

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:

What an interesting Zoom meeting we had last Thursday, meeting with the Rotary Club of Phnom Penh and hearing about all their projects ranging from Bicycles for Kids to Mosquito Nets, School Libraries and Emergency Food Distribution from the President Don Rosenfeldt. A big thankyou to Greg Penno for Chairing – Greg has been involved with this Club raising money for their MEC Project which to date has done 148 operations changing the lives of every one of these people. As we know the MEC Project is 'on-hold' for now but it is great to know of the great good it has done. Apart from Greg, numerous Club Members have had direct association with the Club of Phnom Penh so it is a relationship we will endeavour to continue.

In the 'Walk With Us' - End Polio Fund-raiser I have so far walked 79k and raised \$388 mostly from family and friends. You can add to my total by making a donation at <https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/fundraisers/merlynquaife>

A big thank you to all Club Members who have donated to the Uniform Library for BS Football and Netball Club. We have raised \$480 which will be rounded up to \$500 once approved by the Board.

At our next meeting we will be having a Polio Theme and hearing from Bev Watson from the Polio Network. Then we have a chance to get together at The Iris Place (with masks and social distancing) followed by a meal at Allies Pub.

Merlyn Quaife, AM



Our visit to Phnom Penh Rotary Club!



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

OCTOBER PROGRAM

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

| October | Venue | Program |
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| Thurs Oct 21st | Zoom | Guest Speaker - Bev Watson – Polio Network Victoria Convenor Chair - Merlyn Quaife *** Board meeting to follow *** |
| Thurs Oct 28th | Covid allowing Iris Farm, & then the Allies Pub | Vocational Visit to Iris Farm with meal to follow at Allies Hotel Beer Darden Venue - Iris farm - (address to be supplied) and Allies Hotel Chair - Merlyn Quaife |
| Thurs Nov 4th | | TBA |
| Thurs Nov 11 th Remembrance Day | Lakeview Hotel – covid permitting | Re Guest Speaker - Milton Long - Bendigo Rotary Club - Overseas scholarships Chair TBA |
| Thurs Nov 18 th | Lake View Hotel or Zoom | Annual General Meeting & Social night C hair - Merlyn Quaife *** Board meeting to follow *** |

Information for our Vocational Visit to *THE IRIS PLACE*

OCTOBER 28

Come and be enchanted by Glenda Liddicoat's fields of Irises. Glenda will also talk to us about her propagation and breeding of new varieties.

**ADDRESS 155 Booth Rd
Woodvale**

Part A – maximum 30 people with masks and social distancing

Members and partners are welcome to arrive from 5.30. We will hear from Glenda in two groups which will enable social distancing. You may even wish to place an order for a few plants!

Part B – maximum 20 people to eat at Allies Pub (outdoor area) following the Iris Experience

Cut-off is Tuesday 26 at 5.00 pm

Please book your place for Part A and/or B with Rod Spitty sms: 0402 883 747 or email: rspitty@gmail.com

Next Club Meeting via Zoom- Thursday October 21st

**Guest Speaker – Bev Watson – Polio Network Victoria
Convenor**

I contracted Polio in April, 1956, aged 6-1/2, just two months before the Salk Vaccine was introduced to protect children in this state.

Fairfield Infectious Diseases Hospital, then to Hampton Hospital where I stayed for almost 12 months.

Finally allowed home, I did four (4) years of Correspondence education and returned to my Primary School in Grade 4. This only occurred because my mother fought tooth and nail to have me back in mainstream education and not at a special school.

Five (5) years at Preston Girls Technical College and straight into work at a local new car dealership as Secretary to the Company Secretary.

Married in 1972 and living in the East moved to 7-1/2 acres in Woodend in 1975. 1976 first of my three (3) children was born.

Marriage ended 1989. In 1990 I commenced Tertiary study. 1996 completed my Bachelor of Social Work.

Like so many Polio survivors I now experience the Late Effects of Polio which can make daily activities difficult and tiring but it is not in the nature of a Polio survivor to give in, just make adjustments.

Bev Watson – Chair Polio Network Victoria



Club Members Auction Project.

Following a brief discussion re the potential of conducting an inter club auction at our last club members zoom meeting we have decided to pursue the idea adopting the following format.

Our auction is to be conducted over the next 4 weeks (4 Thursdays in succession) – the first week would be to introduce the idea to members and gather in the items and/activities or services they are prepared to donate.


Then we List the items, and allocate those interested parties a number, and then the bidding begins!

We invite you all to participate – firstly by contacting Tony on anthony.plant@bigpond.com and he will allocate you your number

Next step is to peruse the List of Auction items (see attachment), then email Tony with your number and the amount you would like to bid!

The latest Auction Catalogue is part of the Attachments!

So, if it is fishing, home made baking, stunning wall art, or a ride in a vintage car – much to choose from and don't get left behind!



**Put your
bid in now!**



SUCCESSFUL SEEDLING PLANTING WORKING BEE.

This past weekend Rotary Club of Bendigo South members, in conjunction with Friends of the Campaspe River Walk, Rochester Rotary Club members and the Strathallan Family Landcare Group undertook some planting of our nurtured and nourished seedlings along the Campaspe River Walk. It is an area that is frequented by Squirrel Gliders and it is great to know we have assisted in a small way with their continued existence in the local environment.

The club was adding to its already respectable environmental credentials with this working bee and the establishment of further links with another Rotary Club as well as a Landcare group and the very impressive Strathallan Glider Sanctuary.

According to my reckoning we planted approx. 350 seedlings along the reserve over the weekend. A big thanks to all those club members in attendance on both days as well as Tony for the BBQ lunch on the Saturday. In addition, thank you to Heather Watson and her Rochester member's contacts who were able to assist us in this working bee.

PAUL GIBBONS

On behalf of the Seedlings Team.







Promotion for Rotary Leadership Institute

The Rotary Leadership Institute Program presents a wonderful opportunity for experienced Rotarians, new members and indeed people interested in finding out more about Rotary to take some time to experience the history, current and new initiatives related to this great organisation we call Rotary.

This four-part program is now available online.

Part 1 & 2: Growing and strengthening Clubs through developing a Plan for the future of your Club.

Looking at Rotary Leadership through examining the styles and characteristics of great leaders. Becoming a confident Club President or another club leader through understanding the roles and responsibilities and characteristics of effective and happy teams.

Part 3: Focussing and Increasing Humanitarian Service whilst learning more about **The Avenues of Service** and **The Rotary Foundation**.

Part 4: Enhancing Public Image and Awareness of Rotary and **Sharing and promoting what we do**

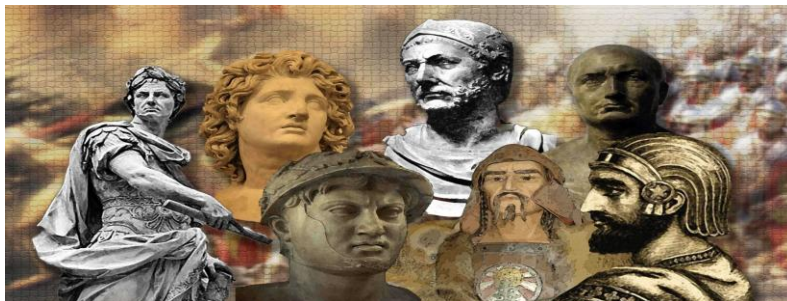
The next Rotary Leadership Institute will be conducted on the following dates:

Part 1 and 2 on **Saturday 20 November at 11am** and will run for one and a half hours.

Part 3 on **Sunday 21 November at 11am** for one hour

Part 4 on **Sunday 28 November at 11am** for one hour

To register you need to email Jane Pennington Jane.Pennington@rotary9800.org by Friday 13 November. There is a limit of 20 people for each program.





Over 30 years ago, Rotary made a promise to the world to eradicate polio.

When we get there, it will be only the second time that a disease affecting humans has been eradicated.
Now we're on the brink of history, thanks to the support of partners like you and the generous support
of the Gates Foundation.

Let's drop to zero.

Two drops, every child, every time...

**We are challenging you to walk, run or roll 10, 20 or 50km throughout
the month and raise vital funds that will help eradicate and prepare
us for a Polio free world.**

You can do them wherever you like, whenever you like and all while maintaining your social distance.

If you'd like to make a donation for Merlyn's efforts, here's the link:

<https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/fundraisers/merlynquaife>

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 | Merlyn Quaife AM |
| SECRETARY | Paul Gibbons |
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| INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR | Heather Nixon |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR | Zoe Pocock |
| MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR | Tony Plant |
| 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 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

