

# Weekly Newsletter and Program



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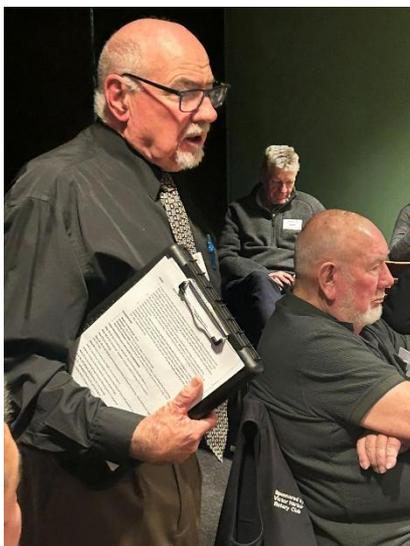
*'The Rotary Club of Encounter Bay acknowledges the Ngarrindjeri and Ramindjeri people as the traditional custodians of our beautiful lands and surrounding waters and respects elders past, present and emerging.'*

## MEETING NUMBER 2259: 8 May 2025

### Venue: Grosvenor Hotel

Sergeant Bob called the meeting to order at 7pm and introduced President Peter Francis who welcomed members. There were no guests or guest speakers. He advised that Secretary Marilyn is not with us tonight. Unfortunately she and Phil have spent several days on the medical merry-go-round with Phil having broken his fibula and torn ligaments. While he has had surgery to plate the bone and repair the damage, he was in good spirits. We wish Phil a quick recovery.

Peter reminded members that we have been invited to the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the opening of the state electoral office in Victor Harbor. While this is a community function with an open invitation, President-elect Sue and Peter will be attending to ensure RCEB's representation.



Peter Francis speaking at the meeting with Bob McFarland.

Peter also highlighted that he had been contacted by Dave Bennett, Assistant Principal at VHHS asking if some of our members would be able to assist with mentoring senior students in their Active Identities & Futures (AIF) Showcase, something the Club has done over the last several years. Details are reflected in the attached letter: essentially Thursday 29 May, 10.30 to 12.50 at Victor Harbor High School. **Please advise the High School directly if you can help.**

There were no Rotary Anniversaries. Phil De Courcey is having a birthday on 11 May and Colin Wormald on 13 May. Peter and Brenda Manual have a wedding anniversary today 8 May and Colin and Barb Francis on 13 May. Peter Manual received his first PHF on 9 May 2011 and another two in 2014, 2023. Sue Morriset advised of a combined Club meeting with RCVH and Goolwa Clubs on 16 July at the Middleton Tavern, in part to discuss Group 5 shared projects. She also reminded Club Members of the Community Planting at the Bluff on Saturday 21 June and members are encouraged to attend, if only for an hour. Her final request was that if members wanted particular individuals to attend the Changeover in June, could they please send their names and email address to Marilyn this week.

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Colin Francis indicated that Investigator College is keen to have students sponsored again for Rotary Youth Science Forums. The Youth committee is investigating. Colin was also concerned regarding the lack of saltshakers on respective tables.

Sergeant Bob was firing, with fines to Alan, Stuart, Peter F (paid with Bob's money) Peter M, Phil, Colin F, and David.

David again expressed his wonder of his airtags identifying the location of his lost luggage.

Stuart encouraged members to attend the Wally Bradley Quiz Night, Encounter Bay FC on 30 May.

Ken Carter advised that a past exchange student Adelle, had visited recently and wanted to be remembered to the Club.



Ken Carter and Vincent Kok  
having a chat.

Ken then commenced his most recent 'conversation' with Vincent Kok, supported by Valerie. Vincent explained that they wanted to join Rotary to give back to the Australian community, as they had been welcomed since immigrating from Singapore some years ago. Once invited by Sue Morriset and Shane to Club meetings, they felt comfortable joining the RCEB. They moved from Singapore (Vincent had earlier been an Officer cadet), largely so their two daughters would be less pressured at school and enjoy a better lifestyle. They initially lived in Geelong, with Valerie being a cook and Vincent homemaker and during Covid, had a chance visit to Victor Harbor and decided to move here. Vincent expressed his concern for others, meeting Maslow's hierarchy of needs and this explained in part, why he is working in Disability care and Valerie in

Aged care. On how the Club could improve, Vincent suggested it required greater flexibility to accommodate those still in the workforce and to cater for those of working ages, including embracing technology. With a smile, he also indicated he struggled to laugh at every one of Ken's jokes. Club members expressed their appreciation of Vincent and Valerie joining the Club. Vincent shared his philosophy: 'Expect nothing, appreciate everything'

President Peter ended the meeting identifying future meetings (listed below) and thanking Sergeant Bob for offering to shout the bar. His thought of the week from Mahatma Gandhi: "You may never know what results come from your actions, but if you do nothing, there will be no results."

### **DATES to REMEMBER**

**15 May:** At the Grosvenor. Advanced care Directives.

**22 May:** At the Grosvenor. Speaker, Deborah Geerts. Coping in an Emergency.

**29 May: 10.30 am-12.50 pm** Activating Identities & Futures mentoring. Please advise the High School if you can help. No meeting that night as Quiz night the following evening.

**30 May:** Wally Bradley Quiz Night, Encounter Bay FC

**5 June:** Sea Rescue Presentation by Commodore Michael Ross and Squadron Leader Clive Mountford.

**12 June:** Travels on Remote Islands. Speaker David Virgin

**19 June:** Social Meeting/Final Business Meeting before Changeover

**21 June: SATURDAY.** Biodiversity VH Tree Planting

**21 June: SATURDAY** Goolwa RC 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday & Change-over Lunch.

**27 June: FRIDAY** RCEB Changeover Dinner at Crown Hotel

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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)**.

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

<b>15 May</b>	<b>6.30 for 7pm</b>	<b>Grosvenor Hotel Advanced Care Directives</b>	<b>Dianne will explain the importance of and process for completing an ACD</b>	<b>Madeleine Jenkins</b>
<b>22 May</b>	<b>6.30 for 7pm</b>	<b>Grosvenor Hotel</b>	<b>Coping in a cardiac emergency – Deborah Geerts</b>	<b>TBA</b>
<b>30 May</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Encounter Bay Football Club</b>	<b>Annual RCEB Quiz Night</b>	<b>TBA</b>

**Market Rosters –Contact Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details**

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Dear

**Activating Identities & Futures (AIF) Showcase – Thursday 29 May 10.30am to 12.50pm**

I would like to invite you to take part in our AIF Showcase for 2025. We appreciate your time and the expertise you bring to share with our students.

Activating Identities and Futures (AIF) encourages students to design their own learning journey and use student agency to develop their knowledge and understanding of a self-selected topic. Students at this stage of the year have spent 15 weeks learning about their topic and are now getting ready to complete their final Appraisal and will use your feedback to improve this task.

Your role as mentor will be to listen to students share their Portfolio of learning & provide some feedback and ask some questions. The students will then reflect on the information gained in your mentoring session, leading to the refinement of their final piece of work.

We would like to invite you to join us for a morning tea starting at 10.30am, followed by a brief training session for mentors at 11.00am to clarify the process and your role on the day. The panels will begin at 11.10am and conclude by 12.50pm.

All mentors are requested to sign in at the front office reception desk via George Main Road. Please contact school administration reception on (08) 8551 1900 if you are able to attend.

Once again, thank you for your support of the VHHS students.

Yours sincerely

David Bennett  
Assistant Principal: Learning Improvement

Senior Executive

8 May 2025

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