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WENDY'S WORDS- President Wendy Learmount

WELCOME all to this weeks edition of the SignPost bulletin.

Thank you to all that attended the Changeover Dinner; members, guests and Friends of Rotary. It was a dinner full of enthusiasm and energy, and it is my hope to continue the rest of the year with the same level energy.

Last Thursday was about where the club is going during the next year, and how we can 'Connect to the Community'.

The main idea will be to consolidate the programs that have already been started, such as our three year Membership and Marketing plan, Midnight Basketball and our East Timor visit (have I mentioned it is only a couple of weeks away, and I am very excited about going?), and our visit from the GSE team from Turkey later in the year. Our Club will also investigate partnering with the Salvation Army in a community project, possibly a Compost Toilet for the Gravel Hill Community Garden. This garden is used by B-Tech as part of their curriculum, and in return they build structures such as fences and greenhouses. It is also used by many other groups in the local community, including the growing number of Karen refugees in Bendigo. This project will be discussed further when we have full details of the how and when, as well as whether it will indeed obtain Council approval.

There are also further investigations afoot into the possibility of hosting an outgoing Youth Exchange Student. In previous years there had been a reciprocal requirement that if you hosted an outgoing student, then you had to host an incoming student. This requirement has apparently changed. I know that quite a few members have missed the interaction created with Youth Exchange. It will be interesting to see where this leads.

I will collate the information from the survey sheet in a manner that it can be printed. The details can then be provided in a future issue of the *Signpost*.

Now, this leads onto the next area that has been identified as needing attention, and that is 'Re-skilling' of existing Rotarians and 'Skilling' (not quite real words, but it covers what I mean) of new Rotarians. As we know all things change and unless we get told what changes, we don't know... stating the obvious?... absolutely, and what we can do about it is just as obvious... 'Skilling Sessions'. This will be further developed through the year.

Please don't forget those newspaper clippings. I am wanting to put together a scrap book for this year and I know that all of you are avid newspaper readers. So please get cutting and bring them into me each Thursday. Thank You!

And finally, just to reiterate and correct the many slips of the tongue on Thursday, the meetings will be THURSDAYS, the board meetings will be the first THURSDAY of the month (with directors reports due the first Tuesday of the month). We are not changing to Monday! Put it down to excitement and that I must have been having a 'Grey Moment'. Definitely due to have my hair coloured!! (Any suggestions?)

Thank you all for your support and feedback.

Peace through Service,

Wendy

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OR, Become Our 'Friend' and 'Like' Us on Facebook
@ [facebook.com/bendigosouthrotary](https://www.facebook.com/bendigosouthrotary)



Calendar of Events

A complete list of any upcoming events for the Rotary Club of Bendigo South...

If you want an event included on this list, please advise the bulletin editor.

July

2nd

Membership Committee Meeting at Greg Noonan's house, 7:30pm

3rd

East Timor team meeting at Ros Chenery's house, 7pm.

12th

Victoria Police Chief Commissioner, Ken Lay. All Seasons International.

20th

East Timor Working Party leaves.

Overseas until August 4th.

September

6th

Club guest speaker, Gary Fitzgerald from Continuing Ed. Bendigo, talking to the club about technology matters as outlined in the Reinventing Rotary report, Part 2.

CLUB DUTY ROSTER- *This month is Literacy Month*

| DATE | 5th July | 12th July | 19th July | 26th July |
|------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|-------------------------|
| ACTIVITY | Club Committee Forum & Board Meeting | Ken Lay Night @ All Seasons | East Timor team departs, RI Conference debrief | - |
| CHAIRMAN | - | - | VACANT | VACANT |
| CASHIERS | Ros Chenery & Helene Brown | - | Matthew Scott & Ken Briggs | Bill Ashman & David Lea |
| REGALIA | VACANT | - | VACANT | VACANT |
| FELLOWSHIP | Anne Peace | - | Graham Neivandt | Tony Plant |
| RAFFLE | Ian Hangar | - | Elaine Harrington | VACANT |
| SERGEANT | Terry Dalwood | - | Jim Boyer | Lindsay Jackson |

MEETING INFORMATION

Date:

Thursday 28th June

Total Attendance: 25

Fines: None Taken

Members: 21

Raffle: \$19.50

Foundation:

Guests:

Echidna: \$8.00

N/A

Chris Parks and Mary
(RC Echuca- Moama),
Maggie Merigan- James,
Tony Plant
(Arrived as a guest, left as a
member).

CONGRATULATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

3RD JULY- RUTH O'CONNELL,

4TH JULY- DAVID LEA,

7TH JULY- KEN GITTINS,

10TH JULY- GRAHAM NEIVANDT.

ANNIVERSARIES

7TH JULY- ROS CHENERY

& MATTHEW SCOTT,

12TH JULY- LAURIE O'FARRELL,

26TH JULY- JIM BOYER.

"Well, this Thursday night I had a great feed, thanks to my new best friends, Cooper Ashman (11 y.o.) and Delta Ashman (8 y.o.), who feed me \$8 in spare change...

What a tasty meal it was indeed! I can't wait until you feed me such a delicious meal again...

All of the money that I chew through goes towards International projects...

Thanks again Cooper and Delta!!"



THIS WEEK AT THE ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH



PRESIDENT WENDY LEARMOUNT HAS HER NAME ADDED TO THE HONOUR ROLL OF CLUB PRESIDENTS.



THE ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH WELCOMES TONY PLANT BACK TO THE CLUB.

ROTARIANS, GREG NOONAN & JIM BOYER TAKE PART IN A TRAINING DAY AT EAGLEHAWK ROTARY HALL, FOR THE EAST LODDON P-12 COLLEGE COMMUNITY MENTORING PROGRAM. FELLOW ROTARIAN TONY PLANT COORDINATES THE PROGRAM.



GREG NOONAN IS PRESENTED WITH HIS MAX ELLIS AWARD TROPHY.

ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH INFORMATION

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.

WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT- Sakuji Tanaka (Kyoko)

RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR- Dennis Shore

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR (GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER)-

Rick Reid

PRESIDENT- Wendy Learmount

VICE PRESIDENT (Club Protection Officer)- Ruth O'Connell

HON. SECRETARY- Gary Pinner

HON. TREASURER- Philip Jan

CLUB SERVICE- Helene Brown (President Elect)

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/ P.R.- Jim Boyer

COMMUNITY SERVICE- Terry Dalwood

ROTARY FOUNDATION & VOCATIONAL SERVICE-

Sam Tayeh

NEW GENERATIONS- Rod Spitty

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE- Ros Chenery

SIGNPOST EDITOR- Matthew Scott- mattgscott@telstra.com

ATTENDANCE & MAKE UP OPPORTUNITIES

DISTRICT 9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER ROTARY CLUB MEETINGS

KANGAROO FLAT- Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

BENDIGO- Tuesday 12:45pm, Bendigo Club
BENDIGO STRATHDALE- Tuesday 6pm, All Seasons

ECHUCA MOAMA- Tuesday 6pm, Border Inn Moama

BENDIGO SANDHURST- Wednesday 7am, BRIT Restaurant

EAGLEHAWK- Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

ROCHESTER- Thursday 6pm, Commercial Wine Tavern

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THE FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?