

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



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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Foundry Hotel, High Street Golden Square.

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

A relaxed and enjoyable dinner meeting was held on Thursday at the Foundry. Our guest speaker was Erin Wayman from the Greater City of Bendigo. Erin informed us about how the Bendigo Council deal with waste across the municipality. This included the use of landfill, green waste recycling and the issues which complicate the recycling of paper, plastic and glass products. Overall, there are some very positive things happening but further education is needed for some in order to use the various wheelee bins correctly. The topic inspired multiple questions from the members.

Well done to Tony Plant for his entrepreneurial efforts in marketing and selling a considerable number of pencil pines and making some handy funds for club projects.

Lucky Lotto winner was Katie Kim.

Next Thursday we meet at the Foundry and I look forward to seeing everyone there

President Glenn Madden

2019/2020





FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS MAY YOU ALL ENJOY YOUR CELEBRATIONS

TOM CAMPBELL FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup>

KEN BRIGGS FEBRUARY 25 TH

JENNIE HUGHES FEBRUARY 27 TH

OTHER BENDIGO SOUTH ROTARY CLUB EVENTS OVER THE WEEK.



## **9800 Rotary District Conference. Bendigo March 27 /29 2020.**

If you have not already booked in for our district conference this year it is not too late. All information including details about each of the wonderful speakers, entertainment and the timetable are on the Booking web page. Also, you now have the opportunity to book in your partner if they wish to accompany you to the Saturday dinner but not fully register for the conference sessions. If you can attend on one day only this is also now available. Having the conference in Bendigo is great for our city and also means that local Rotarians can attend a fabulous event without having to pay for accommodation. If you have been a bit Luke warm about this year's conference I ask you to at least visit the website and re consider coming on board.

Tony Plant

Conference Committee Member.

### **District Leadership Course on again.**

The district intends to run another leadership course in February. It is the one that Katie and I did last year and would recommend it to all members. If you could highlight it in the body of the Signpost and then attach the two forms it would be an example of promoting member education. I will speak about it at our next club meeting too. The program used to be conducted over two days but has been condensed into one which does make it more attractive.

Tony



### **HANDBAG ITEMS REQUIRED.**

Following a generous donation from Andrew the club has some used handbags that need filling so if all can have a look in the dark recesses of bathroom cupboards for the following items please.

Shampoo, conditioner, hand cream, combs, note pads, biros, scarves, perfume, soap, coin purses, tooth brushes and tooth paste, deodorant.

Thanks

Merlyn

### **THE FOLLOWING LETTER / E MAIL RECEIVED THIS WEEK BY SECRETARY TONY**

Dear President Glenn Maddern and all Esteemed Members of The Rotary Club of Bendigo South,

I am writing to thank you all so much for your financial support to allow our Son, Brodie, to attend the Conoco Phillips Marine Discovery Experience at Queenscliff last week (Monday to Wednesday 20-22 Jan).

There were quite a large group of young people in attendance, and while the weather wasn't kind and the canoeing had to be cancelled and the program altered to suit the conditions, Brodie had the most amazing experience. He dissected a squid, learnt about different sea snails and their speed and enjoyed beach-combing and learning about the ecological water system surrounding Queenscliff. So different and exciting compared to our normal everyday life on a farm in rural Victoria!

We are so grateful to your club that Brodie was able to attend.

He hasn't stopped talking about it and I believe this experience has given him a better understanding of where his future career path will go.

Thanks so much again, for your support. Very much appreciated by our whole family.

Warmest regards,

*Leanne*

Leanne Welsh

Home address: 48 Woods Road, CALIVIL VIC 3573

## **A message from the District Governor, Grant Hocking – RE BUSHFIRES AND RESPONSE.**

Hello D9800 Rotarians

Like all Australians, we have been deeply impacted by the bushfires in our country. The loss of homes, landscapes, wildlife and lives is truly devastating, and our hearts go out to all those affected.

Over the last week District 9800 has established a **Bushfire Response Committee** which has met every day last week to coordinate our District response to the bushfires.

The committee is chaired by Sue Foley (RC South Melbourne), with Marion Macleod (Melbourne), PDG Jim Studebaker (North Balwyn) and Rhys Maggs (Essendon North) supported by DGE Philip Archer and myself.

We have been moved by the outpouring of support Rotarians and our community has shown to what will be a long and complex bushfire season.

**In the last few days I have also spoken directly with Governors in both the Gippsland and Hume areas of Victoria and we will be working together in our response. We will be coordinating our efforts (financial and logistical) with these Districts to ensure that all communities are supported.**

As well as this the 21 Governors across Australia are in constant communication and coordinating the National relief efforts.

The aim is to ensure we coordinate and maximise our response to those communities in need as base it on the identified needs from those communities.

### **Immediate response**

Emergency and Disaster response agencies in Victoria do a marvelous job in the immediate care and safety of the affected communities. Relief and Recovery centres are set up with support from Government, Red Cross, and many others. Support is provided in the form of food, accommodation, counseling services and funding for necessities.

I know you join me in sending our sincere thanks to the firefighters, charities and volunteers who are tirelessly working to assist in our country's recovery.

I am proud that we have many Rotarians volunteering for front line agencies and responding to requests for support from agencies working in the relief centres and elsewhere including animal welfare. Generous offers are being received from many Rotarians, and there have been many individuals and clubs working in many areas to provide materials and food to affected agencies and communities. This includes the provision of 500,000 P2 facemasks which are being distributed through RC Melbourne and DIK.

**Our District Bushfire Response committee would love to have a record of all these efforts from Rotarians and clubs in our district.**

Please contact PDG Jim Studebaker with information about your recent efforts and any plans for or to discuss future relief efforts. Contact Jim via email [jimstude@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jimstude@bigpond.net.au) or 0413 304 864.

### **Donations**

Experience tells us that donation of money is more effective and provides more flexibility as in can be used to meet targeted and specific requests for support.

District 9800 is providing two separate ways for Rotary Clubs, Rotarians and members of the public to provide donations to our Bushfire Recovery efforts.

The first fund will provide Rotary Clubs and individuals not seeking a tax deduction and allow us more flexibility to take immediate action.

Account: Rotary International District 9800 - Australian Bushfire Appeal  
BSB: 633000 Account Number: 171227895

The second fund through Bendigo Banks Community Enterprise Foundation allows tax deductibility to individual donors or businesses who require this option. Bendigo Bank has waived their administration fees.

**For tax deductible donations please use this link:**

<https://www.communityenterprisefoundation.com.au/make-a-donation/rotaryd9800bushfireappeal>



Carlton United Breweries are also making a substantial cash donation and conducting a program to raise funds through pubs around Australia. A huge thanks to our partners at Bendigo Bank and CUB.

In the coming weeks and months we will be doing all we can to coordinate an effective and coordinated response to the Rotary Districts and communities affected by the bushfires.

The ongoing support of Rotarians will be invaluable over the coming months and as always it is valued and appreciated.

If you need to discuss anything related to the bushfire efforts please contact D9800 Bushfire Response Committee chair Sue Foley [Sue.Foley@bendigoadelaide.com.au](mailto:Sue.Foley@bendigoadelaide.com.au) or myself.

Thank you again for all you are doing to support the bushfire affected communities.

Regards

**Grant**

**Grant Hocking ASM (Melissa)**

#### **More Information Wanted?**

The District Support Team members are here for you....that is why they have stepped beyond their Clubs to serve. Please contact them via your Assistant Governor.

Or contact District Secretary Jane Pennington at [secretary@rotarydistrict9800.org.au](mailto:secretary@rotarydistrict9800.org.au) or on 0408 402 555.



#### **How your donation helps**

"This is a race against time. We need to get in as quickly as possible when it is safe. And we need to have everything as ready as possible for supplementary feeding – or for evacuation."

For insight into the work currently being done with your donations, [please read this article from \*The Age\* - 'Heartbreak and help: Mission to rescue fires' furry victims'](#)

Along with other animals, koalas Leafy, Spinach and Vicky have begun their treatment at Healesville Sanctuary.

| CLUB PROGRAM                                       |   |                                   |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| FEBRUARY 2020 theme: PEACE AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION |   |                                   |
| Thursday 6<br>February 2020                        | BOARD MEETING AND RYPEN GUEST SPEAKER     | THE FOUNDRY                       |
| THURSDAY 13<br>February 2020                       | VOCATIONAL VISIT TO THALES                | FACTORY AND TYSONS<br>REEF HOTEL? |
| Thursday 20<br>February 2020                       | EAST LODDON STUDENT PRESENTATION          | THE FOUNDRY                       |
| THURSDAY 27<br>February 2020                       | NO MEETING DUE TO SCOTTS DAY OUT SUPPORT. | ROSALIND PARK.                    |

| Date        | Thursday 6 February<br>2020   | Thursday 13 February<br>2020   | Thursday 20 February<br>2020             |
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|             | BOARD MEETING THE<br>FOUNDRY  | VOCATIONAL VISIT   | STUDENT PRESENTATION<br>FROM EAST LODDON |
| Guest Spy   | <b>SPEAKER RYPEN<br/>SOPHIA JACOBS<br/>STUDENT FROM<br/>BENDIGO SE COLLEGE.</b> | <b>VISIT TO THALES<br/>FACTORY AND<br/>PRESENTATION<br/>6PM SHARP PLEASE</b> | <b>EAST LODDON STUDENTS</b>              |
| Chair       | KAY McLAUGLIN   | ROD SPITTY   | TONY PLANT                               |
| Cashiers    | KYLEE McCALMAN<br>PAUL GIBBONS.   | N/A  | JENNIE HUGHES<br>ANDREW PALMER           |
| Room Set up | MAUREEN PLANT   | N/A  | CLIVE HUGHES                             |
| Welcome     | KATIE KIM   | N/A  | OBI NWIGWE                               |
| Technology  | BERNIE / ELIZABETH  | N/A  | BERNIE/ ELIZABETH                        |
| Photography | CLIVE   | CLIVE  | CLIVE                                    |

| UPCOMING EVENTS  |   |               |                  |
|--|---|---------------|------------------|
| Date   | Event   | Location      | Contact          |
| SATURDAY<br>February 29<br>TH 2020                               | SCOTS DAY OUT BBQ<br>9AM – 4PM                              | ROSALIND PARK | GEORGE/ GARY.    |
| FRIDAY,<br>SATURDAY<br>AND SUNDAY<br>MARCH 27, 28<br>AND 29 2020 | DISTRICT 9800 CONFERENCE                                    | BENDIGO       | DISTRICT WEBSITE |
| SUNDAY<br>MARCH 29<br>2020                                       | RCBS CONDUCTING A LUNCH<br>FOR ALL CONFERENCE<br>ATTENDEES. | ROSALIND PARK | GARY / GREG      |



## 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 persons united in the ideal of service.

## CLUSTER CLUB MEETING TIMES

### DISTRICT 9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER ROTARY CLUBS

**RC KANGAROO FLAT:** Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

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

**RC BENDIGO STRATHDALE:** Tuesday 6:15pm, Bendigo Club, Park Street, Kennington.

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

**RC BENDIGO SANDHURST:** Wednesday 7.30am, Bridge Hotel, Water Street.

**RC EAGLEHAWK:** Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

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

## WHO'S WHO?

|                                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:    | Mark Maloney   |
| RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:         | Grant Hocking  |
| ASS'T GOVERNOR (Goldfields South): | Cliff Downey   |
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| CLUB PRESIDENT:                    | Glenn Madden   |
| SECRETARY:                         | Tony Plant     |
| TREASURER:                         | Kylee McCalman |
| YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR:           | Kay McLaughlin |
| INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR:    | Heather Nixon  |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR:        | Merlyn Quaife  |
| MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:               | Tom Campbell   |
| CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR:             | Elizabeth Bell |
| CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER:           | Geoff McKinna  |
| ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR:           | Sue Duncan     |
| CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:               | Matthew Scott  |
| NEWSLETTER EDITOR:                 | Paul Gibbons   |
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