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VICE PRESIDENT & PRESENT ELECT – Gillian Houlihan 2025-2026

Weekly Newsletter and Program

“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 2277: 2 OCTOBER 2025

Venue: Grosvenor Hotel Main Dining Room

The meeting was called to order by Acting Sergeant Bob who welcomed members and handed over to President Elect Gill who noted the shock and dismay with which the recent news of President Sue’s resignation as President and club member has been received. She informed members that the Board has asked her to advise members of follow-up actions that will be taken.

They are as follows: in the interest of supporting Sue’s well-being, the Board has agreed not to accept her resignation but to offer her instead the option of taking some leave, the length of which will be at her discretion. This will give the Board time to follow up on matters leading to her resignation and allow Sue some breathing space to reflect on her decision. Director General Rajeev Kamenineni’s advice will be sought as part of the follow up process and further consideration will be given to follow up actions at the 9th October Board meeting.

Members will recall Sue has a close affiliation with the club through her late father, and was honoured to be both a member and President.

President Elect Gill then went on to recall advice she received from a member when she first joined the club: that everyone brings with them a particular skill set and, over-riding this, a wish to volunteer at the local, national or international level. All members are encouraged to apply their skills in different club roles and this is why all Board positions are filled each year through a democratic process which opens us up to new ideas. She reminded members that all roles are for 12 months so that if a position is not handled in the way others would wish, there is the opportunity to make a nomination and have a different set of skills applied.

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Present Elect Gill then mentioned that she personally tries to encapsulate the Rotary Fourway Test in the way she works for Rotary, asking:

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

She then noted the strong membership base of the club with a wide demographic base, a 50 year age range, a strong financial base and regular involvement in community projects, particularly those involving youth. She reminded members that this year's theme is 'Unite for Good' and that the Board is keen for us to follow and practise this in our engagement within the club.

She alerted members to the fact that Board has recently also reluctantly accepted Vincent Kok's resignation as Treasurer. Vincent has a new position which is very demanding of his time but he has advised he and Valerie will remain a members of the club and he will continue in the Treasurer's role until a replacement is found. Vincent was thanked for the amazing role he has played in this position in a very short time. In the interim, nominations for Treasurer will be very welcome. Lastly, members noted President Elect Gill has offered to act in the role of Caretaker President in the interim.

There being no Directors' reports, the meeting then moved to the 200 Club draw which was won by Phil Beckett. Members then noted the market websites are up and running and that Phil De Courcey will present these in more detail to members at a later point in time. Sergeant Bob collected fines for birthdays, anniversaries, jackets, photos in the paper and football before President Elect Gill closed the meeting at 8pm, reminding members that next week's meeting will comprise committee meetings.

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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 **Secretary 0448 217 725** no later than **1600 hrs the day before (Wednesday)**.

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

9 October	TBA	TBA	Committee Meetings	TBA
16 October	6.30 for 7pm	Grosvenor Hotel	Club Assembly	TBA
23 October	6.30 for 7pm	TBA	TBA	TBA
30 October	5.30pm	VH RSL	Bob Suba Tour of Museum	Barrey Niven
	6.30 for 7pm	Grosvenor Hotel		

Market Rosters –Contact Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details

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