



Weekly Newsletter and Program



PRESIDENT PETER FRANCIS 2024 – 25



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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 2243: 12 December 2024

Venue: Grosvenor Hotel

President Peter opened the meeting and welcomed all members and guests Vince and Val. Members noted that the guest speaker scheduled for this meeting has been deferred until next year. President Peter then handed around a certificate of appreciation from Victor Harbor High School together with an outline of awardees. He assured members it was very gratifying to take part in the awards ceremony. He then acknowledged Rotary anniversaries for Bob Oliver (2003) and Bob McFarland (1992), birthdays for Sue Dixon (19 December), Paul Houlihan (29 December), Bob Hall (7 January), and Peg Beckett (12 January), and wedding anniversaries for Stuart and Jo (14 December), Ken and Cathy Carter (7 December) and Sue and Phil Dixon (20 December).

Club Secretary Marilyn then informed members that 40 attendees have registered to attend the end of year meeting at McCracken. Those who haven't yet paid should check with the Treasurer as to the best way to do so. Following on from the previous week's meeting, members noted donations are going to the Ukraine initiative from our club. Director Mary-anne reminded those involved with the pageant to meet at the Bowling Grounds at 4pm. Brenton will transport Frosty and police will provide support. Marshalls need to bring vests. Finally David reminded members that the first meeting for 2025 will be held on 30 January at his house and will cost \$30 per person

President Peter then called Stuart forward to present him with a Paul Harris Fellowship certificate and pin which Stuart was very pleased to accept. Peter next asked President Elect Sue Morrisset to introduce Vince and Val Kok to the club. Members noted that Vince and Val are both of Chinese heritage and were raised in Singapore. They met online and have two daughters. They moved to Australia in 2016 and to Victor Harbor in 2023. Val is currently working as a Health Support Officer and Vince is an Aged Care Coordinator at St Louis after previous employment in the airforce, dog grooming, running an online pet business and taxis. After formally inducting Vince and Val, and presenting them with shirts, badges and welcome packs, President Peter informed members they will be joining the Community Service Committee.

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The 200 Club was then drawn and won by Jeanette and Cherilyn. Sergeant Bob collected fines extensively: from Stuart for his PHF, from members celebrating birthdays and wedding and Rotary anniversaries, Colin, Pil and Ken for having their photos in the paper and the President for not having his photo in the paper – again – Cherilyn for interrupting, Shane for driving within the the speed limit, Marilyn for forgetting she invited Carol Brown and Bob Hall for an extremely special birthday.

President Peter then invited President Elect Sue to conduct the Addendum meeting to the AGM held on 28 November. Minutes for this will be distributed separately.

President Peter and Sergeant Bob then formally congratulated Bob Hall on his 90th birthday and presented him with a card and bottle of champagne. Members then joined in celebrating his birthday with more champagne and a wonderful cake provided by Gill. Bob expressed his sincere thanks to all and members noted how much he appreciated being a member of a club that is doing great things.



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Finally, President Peter thanked all present for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8.35pm.

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.

19 Dec	6.30 for 7pm	McCracken	Christmas dinner and celebration	TBC
			19 Dec – 30 Jan Christmas Break	
30 Jan	TBC	3 Knight's Beach Walk	Bubbles by the Bay	David Virgin

Market Rosters – Goolwa and Port Elliot

See Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details

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