# 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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#### **President's Report**

It was a marvelous meeting together again at the Lakeview Hotel. Board Members able to attend presented their quarterly reports and we bounced around many ideas. Despite Covid we have managed to conduct a varied and interesting program for Members both via Zoom and face to face when possible. Rod Spitty does a great job pulling all the loose threads together, but he reiterated that so many of the good ideas for guest speakers come from Members ideas and connections. Keep those ideas flowing!! Anne Peace and Greg Penno gave a summary of the International committee's activities and we are hopeful of being able to host the Wine Tasting on March 27, so pop that date in your diaries!

A big thank you for those who put their hands up for the 'For A Meal' day where we were to pack boxes with a variety of non perishable foods as part of the RC of Canterbury's project. Unfortunately, I heard from AG Graeme Lynas that not enough Clubs were in a position to participate so it is cancelled for now.

We'll be taking a look at Camp Getaway this week and then enjoying a meal. Please pay via EFT in advance (\$25 pp) or via EFTPOS on the night.

The District Conference approaches and the Early-bird rate soon comes to an end. Elizabeth Bell has agreed to be our 'On to Conference Chair'.

See you at Camp Getaway!

Merlyn Quaife AM



# This weeks meeting back at the Lakeview with Committee Reports



# Funds available for District Grants!

Last year, twenty-five (25) projects were approved for District Grant funding and eighteen (18) scholarships for \$1000 each were given to clubs for use by Year 11 - 12 students. This year we will have USD70,000 (i.e. AUD99,000) in our Block Grant to fund District Grants such as these.

However, so far in the first half of this Rotary year, applications for grants have been surprisingly low. Only two District Grants totaling AUD5000 have been approved and thirteen (13) scholarships have been awarded.

Does your club need funds to get a new project up and running?

# **FEBRUARY PROGRAM**

JANUARY	VENUE	PROGRAM
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Camp Getaway	Inspection, meal, fellowship. Partners & Friends Welcome Chair - Paul/Graham
Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Lakeview Hotel	Guest speaker from Tibet - Tsering Dorje  Chair - Greg Noonan
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	TBA	Disc Golf - Social - organised by Greg Penno
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Lakeview Hotel	Guest speaker - Michael Deschepper - Wintringham - Homeless Women Chair - Jan Pagliaro

# This week's meeting is at Camp Getaway

161 KIMBOLOTON/AXEDALE ROAD, AXEDALE.

6.00pm for 6.30

#### **PROGRAM:**

- Inspection of Camp led by Committee members .
- Meal provided by Caretakers and Fellowship .

All members and partners welcome.

#### MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE

CLUB EFTPOS MACHINE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE MEETING, OR PAYMENT OF \$ 25.00 TO THE CLUB ACCOUNT BEFOREHAND ALSO ACCEPTABLE.

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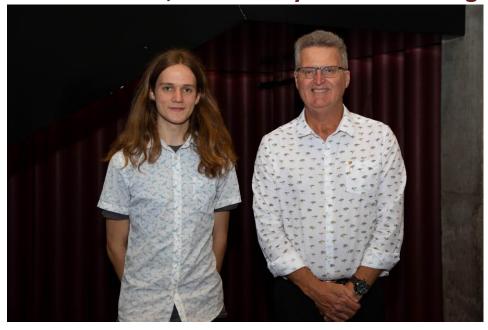
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\*\*\*NEXT TUESDAY FEBUARY 8 TH FOR CATERING PURPOSES.\*\*\*\*

# **BSRC** member, Mark Tracy & Tom Fleming



Here is a photo of Tom and I after a presented the Rotary Scholarship to him at the BSSC Awards night in December last year.



Cant wait to get back to these!



- February 20<sup>th</sup> (Sun) Disc Golf details to follow
- February 23<sup>rd</sup> BRC Annual Bowls Night details attached.
- February 27<sup>th</sup> Langley Hall Opera Plus starring our Merlyn details attached
- March 27<sup>th</sup> Wine & Cheese Tasting at Lindsey Jolley's as a fund raiser for the International Committee
- April 22<sup>nd</sup> -24<sup>th</sup> Rotary 9800 Conference in Albury details to follow
- Bendigo Easter Parade looks like it is going ahead maybe a BBQ?



# Out tripping down memory lane this week takes us to the Foundry – Luisa & BSRC member, Elizabeth Bell - February 2019



# And Luisa this Christmas just gone:



# **Ironbark Gully Friends Landcare Group**

Ironbark Gully Friends Landcare Group had another working bee yesterday (Sunday) to extend the frog ponds on Ironbark Gully, located off Victoria Street behind the Garden Gully Reserve hockey centre (near Jebb and Hayes Streets).

Wetland seedlings planted in spring are surviving well. Further mulching and bank stabilisation with rocks were undertaken, and a stone seating circle added. The frog ponds will enhance biodiversity, and help slow and filter urban runoff draining into Ironbark Gully.

Working bees are still limited to IGF members only to limit Covid risk unfortunately. Hopefully Covid restrictions will have eased when shared trail construction and associated revegetation, landscaping and recreational facility works eventually commence, and greater Rotary member participation can be organised.



# **ROTARY 9800 CONFERENCE! LETS GO!!!**



#### Something to think about – thank you Graham Neivandt:

"Lexophile" is a word used to describe those who have a love for playing with words to produce such gems as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless."

A competition to see who can come up with the best lexophile creations is held every year in an undisclosed location This year's winning submission is posted at the very end:

- .. When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- .. A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- .. When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.
- .. The batteries were given out free of charge.
- .. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- .. A will is a dead giveaway.
- .. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- .. A boiled egg is hard to beat.



# 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



# WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT: Shekhar Mehti RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR: Dale Hoy

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**CLUB PRESIDENT** Merlyn Quaife AM **SECRETARY Paul Gibbons TREASURER Greg Noonan** YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR Mark Tracy INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR **Heather Nixon** COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR Zoe Pocock **Tony Plant** MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR **CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR Rod Spitty CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER** Geoff McKinna **ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR** Peter Kilpatrick **FUND-RAISING and FINANCE Gary Pinner CLUB COMMUNICATIONS** Matthew Scott **NEWSLETTER EDITOR** 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

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 <a href="mailto:eaglehawkrotary@gmail.com">eaglehawkrotary@gmail.com</a>

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 McClure 044339116