



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 2246: 6 January 2025

Venue: Grosvenor Hotel

President Peter opened the meeting and acknowledged the traditional owners, the Ngarrinjeri and their elders. He welcomed all members and guests, thanked David Virgin and Janice for the get-together last week, and Cherilyn and the market group for their work on the markets over the holidays. Directors and members have met over the holidays in preparation for the new year. Bob has been working hard on RYDA for next year and a meeting with three clubs has been organised for 26 January. He then acknowledged Rotary anniversaries for Colin, Bob MacFarland (54th) and Peter Manuel, and wedding anniversaries for Ken and Bob and their wives.

Chair Jeanette called for Director's reports. David Virgin thanked all those who attended and helped the previous week, raising a total of \$1675 plus \$1500 from craft items. Peter Manuel reminded members about the AFL tipping competition. Members then noted promotion of the club is needed to maintain membership numbers and that posters have been developed for that purpose. Members took a number of posters to be put up around the city. Community Services grants will be advertised in papers shortly, and a day out for disadvantaged families at Urimbirra is in preparation for March. Ken reminded members this is a very worthy cause and generates good publicity.

Chair Jeanette then handed over to Ken who held a conversation with Gill Houlihan who was a Zonta foundation member 39 years ago. She was invited to join Rotary by Peter Manuel in 2006. After some time in Queensland she retrained as a Home Economics teacher, and spent some time in Port Pirie, Salisbury North and Victor Harbor in 1976. She has two daughters. She attended the Rotary International Convention in Sydney and had dinner with the International Governor at that time. Her advice for the future is to keep promoting the club to younger members.

The 200 Club was then drawn and winners were Bob Hall, Phil de Courcey, Marilyn Shaw, David Virgin and Cherilyn Fleming.

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President Peter then invited Dr Steve Brooks from Skintech to begin his presentation. Steve was a founder of Skintech in 2017. There are five doctors currently. He began by emphasizing the importance of sunscreen. Two in three Australians will suffer from skin cancer. There are three main types and it is essential to check regularly for any sores or changes including spots. A new mole is a red flag. Melanoma can spread to the lymphatic system. Other types can become sore and invade nerves, not the blood stream. UV light is the main cause. Sunscreens absorb light but it is important to remember they take 20 minutes to work. They also need to be reapplied after two to four hours. Melanomas are treated successfully through surgery in 90% of cases - the other two types in 30% of cases. A skin check takes 20 minutes and a biopsy can be taken for anything worrying, followed by creams, excisions or grafts as necessary. In response to questions members noted skin tags don't usually lead to melanomas, two incisions are sometimes necessary, and a referral is not needed for a skin check.



Steve was thanked for his very informative presentation before fines were issued by the Sergeant - to Bob Hall for his Rotary anniversary, Mary Anne and Bob Oliver for wedding anniversaries, President Peter for wearing Crocs, and Meredith, Kathy, Stuart, Peter Francis, Glen and Bob Hall for having their photos in the paper.

President Peter then thanked Steve once again for an interesting and scary presentation, and more details about a truly fabulous local service. Golden and bown moments included Peter Manuel's birthday and Bob Hall's four generation family. President Peter then reminded members about the upcoming BBQ at Stuart's home in a fortnight and the need to give Sue your name next week if you intend to go.

Finally, President Peter thanked all present for their contributions and closed the meeting at 8.27pm with the following thought: 'Be yourself – there is no one better qualified.'

Members present: 25 (81%), Guests 1, Apologies and Leave 6

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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.

13 Feb	6.30 for 7pm	Grosvenor Hotel	Sarah Mack, Port Elliot Kindergarten	TBC
20 Feb	TBC	14 Beaumont St Port Elliot	Stuart Ellis, Backyard Barbecue	TBC
27 Feb	6.30 for 7pm	Grosvenor Hotel	Club Matters	TBC

Market Rosters – Goolwa and Port Elliot

See Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details

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