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PRESIDENT Gillian Houlihan 2026-2027

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 2307: 6 August 2026

Venue: Hotel Grosvenor

Sergeant Ken called the meeting to order and reminded members about the upcoming SALA Art Exhibition. President Gill welcomed guests Phil Shaw, and Tara and Kai Baggendorf, visitors from Port Wakefield. President Gill then outlined the key features of the proposal (attached) for rezoning the currently 19 Rotary Districts in Zone 8 to 9 Districts in 2028. A show of hands of members present indicated 10 for and 2 against.

President Gill then handed over to Chair Bob who invited Directors to report. Director Ken thanked members who completed the members survey and reminded others there is still time to respond. Past President Peter Francis informed members the guest speaker next week will be Lew Sanders from the Gospel Centre and the week after, Lou Nicholson the member for Finniss. Barry Niven informed members that the 200 Club currently has fewer than half the members of the previous year and not enough to run the draw successfully. After some discussion it was agreed an auction or raffle with the prize donated by the winner of the previous week would be a good idea, with Bob leading the initiative.

Fines were then conducted, including one for Past President Peter Francis for wearing a tie.

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Lastly, President Gill reminded members about the Reunion Dinner on 17 September and asked for suggestions for the venue, whether to include partners, and entertainment. The Crown was suggested as a venue with a buffet meal perhaps, and partners would be welcome. A fines session could also be included. A local newspaper article and a Facebook page were also suggested. An RSVP date will be needed. It was agreed President Gill will follow up and report back.

President Gill then closed the meeting at 8.10pm with a quote from Picasso: 'The meaning of life is to find your gift and the purpose is to give it away.'

FORWARD PROGRAM – Rotary Club of Encounter Bay

Partners and guests very welcome

For catering and/or attendance purposes at formal meetings, if you will be an apology or are bringing guests you must advise the **President** by email (pghouli@bigpond.net.au) or text message (0409695770) no later than **1600 hrs the day before (Wednesday)**. Remember also, when food is available, to advise of any dietary requirements.

13 August	6.30pm for 7pm	Grosvenor	Chair: Barry Pryor Guest speaker: Lew Saunders	Meet and Greet: TBA
27 August	6.30 pm for 7pm	Grosvenor	Chair: Stuart Ellis Guest Speaker: Lou Nicholson Member for Finniss	Meet and Greet:TBA

Members present: 19

Apologies: 16

Guests: 3

Market Rosters – Contact Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details

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9510 Club Voting Form - Redistricting

1. Club identity

Field	Entry
RI club ID	
Official club name	
Current District Number	9510
Club Meeting/Decision date	

2. Proposal for Club Decision / Vote

Following the June 2026 Rotary International Board meeting, where the in-principle decision was made to modify the 19 current districts in Zone 8 to a planned 9 districts. It is proposed that District 9510 clubs redistrict with the relevant clubs of Districts 9560 and 9780 to form a new district comprising 93 clubs across all of South Australia, the Northern Territory, Timor-Leste and neighbouring cross-border communities of Mildura and surrounds, Broken Hill, Wentworth, and Robinvale-Euston. Effective 1 July 2028, with the district number to be assigned by Rotary International does your club agree to the proposed new district ? Yes / No.

Vote ☐ YES or ☐ NO

If the club does not reach a Yes/No decision, do not mark a response; contact the District Secretary secretary26-27@rotary9510.org so the position is recorded separately.

3. Certification

We certify that the club received the proposal on 3 August, had at least 30 days from receipt to discuss and vote, made the decision above using the clubs authorised process, and that this submission is complete and accurate.

Name:

Name:

Club President

Date:

Club Secretary

Date:

Please email this voting form to the District Secretary Pam Vaughton
secretary26-27@rotary9510.org by 5.00pm Wednesday 2 September 202

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