

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 2253: 27 March 2025

Venue: Grosvenor Hotel

President Peter opened the meeting and welcomed members and guest Rob Mulhern. He also welcomed guest speakers Kevin Barth and Garry Eves, driving instructors for RYDA. Peter informed members he is confident RYDA will continue as a two day program and then reminded members about the Goolwa RC anniversary on 21 June. He also mentioned the website will be modified to show the RC of Encounter Bay initiated the establishment of Goolwa RC. President Peter then asked members present if they wished to meet on the 17 April and 24 April and noted a 'yes' response. A Rotary anniversary was noted for Sue Dixon, a birthday for Cheryl and a wedding anniversary for Colin Wormald.



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President Peter then handed over to Chair Bob McFarland who invited Secretary Marilyn and Directors to speak. Secretary Marilyn advised members that from now on Board minutes will be sent to all members unless she is advised otherwise. Stuart asked members if there was any interest in a visit to the Glass Exhibition in Adelaide and noted there was none. President Elect Sue distributed draft copies of Board and Committee membership and asked for any members who have concerns to see her after the meeting. Madeleine notified members of a forthcoming concert by the South Coast Choral and Arts Society for which she has tickets.

Chair Bob then invited Barry to conduct the 200 Club Draw and winners were Jeanette, Sergeant Bob and Secretary Marilyn. Segeant Bob collected fines from Sue Dixon for a Rotary Anniversary, Barry Niven for speech length, Peter Manuel for becoming a champion bowler, Madeleine for missing a market sign, the President for the colour of the Sergeant's shirt, Crows supporters, Sue, Ken, Jeanette and Stuart for missing seats, Madeleine for providing wrong information on seats, Alan for trying to regain his licence, Mary-anne for bike dangers, Marilyn for paying Office Shop costs of 25c, and Phil for successfully having a cyst drained on his back.

Chair Bob then introduced Kevin who explained he sits in the car with students in activities such as guessing stopping distances with cones and a dummy. Seat belts, drugs, speeding, inattention and phones are key areas of focus. In response to question he explained ABS and driving position are both covered, farm background students tend to be more proficient so the focus for them is more on traffic. Garry then explained that lessons are good, even in circumstances where a licence is being renewed. Challenges for older drivers include stiffness, vision, reaction time and hearing. In response to questions members noted that 77% of collisions are rear end and speed restrictions are a common problem. In South Australia drivers can still drive a manual vehicle even if they passed their test in an automatic. Eye tests every year are recommended. At a stop sign wheels have to stop behind the line. Cars should allow 1.5 meters distance from bikes and only pass if it is safe to do so. Cars can go over solid lines to overtake bikes. The Causeway tramline is give way.



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Chair Bob thanked Kevin and Garry for their presentation and for their invaluable investment of time and money in RYDA, before handing back to President Peter who thanked Kevin and Garry again for the benefit provided to all young people through their work. He reminded members Rob will shortly become a member of the club before finishing with a quote from Angela Merkel: 'Fear has never been a good adviser' and closing the meeting at 8.45pm.

Members Present: 21 (70%), Guests 3, Apologies and Leave 9

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.

3 April	6.30 for 7pm	Grosvenor Hotel	The Vets of the Valley Vietnam	Phil De Courcey
10 April	TBA	Causeway or Cockles	Breakfast meeting	TBA
17 April	6.30 for 7pm	TBA	TBA	TBA
24 April	6.30 for 7pm	TBA	TBA	TBA

Market Rosters – Goolwa and Port Elliot See Market Director Cherilyn Fleming for details

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