

Weekly Newsletter and Program



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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 2196 16th November 2023

Acting President Peter Francis officially opened the meeting and welcomed all members and guests including our guest speaker, past club Rotarian Phil Hollow, and Hon Members Graham and Carole Brown, and Mike Kelly.

Peter Francis acknowledged all birthdays and anniversaries and in unmistakably clear terms reminded a small number (of identified) members that next week's meeting will be on a different day (Tuesday) and at a different venue (Middleton Tavern).

Members were also advised that the District Governor is keen for all Rotarians to be involved in the 'Rotary says No to Domestic Violence' walk from Victoria Square to the Women's Memorial Gardens commencing at 9.30am on 25th November 2023.

Following a formal invitation from Sergeant Bob to address the meeting, the following members updated those present on various happenings:



Club Hon Members Graham Brown (seated), Mike Kelly (centre back) and Carole Brown.

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Club Secretary Cherilyn Fleming circulated three attendance sheets for members to fill in.

(1) The combined clubs' dinner meeting next Tuesday at Middleton Tavern for visiting D.G. Craig Dowling.

(2) BBQ Meeting to be held at the home of Stuart and Jo Ellis.

(3) Christmas Dinner to be held at Whalers Inn.

- Cherilyn has emailed to all members the rosters for Goolwa and Port Elliot Markets and has asked everyone to volunteer wherever possible.
- She and Mary-anne attended a special workshop conducted at Port Elliot for the Tour Down Under. They suggest it would be very worthwhile for the club to display extra club posters at the time of the event.
- The special dinner at Middleton Tavern for visit of DG. Members to note that all meals will have to be ordered separately from the menu, hence due to the large number of attendees, be prepared for the possibility of having to wait in a long queue.

Community Service Sue Morisset

- Successful recipients of the club's Community Grants Program have now all been presented with their cheques.
- We received a thank-you letter from Coastcare for their grant. Peter Francis also commented that he had met with members of Coastcare and they were very appreciative of receiving the grant.
- Club raffle – please return all sold ticket books and further books are available for ticket sales.

Alan Mullins

Volunteers are required for marshalling at the Christmas Pageant being held on 9th December.

Youth Service Colin Francis

On Wednesday 6th December 11am to 12 noon, presentation of awards to Victor Harbor High School students. Discussions following this announcement indicated that we now have a suitable presenter. TBC.

Member Interview – Ken Carter (Conversation with Marilyn Shaw)

First becoming a member of Rotary - Marilyn explained that she was contacted by then club membership officer Roger Nunn and was inducted into the club on 3rd January 2008.

Asked about her career path, she described how she left school to work as a stenographer in the Napier (New Zealand) office of the Department of Health. There were a number of temporary postings to the Head Office in Wellington where she worked for the Director-General of Health. A later transfer to Christchurch saw her continue her public service work there until a girlfriend advised one day she should try for her job which was becoming vacant with her about to travel overseas, so Marilyn decided to “give it a go” and hence her 2 years working as a House Model began. Following marriage she found herself in Brisbane where she worked as a P.A. for Utah Development Company, which was then developing open-cut coal mines in central Queensland. Following the birth of her first child she had 10 years as a stay-at-home mother, during which time she studied for and completed a Bachelor of Arts degree at Flinders University. When her youngest child began school, she started up her own business, Stirling Secretarial Services, which grew and required additional staff. Then the opportunity was offered to her to work for the local State Member of Parliament which she gladly accepted, selling her business and moving into a new career. As the MP held a ministerial portfolio for a number of years she worked in the ministerial office in Adelaide and also at parliament house. When he retired some years later she was offered a position working for the local Federal MP, Alexander Downer who was Minister for Foreign Affairs, where she managed to survive for six years until her retirement.



Marilyn being interviewed (interrogated?!) by Ken Carter.

Having the opportunity to study at university and to “broaden & open her mind” was the answer Marilyn gave to Ken’s question on what she considers was an important event in her life.

Finally responding to the question on how our Rotary Club could possibly improve, Marilyn thinks that whilst it will always be important to work for our local community, it is also worthwhile to embrace Rotary for the worldwide influence it has.

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Fines Session



The fines session was interesting to say the least, with cross-fines as well as golden and brown moments being shared.

All very capably controlled by Sergeant Bob Oliver.

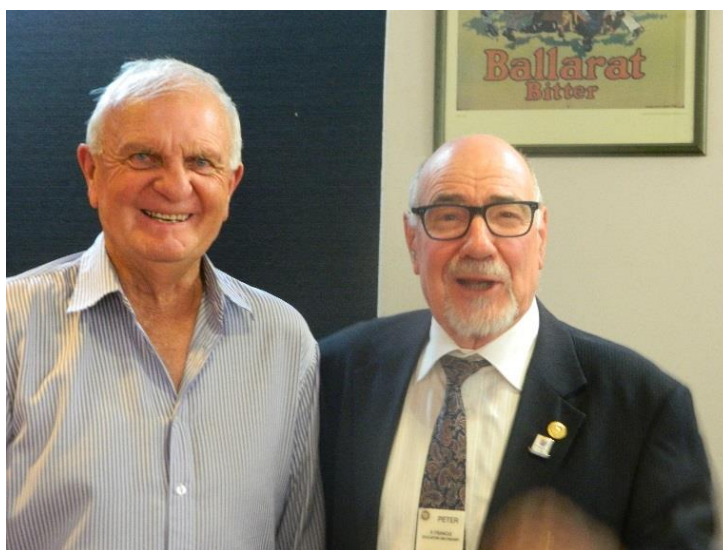
Bob's Joke of the Week



One day a market researcher was knocking on doors in a street and was greeted by a busy looking housewife. 'Hello, I am doing some research for a petroleum jelly manufacturer. Have you ever used the product?' 'Sure', the woman answers, 'my husband and I use it when we are intimate'. The researcher was taken aback. 'I thank you for your honesty, can you tell me exactly how you use it?' 'Yeah' she said. 'We put it on the doorknob to keep the kids out.'

GUEST SPEAKER – Past RCEB Member PHIL HOLLOW

Sergeant Bob called on Chairman Phil Beckett to introduce the Guest Speaker Phil Hollow, and so began the reminiscing by Phil of his time with our Rotary Club, "Good Times & Bad Times in Rotary". We can correctly call him a Raconteur Extraordinaire, with his ability to make us laugh (including at ourselves). Phil began by giving a short background of his career, which he clearly enjoyed, particularly being the District Ranger for the Lower Lakes and Coorong.



Guest Speaker Phil Hollow (left) with Acting President Peter Francis.

In Rotary he was Club President 1998-99 and became involved with the Rotary Group Study Exchange, leading the group on an overseas exchange visit which he described as being a great experience and a lot of fun. He also took on the role as Assistant District Governor. Phil reminded us of many funny

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incidents and highlights experienced while he was in our club, but through it all was the sense of achievement at what the club was doing to help others.

One of the highlights for Phil during his club membership was when women were admitted to Rotary. Why would he not be impressed?!

We appreciate very much Phil coming to see and speak to us. A highly entertaining evening and as we all know so well, "Laughter is the best medicine".

Peter Francis joined Chairman Phil Beckett in thanking Phil Hollow and closed the meeting sharing the following quote:

"It is Never too Late to be What you Might Have Been"

Attendance (from Des Schirmer)

Members	16 (+ 1 make-up)= 17
Apologies	6
LOA	2
Total membership:	25 = 68%

Next Meeting: No. 2197

Tuesday November 21st 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Middleton Tavern

Combined Meeting with Rotary Clubs of Victor Harbor, Yankalilla & Goolwa

Official Visit: District Governor 9510 Craig Dowling



Rotary
District 9510

Craig Dowling (Kiki)
2023 - 2024
District Governor
Rotary Club Loxton

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Encompasses most of SA, Sunraysia,
Alice Springs and Broken Hill.

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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)**.

Nov 30 th	2198	Club Assembly	Stuart Ellis		Grosvenor Hotel
Dec 7 th	2199	Club BBQ	Stuart Ellis	At the home of Jo & Stuart (for members)	14 Beaumont Street, Port Elliot.
Dec 15 th	2200	Christmas Meeting 	Stuart Ellis	All members, partners, past members & friends.	6.30pm Whalers Inn
Dec 21	x	No Meeting			
Dec 28	x	No Meeting			
Jan 4 2024	x	No Meeting			
Jan 11	x	No meeting			
Jan 18		No Meeting			
Jan 25		No Meeting			
Feb 1	2201	International Night	David Virgin	5:30 - 7:30 pm 3 Knights Beach Walk Port Elliot.	

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

Contact Cherilyn Fleming for Market Roster Duties**PORT ELLIOT**

18 November 2023	First	7.00am – 11.00am	Ken Buckley Colin Francis
	Second	10.30am – 2.00pm	Cherilyn Fleming Jeanette Rich

GOOLWA

19 November 2023	First	6.00am – 11.00am	Bob McFarland T Alan Mullins
	Second	10.30am – 3.00pm	Brenton Abbott T Bob Oliver

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