

# *Rotary Club of Bendigo South* **SIGNPOST**

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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Lakeview Hotel (TBC weekly)

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## **BSRC PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

Finally we were able to meet together again! Despite the storm a group of intrepid Rotarians met at the Iris Place, which as it happened was sunny as the clouds had grumbled and rolled by! We wandered among the rows of Iris and Glenda Liddicoat answered questions about successfully growing irises, lifting and dividing etc. Glenda has had quite a few Irises 'named'. They are all stunningly beautiful.

We then adjourned to the Allies Pub where a few more Members and partners were awaiting the gardeners. No power for a while slowed the proceedings, but Tony got the Auction finalisation up and running. There was keen competition for a few items. No-one wanted my rose pruning or the pigeon, but everything else was sold to the highest bidder and we raised a goodly amount for the Admin Account. It made for a fun night!

And talking of raising money, in the eleventh hour I had a few more donations come in for my 'Walk With Us' fundraising for End Polio – I walked 157k and raised \$1190. A BIG thanks to all of you who donated.

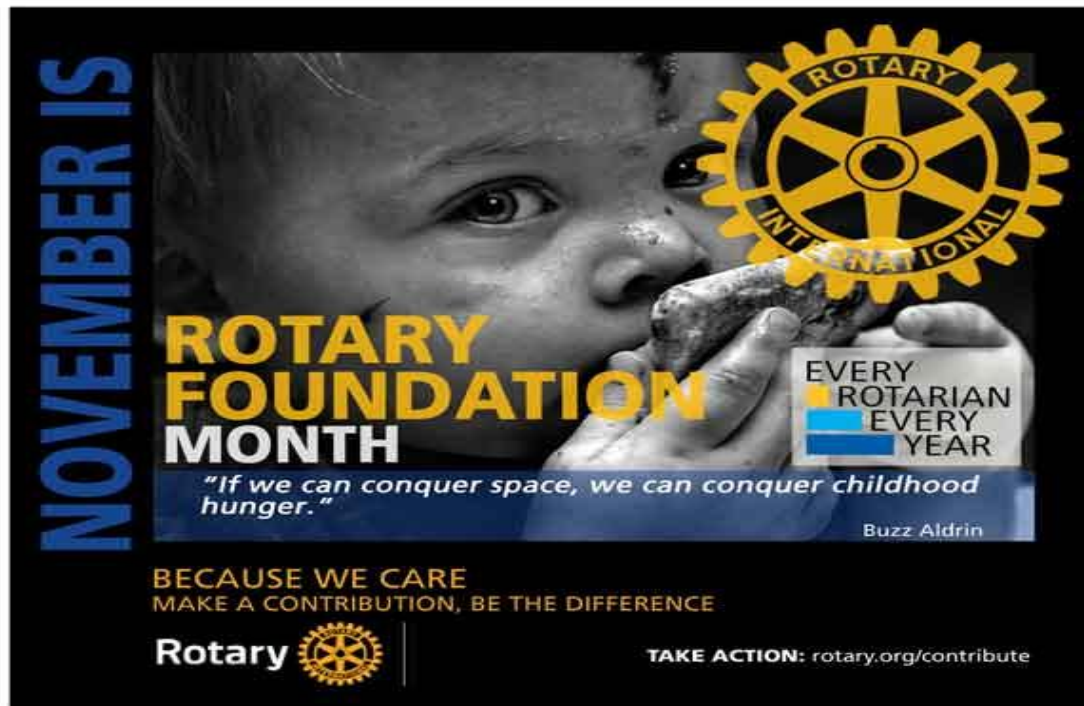
We are now able to meet at the Lakeview again. **The venue requires proof of double vaccination.** I look forward to catching up with everyone face to face!!!

**Merlyn Quaife, AM**

## The Iris Place, and our Auction



*Many thanks to those that supply articles and photos for the Signpost*



## NOVEMBER PROGRAM

(NOTE - The program for November is dependent on the COVID situation).

November	Venue	Program
Thurs Nov 4th	Lakeview Hotel	MS Ambassador Program Guest Speaker - Trish Mifsud Chair - Merlyn Quaife
Thurs Nov 11 <sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day	Lakeview Hotel – covid permitting	Re Guest Speaker – Committee Chair -Milton Long - Overseas Scholarship Program Chair - Heather Nixon and Delivery of Remembrance Day Message - Heather Nixon
Thurs Nov 18 <sup>th</sup>	Lake View Hotel or Zoom	Annual General Meeting & Social night C hair - Merlyn Quaife  *** Board meeting to follow ***

# Trish Mifsud – MS Ambassador Program

Trish has now lived with multiple sclerosis for longer than she has not. A wife, mother of a teenager and Coordinator of the MS Ambassador Program in Victoria, she is dedicated to raising awareness about multiple sclerosis.



Multiple sclerosis is a disease that can turn your abilities into disabilities overnight, as Trish found out when in 1983 at the age of 19, she was denied temporarily the ability to walk, see, feel and use her hands. Trish saw multiple sclerosis as a serial auto-immune pest, but always believes there is a positive.

Having participated in many public speaking engagements over the past decade, Trish will inspire and motivate you to look at the big picture, and she will share with you her battle to retrieve back possessions that we all have but rarely utilise. Trish found that fear could be more paralysing than the disease itself.

In 1995/6 Trish lobbied the Federal Government to allow access to treatment for people diagnosed with multiple sclerosis, and looked far and wide for a mentor. She eventually found one in her own back yard - her active preschooler - who never gives in and never gives up, and who is multiskilled to achieve, in spite of the odds.

Trish has spoken at numerous Rotary District Assemblies and in excess of 50 Rotary & Probus Clubs around Melbourne. Rotary District 9800 MS Committee also enlisted Trish's assistance as a public speaker, in their endeavor to fund research into multiple sclerosis at a national level.

The Rotary Shine On Awards Committee also utilise Trish's talents to motivate fellow Rotarians to support this program.

Repeat bookings to address RMIT and Swinburne University of TAFE nursing students demonstrate this enthusiastic and effective MS Ambassador's commitment to raising awareness about multiple sclerosis. At 50, Trish has a 30-year history of living with the challenges of multiple sclerosis. Trish can efficiently translate textbook curriculum for those who care for people with multiple sclerosis, (often in their darkest hour), into real life by confronting reality. As a community we will all benefit.





## Club Members Auction Project.

Despite a power failure the final auction was conducted last night with many lucky bidders securing their treasures. To those who missed out -better luck next time! Those present who secured items were able to pay up straight away so those who were not present NOW need to look for your colour code on the attached summary sheet and send off a payment to the clubs account for the amounts owing.

Banking Details as follows: BSB: 633 000

Acc No. 103497236

Head your transaction: **Auction** and include your name.

Collection of goods and promised service provisions are to be arranged between the purchaser and the donor.

Thanks for your participation and helping secure such a great result.

Tony



## To all Members of the Rotary Club of Bendigo South.

This is a notice to inform you of the upcoming **Annual General Meeting** of the club to be held on **November 18, 2021** .

Should any member wish to change the club constitution any submissions must be sent to the secretary within 14 days of this notice for inclusion .

yours sincerely  
PAUL GIBBONS BSRC Secretary  
[pgibbons1964@gmail.com](mailto:pgibbons1964@gmail.com)

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The mission of **The Rotary Foundation** (TRF) is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill and peace by improving health, providing quality education, improving the environment, and alleviating poverty. TRF is Rotary's Charity and should have the support of all clubs and Rotarians.



Join us for  
**Morning Tea with the DG**  
10:00am to 11:15am  
**Saturday 27th November**  
Register your attendance at:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BUCYL>

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Use this opportunity for ALL Club Members to go to <https://my.rotary.org/en> and register or sign into My Rotary and access the treasure trove of useful information about the history and organisation of Rotary and The Rotary Foundation, its programs and projects.

### Perhaps try:

- **Exchange Ideas** - Joining a discussion group relating to a project or hobby close to your heart, such as cricket, whiskey or an Area of Focus
- **Take Action** - Getting inspiration for new projects from Rotary Ideas, or share your projects for others to be inspired by in Rotary Showcase
- **Learn** - Watching on demand webinars on courageous leadership and complete some short courses in the **Learning Centre** - starting with the "Getting Started With the Learning Centre" module
- **Manage** - For club officers, updating your club and member details in Club & District Administration and club goals in Rotary Club Central
- **Brand Centre** - Creating refreshed and correctly branded club publicity materials, including club and "People of Action" brochures, business cards, Facebook and pull up banners.

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**FOREIGN COIN** - keep this for Lyn Comer.....



## *Ironbark Gully Tree Planting*

Anthony Sheehan and IGF volunteers planting wetland species in frog pond at Ironbark Gully, on Sunday morning.

BSRC members, Bernie & Paul helping out



**CHOCOLATES! Bring your Gold Coins on Thursday!**





# Rotary

## District 9800



### THE FOUR WAY TEST

- Is it the TRUTH
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned

### THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

FIRST.

The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;

SECOND.

High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;

THIRD.

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;

FOURTH.

The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional



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## WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:  
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:

Shekhar Mehti  
Dale Hoy

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CLUB PRESIDENT  
SECRETARY  
TREASURER  
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR  
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR  
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR  
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR  
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR  
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER  
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Geoff McKinna  
Peter Kilpatrick  
Gary Pinner  
Matthew Scott  
Sue Duncan

## CLUSTER CLUB MEETING TIMES

### *DISTRICT 9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER ROTARY CLUBS*

RC KANGAROO FLAT: Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

Secretary - Geoff Wakefield 0408510218

RC BENDIGO: Tuesday 12:45pm, Bendigo Club, Park Street, Kennington.

Secretary: Danielle Ioniescu – 5444 0190 [secretary@rotarybendigo.org.au](mailto:secretary@rotarybendigo.org.au)

RC ECHUCA MOAMA: Tuesday 6pm, Moama Bowling Club, Shaw Street, Moama.

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7.30am, New Meeting Venue to be advised.

Secretary: John Harkin – 0409957000

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

Contact on 0428468298 [eaglehawkrotary@gmail.com](mailto:eaglehawkrotary@gmail.com)

RC ROCHESTER: Thursday 6pm, The Court House building, Moore Street (Opp. G. Nelson Motors)

Contact - Heather Watson on 0439842177

RC CASTLEMAINE: Wednesday 6:30pm, The Cumberland Hotel

Secretary - Lyndal Mc Clure 044339116







