.

**President:** Pres. Gil.

Visitors: Frank Rice (RI Strathmore) Jo Ann McDowell (prospective member), Ruth Willis.

- Club members have been invited to attend Grovedale/Waurn Ponds on 14<sup>th</sup> April as PDG Stephen Lamont will be talking about the role of Clubs in helping at the Rotary International Conference to be held in Melbourne in May 2023. We should be indicating interest in helping. The talk will be at the Mercy Place, Rice Village in Marshall, 6 for 6.30pm at \$25.00 per head.
- The normal Club Meeting will go ahead as usual at the Surf Club this week as most members indicated they would like to move from the Bowling Club where space has become limited as the membership has grown.



- Thank you to everyone who helped at the best market we have ever had. Reports later. Congratulations were extended to all, we have a wonderful team who certainly put 'Service above Self' on this Easter weekend.

## Members: Coming Events:

\* Golf day - Monday May 24th

## Saying of the week ....

Too many people buy things they don't need with money they don't have to impress people they don't like.

## Joke of the week ...

A cement mixer and a prison bus crashed on the highway. Police advise citizens to look out for a group of hardened criminals.

## Links .....

### Rotary International:

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

### Rotary District 9780:

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

### Footy Tipping

[www.footytips.com.au](http://www.footytips.com.au)

## Please remember:

You receive an email each week from our Secretary, Pearl Macmillan, asking about your attendance at the following meeting. - **please respond when you get it** - it's a very simple process.

## Best wishes to:

- Lorraine Batrouney as she recovers from a knee replacement.
- Alison George on the 'passing' of her fridge.
- Geoff Brentnall as he heads north ....

## Congratulations to:

- Lisa Hanley for her 'Duck' activity
- Ann Hodgkinson and her interviewers  
- we have around 15 interviews posted on our web page.

- Thanks to all who helped at the successful Barwon Heads Duck Race. Report to follow from Heather.



- The mobile screening unit of Breast Screen Victoria will be in Ocean Grove for the first time between 17<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May for women 50yrs and over. The hot pink van will be at the Shell Road Pavillion and you can book online or call 13 20 50. This will save a trip to Geelong for those who may be due for a screening.

- An item on Facebook from a woman who met **Jodie Lowe**, a former Youth Exchange Student sponsored by our club. She is now a Rotarian in Tasmania and the States Rotary Membership Hero. Jodie is very positive about our Club and thankful for the opportunity we gave her.

- The Club will man the footy gates for the GDFL finals again this year.



**Market Report:** Coogs produced a most detailed report of the BBQ for this season:

Bread: 297 loaves, Sausages: 291 Kg, Bacon: 32pkts, Eggs: 83 dozen, Onions: 94Kg. The cooks and servers have really earned their drink at the end of the session.



Adrian reported that this market's figures are around: Gold coin collection \$4,700, Site fees \$3,000, BBQ \$3,500, Raffle (BBQ) \$847. There were approximately 50 people who helped with this wonderful effort. The total profit for the year (6 markets only) will be notified shortly.

### Fund Raising:

Duck Race in Barwon Heads organized by Heather Willson has been run. The wind was a pest but the event went well with the help of members and others. The profit will be around \$10,300 for the four recipient organisations. Congratulations to Heather.



**Community:** Gordon King sounded really hopeful that the sculpture/water feature will finally go ahead with the support of COGG. There is also some more positive thoughts about the Grubb Road walking track, funding for Tree planting, maintenance of the Lookout reserve, Town Entry signage and a new pedestrian gate into the Nature reserve.

### International:

The display of the Shelter Box at the Market created interest and this display will be repeated at markets during the next season.

**Footy Tipping:** Alex Magee is leading the competition. Judy Greer won this Round.

**Guest Speakers:** Blake Hillebrand and Jeremy Finkelstein from “Baru Threads.”

“We care about sustainability, not only for our environment but for our minds as well. Complete transparency. Uncompromised Ethics. Top quality fabrics.”

Blake has responsibility for Design and Marketing. He grew up near Dimmicks Beach near Blairgowrie. He has a keen interest in sustainability and design. He is currently completing a Bachelor of Architecture at RMIT University. Whilst researching sustainable industry for a Uni project, he began to understand the extent of pollution that new trends in fast fashion produce. This became the inspiration for sustainable products.



Jeremy has responsibility for Manufacturing and management. He has fond memories of the Great Ocean Road and its beautiful landscapes. He has always appreciated the restorative effects that nature has to offer, which led to his pursuit of a degree in Horticulture and informed him as a disability support worker. For him, getting outdoors and into nature is about improving mental health and wellness. Baru is about the challenge to help others improve themselves, as well as the planet.

The organization is 2 years 3 months old and it started with in a tutoring session where mental health difficulties were discussed. The discussion included how important outdoor activities were especially as 20% + of young people with increasing anxiety levels and depression live in urban areas where experience and opportunity to just be in outdoor environments was becoming more difficult. The need to have these areas available is being researched especially at Stanford University.

To enable people to experience the outdoors they realized funding was necessary, hence the creation and manufacture of fabrics which were sustainable and appealing to younger people was created. Fabrics had to be made using less water and made from recycled material. They commenced with making shorts and T shirts. A website was built and focused on selling merchandise at local markets. They hope to sell goods to stockists but keeping up with demand is difficult, especially as both young men are studying.

They had to learn the process of recycling and discuss with the makers and factories how they might proceed. A video was shown showing how plastic bottles were transformed into fabric. At present design is local and manufacture is global. Goals set for the process are generated in Australia and transferred to international realities. Ethical employment, employee benefits and empowerment are followed. At present the raw material is sent to India and the finished product is returned.

In the future they hope to increase sales online, attend more markets and local distributors. New products are being investigated as is cost reduction.

Publicity amongst friends about the fabric and items made from correctly recycled material is very important. Support for each other is also important. Of course the pandemic has had an effect on their progress. Jeremy and Blake aim to produce sustainable clothes that look good and get Aussies out to big skies, sandy tracks and rugged shores. They want to have ‘clothes that are best for you and your mind so they don’t just inspire escape, they make it happen.

This venture is regarded as a social enterprise as it is hoped that 80% of the profits are used to fund young people to spend more time outdoors

What do you call a fish with no eyes? a fsh.



DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE TWO GUYS THAT STOLE A CALENDAR?

THEY EACH GOT SIX MONTHS.

how long is a chinese name

What do you call a dog with no legs? It doesn't matter what you call him, he isn't coming.

WHAT DO YOU CALL A BOOMERANG THAT WON'T COME BACK?

A stick.