# Weekly Newsletter and Program



#### PRESIDENT STUART ELLIS 2023 - 24





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'The Rotary Club of Encounter Bay acknowledges the Ngarrindjeri and Ramindjeri people as the traditional custodians of our beautiful lands and surrounding waters and respects elders past, present and emerging.'

#### MEETING NUMBER 2183 THURSDAY, 17th August 2023

A warm welcome was extended to all those present by President Stuart Ellis. Now an Honorary Member, Brian Rodan was given a special greeting after he told us it was three years since he was last able to attend a meeting. Also present were Bill and Maralyn Toop and Guest Speaker, Martin Diep.

#### **Notes from President Stuart:**

- Acknowledged members' birthdays, wedding & Rotary anniversaries.
- Advised that there has been a Board Meeting this week and the minutes will be circulated in due course.
- The club has received acknowledgement and thanks from Shelter Box Australia for our donation.
- Our club meeting next week, (24<sup>th</sup> August) will be a club assembly. If members have any issues they wish to raise please advise (Secretary) Cherilyn accordingly before-hand.
- RC of McLaren Vale is hosting a Bowel Cancer Awareness session Sun 27 August 2-4pm at the Mt Compass Cricket Club. (See details p.5)
- RC of Goolwa is holding an American Jazz Dinner on 15<sup>th</sup> September (see details p.6)
- The RC Victor Harbor is again organising a BBQ to be run during the Rock & Roll Festival over the weekend of 16-17 September. If you are available to help with the BBQ contact their club secretary John Wilson at secretary@rotaryvictorharbor.org.au).

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Sergeant Bob Oliver invited Cherilyn Fleming (Club Secretary) and Service Directors to address the meeting.

Sue Morisset (Community Service) advised that the club is organising the running of a raffle for fundraising which will commence on 1st November. Also that our Community Grants program is going to be run again this year.

#### **Member Interview** (Conversation with Ken Carter)



Ken spoke with long-time Rotarian Des Schirmer (left) who answered personal questions regarding Rotary and his life. Des has been a continuous member of our club since his induction on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1981. Since then he has always been involved in an official capacity and over recent years as attendance officer and Team Leader for Club Awards and

Recognition. Career-wise, from a very early age Des was employed in the motor industry, commencing as an apprentice motor mechanic, and as the years passed he widened his experience and knowledge throughout all aspects of motor dealership, always gaining increased responsibility until his retirement when he was managing the Mazda Dealership here in Victor Harbor.

In response to being asked what had been a big event in his life, Des said that of course being married for 67 years had had a profound effect, but also the time he spent in National Service which impacted on his life in many different ways. Finally Ken asked him to comment on the club, to which he responded that our club is very good – why else would he have been a member for so long. He also suggested that gaining a younger membership is the current challenge faced by the club.

#### 200 Club

In his usual role as supervisor of the very popular 200 Club, Barry Pryor conducted this week's draw which was won by David Virgin. What was at first taken to be an audible groan of disbelief was in fact the sound of a gust of wind rushing past the outside door.

#### **Fines Session**



Sergeant Bob Oliver zeroed in on all guilty parties and wooden box carrier Madeleine Jenkins was kept very busy collecting from members who until that point may well have enjoyed or had been looking forward to their birthday/anniversary. No room for such celebrations here, nor for those who foolishly had their photos published in the local rag, or decided to return home from o/s.

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### GUEST SPEAKER – MARTIN DIEP – "Caring for our Eyes"

Chairman Peter Manuel introduced our Guest Speaker, Martin Diep, who works as an Optometrist at See Optometry here in Victor Harbor. Martin commenced his talk to us by stating that, "Poor eye health should not be accepted as a way of life". He then methodically explained in clear detail the main conditions which affect us as we age. These are (1) age-related macular degeneration (AMD); (2) Glaucoma; and



Guest Speaker Martin Diep speaking to an attentive audience of Rotarians and guests.

(3) Cataracts. It was worth noting that cataracts are considered to be a "natural part of life", and the corrective surgery available takes only 15 minutes. In addition to the first three listed, Martin spoke about "dry eyes" which are very common.

The clear message which Martin emphasised as being very important is that we all need to ensure we get regular eye examinations as the best protection for eye care and lifestyle needs. We appreciated very much Martin's presentation and him taking time out of his busy schedule to come and speak to us.

#### **Attendance (from Des Schirmer)**

Members 20 Apologies 3 LOA 1 AWOL 1

Total membership: 25 = 80%

President Stuart again thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.20pm with the following quote: "It's not the hours you put into your work that counts, it's the work you put in the hours." **Sam Ewing** 

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Next Meeting: No. 2184 Thursday 24th August 2023

6.30 for 7.00pm Grosvenor Hotel

**Club Assembly with President Stuart Ellis** 



#### **FORWARD PROGRAM – Rotary Club of Encounter Bay**

#### Partners and guests very welcome

For catering and/or attendance purposes, if you will be an apology or are bringing guests you must advise **Fleurieu Crash Repairs 8552-4833** no later than **1600 hrs the day before (Wednesday)**.

Remember also, when food is available, to advise of any dietary requirements.

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Aug 31 <sup>st</sup>	2185	Social	Peter Manuel	Breakfast	Whalers Inn	
		Meeting			8.30am	
Sept 7 <sup>th</sup>	2186	Elizabeth Davis Central Region Chair	Sue Morisset	Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC)	Grosvenor Hotel	
Sept 14 <sup>th</sup>	2187	Committee Meetings	Committee Directors	Planning & Budgeting	TBA by Directors	
Sept 21st	2188	Brand Victor Harbor	Alan Kluske	Julie Irwin RCVH	Grosvenor Hotel	
Sept 28 <sup>th</sup>	2189	Dean Jamieson	Alan Mullins	Author "They called me Lightning"	Grosvenor Hotel	

**GOOLWA MARKET:** Contact Cherilyn Fleming for market roster duties.

GOOLWA MARKET ROSTER August - Sept 2023 as at 12 August 2023						
	Second	10.30am – 3.00pm	Brenton Abbott T Bob Oliver			
3/09	First	6.00am – 11.00am	Colin Francis T Cherilyn Fleming			
	Second	10.30am – 3.00pm	Peter Dixon T Sue Dixon Sue Morisset			
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### Don't Regret... Do the **Bowel Cancer Check!**

### Guest Speaker; Nick Lee

Jodi Lee Foundation

@ Mt. Compass Cricket Club.

Sun. 27<sup>th</sup> Aug. 2 − 4pm

Start's 2.30pm

- Test Kits Available
- Afternoon tea supplied & Bar open.
  - Contact; Briony 0437500251

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#### THE ROTARY CLUB OF GOOLWA

## **AMERICAN**

# DINNER



3 COURSE AMERICAN THEMED MEAL LIVE MUSIC BY THE NOSTALGIA JAZZ/SWING BAND

> TICKETS \$50

**FRIDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER** 

6PM FOR A 6:30PM START

**UNTIL 9PM** 

ANGLICAN CHURCH HALL

10 CROCKER STREET GOOLWA

TICKETS AVAILABLE BY
SCANNING THE QR CODE OR
CONTACT NOELINE ON
0407 944 650 AFTER 4:30PM
FOR EFT PAYMENTS

