

# ROTARY CLUB OF OCEAN GROVE

Serving the Southern Bellarine



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## Meeting Roster

Date	Guest speaker / Activity	Chair	Greeter / Thanker	Assistant / Cashier	Raffle	B'days/Anniversary
Tuesday Nov 23rd	District Foundation - Anthony Ohlen	Gordon King	Gill Morgan	Pearl Macmillan	Lyndy Stagg	22/11 Meredith O'Neill, 23/11 Jenny Cowburn, 26/11 Heather Willson, 27/11 Rod Bush
Tuesday Nov 30th	VCE Awards	Meredith O'Niell	Rod Greer	Graeme Chamberlain	Martin Geerings	1/12 Bill Steains, 11/12 Andrea & Paul Tierney
Tuesday Dec 7th	Peter Kavenagh - Shelterbox	Ron Ayres	Kath Venters	Lisa Hanley	Andrea Tierney	6/12/ Judy Greer, 7/12 Ann Hodgkinson, 11/11 Kerrie Ricchini

### 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:**

14 Nov 2021	Ann Hodgkinson
28 Nov 2021	Wall Kelly
12 Dec 2021	Andy McKoy

#### 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:

- Rotary Art Show - November 27/8th
- Norm Elliott - commemorative ceremony - Nov 25th - 10am (OGSLSC)

We acknowledge the traditional First Nation owners 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.

### Report of Meeting - 16th November 2021

#### President: Alan Keyse

Acknowledgement of Country, Invocation, Toast to all Veterans and the RSL.

Visitors: Jo Hawthorne, Kate Ellis, Bree Sarah

#### President's Report

The District Governor will be visiting on the 26th November and will attend the Art Show opening.

Heather Willson, Secretary, is taking orders for Rotary wearing apparel.

#### Footy Tipping Winners Presentation: Janet Alexander

All winners were presented with bottles of wine, unless otherwise indicated. The balance of funds raised will be given to the Club. The following people won rounds while we were meeting on Zoom.

Round 18 - Xenia Williamson, \$25 voucher to Alison George

Round 21 - Rod Greer

Round 22 - Alex Magee

Round 23 - John Paton

The following people won finals rounds

1st round - John Paton

Semi Finals - James Carmody (Coral's son)

Preliminary Finals - Jenny Wright (voucher), Janet Alexander

Grand Final - Jenny Wright (chocolates)

#### Home and Away Session:

Minor Premiership: Peter Hawthorne, Alex Magee, Peter Cowburn

#### Overall Winners:

Last overall: Coral Barker

Winners: 1st Peter Hawthorne (chocolates), 2nd Peter Cowburn, 3rd Graeme Chamberlain

Quiz winner: Rod Greer

## Wisdom for the week ....

Holding on to anger is like holding a hot coal with the intention of throwing at someone. In the end, it's only you that gets burned.

### “Letter words” - with new definitions. .... **D**

**Delicatessen:** A shop selling the worst parts of animals more expensively than the nice parts.

**Democracy:** The worst form of government apart from the others that have been tried.

**Doctor:** A person who takes out a stethoscope and listens to your wallet.

**Dying:** A dull, dreary affair. My advice to you is to have nothing to do with it.

### One liners ....

- I know they say that money talks, but all mine says is ‘Goodbye.’
- The easiest time to add insult to injury is when you're signing someone's cast.
- People who use selfie sticks really need to have a good, long look at themselves.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. It's impossible to put down.

### 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.

### Art Show Organisation

**John Calnin:** All members, partners, friends are invited to attend the Art Show Opening on Friday 26th November at 7.30 pm at the Hall opposite the Point Lonsdale Primary School. The Mayor of Geelong, Stephanie Asher, will officiate. The show will be operating on Saturday and Sunday. Entry is free.

**Coral Barker:** Norm Elliott's memorial service is on Thursday morning, the same time as the set-up for the Art Show. There are 289 entries and consequently we are short of people to help with set-up on Thursday. The artists will start arriving with their entries around 9 am. We need at least four more people in the morning who are not going to Norm's memorial.

**Rod Birrell:** 40 stands need to be erected. The frames will arrive at 1.30 on Thursday and hanging will be from 2 pm to 8 pm. We need at least twelve people in the afternoon to clean the frames and hang pictures. This will be physically hard work.

**Geoff Chandler:** People needed to escort artists coming to collect unsold paintings from 4 pm on Sunday.

Lists were circulated on the night but contact Coral, Rod or Geoff for more information.

### Reports:

**Pearl Macmillan, Environment:** We are still collecting plastic bottle tops and bread clips. The mangrove walking track project planning is underway but will need to be coordinated with other groups.

**Judy Greer, Family of Rotary:** Elaine Elliott is doing O.K., Jerry Spencer is still in Epworth.

**Lynne Carlson, Vocational:** Sponsorship of the Community Awards has exceeded expectations. The target figure was \$4,900 but to date \$5,100 has been pledged. Bendigo Bank Barwon Heads has committed to being the Diamond Sponsor taking the \$1,000 package and have been wonderful to work with. \$500 Gold packages have been committed to by IGA Barwon Heads, Barwon Heads Pharmacy, Barwon Heads Hotel, Oakdene Winery, Ocean Grove Business Association and Ryman Health Care, Ocean Grove.

**Lyndy Stagg, Fundraising:** Kites are available for \$17 each. Revenue will go into our Club's general funds.

### Guest Speakers: Kate Ellis and Bree Sarah, Clinical Trials, Barwon Health.

Bree thanked the participants from Rotary in the recent Novavax Trial. The Clinical Trial Unit commenced twenty-five years ago. They primarily worked on Endocrinology but ten years ago included infectious diseases. Infectious diseases is now their main area of work which includes vaccine trials. They are also assisting local students working with post-covid patients and assisting the paediatric team working on viruses which cause children being admitted to hospital. Bree is the manager of the team. She deals with drug companies, ethics submissions and budgets. The doctors at Barwon Health have been very supportive. The team consists of three division one registered nurses. Kate is

responsible for infectious disease research and Jo Chamberlain for diabetes research. A new member has recently been appointed.

Clinical trials aim to find new ways to manage diseases. It is the main way new treatments become available, raises the standard of treatment and trains doctors in how to use them. Anyone can participate in a trial who meet the inclusion criteria. Participation is voluntary. There is no direct benefit from participating but it gives participants access to new medicines before they come onto the market. Participants receive these medicines at no cost while on the trial. They also receive extensive medical care during the trial. Participants in trials contribute to developing future life saving treatments.

Kate spoke about the recent Novavax trial. Novavax was an early starter in the race to find a vaccine against Covid-19. However, implementation of the treatment has been delayed because Novavax is a small company and this is its first vaccine to bring to the market. Phase One involved proving the safety of the product. Phase Two involved identifying the correct dose for efficacy. The Australian trial was in this phase. Phase Three involved proving it worked. The phase two trial involved 1,400 participants in 10 sites throughout Australia. This included 69 participants at Barwon Health. Kate found it a very rewarding study. Normally, it would be 18 to 24 months before companies start a trial. The Novavax trial had a much shorter start time. It was a blind, randomised study looking at five treatment options including a placebo. The study was used by the company to decide to move forward after identifying any reactions. Novavax has proven to be well tolerated, generally better than AstraZeneca and Pfizer. People were eager to participate because they were feeling helpless in the face of the pandemic.

Novavax has completed their trials and it has proven most effective with two doses three weeks apart. They have applied to the TGA for acceptance in Australia. There is currently another trial looking at the best timing for a booster. Novavax has already been accepted in England and the USA. It is currently being manufactured in India but that has been one factor in the delay in bringing it to market. The possibility of manufacturing in Australia is under consideration. The Australian Government has ordered 51 million doses which may be part of the booster program. Novavax is an 'old school' technology unlike the more experimental mRNA technologies. It stimulates our bodies to generate their own immune response.

Kate indicated new trials they were currently involved in. These included a virus for respiratory diseases similar to the flu vaccine. This is a phase three trial to test its efficacy. Moderna is looking a combined covid and flu vaccine. There is also a trial for a urinary tract infection vaccine. Information on trials is available on the Barwon Health Currently Recruiting Trials website.

A donation was made to Feed the Bellarine in recognition of tonight's speakers.

Next week: Anthony Ohlsen, Rotary Foundation

The **Christmas Party** is on December 14th. Please let Janet know if you are coming.

#### Environment Committee:

- **Age-defying bridges:** <https://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/parks/news/item/8d99edd6ea64f5e.aspx>
- **World Biodiversity:** [https://www.linkedin.com/posts/world-economic-forum\\_biodivercities-generationrestoration-activity-6865664675619647488-T5kC](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/world-economic-forum_biodivercities-generationrestoration-activity-6865664675619647488-T5kC)
- **two age-defying bridges at Cowies Creek in Seagull Paddock, North Geelong:** <https://www.geelongaustralia.com.au/parks/news/item/8d99edd6ea64f5e.aspx>



Chris Watson thanking Bree and Kate

