

WELCOME TO THIS WEEKS EDITION OF THE SIGNPOST BULLETIN.

We had the pleasure of the company of our District Governor, Dennis Shore and his wife Lynda, last Thursday evening. Dennis spoke about the many challenges facing Rotary clubs in particular membership, and getting the club 'Fit for Purpose'. He also mentioned the presidential citation that we recently had presented to us, and that there was no reason we couldn't look to getting another one this year!!

Dennis congratulated the club and the membership committee on the work that has been done around both documents. We are well ahead of many clubs in this area, we know where we are and we know where we want to go. We also know what we want our club to look like. Dennis was very supportive of our initiatives. He is right behind our interest in chartering a new club for the X & Y age group, in conjunction with Bendigo- Strathdale. Greg Noonan has been named Special Representative to the District Governor to chair the sub committee responsible for investigating the new club.

Dennis set out 13 challenges for our club. We will work through these in the weeks to come, though there are some that we have already met and moved on to the next, but there is one challenge in particular that I would like you all to remember and take up whole heartedly.....

Not yet the Foundation, not yet to identify a young person to go to Hiroshima and we already live the theme 'Peace through Service...' But, I would like you to take up challenge number 12..... (chuckle, chuckle... because it's all about me) but seriously, I believe we have already met most of the challenges that Dennis set for us, and we can meet and exceed the rest.

Also, it was nice to see Tom at the meeting on Thursday evening.

On a different note, I would like to offer the condolences of the Club to the McKinna Family for the loss of Irene's mother early last week. Our thoughts are with you at this sad time.

**- Wendy Learmount  
 President of the ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH**



President Wendy  
 with  
 District Governor,  
 Dennis Shore  
 and his wife,  
 Linda Shore.

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# 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.

## September

### 6th September

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.

### 15th

SCOPE BBQ, "Walk with me Bendigo" event, 11am- 2pm.

### 30th

Rotary Leadership Institute Part #2, Kangaroo Flat Rotary Park. (Participants should have received details from RLI coordinators).

## October

### 6th October

Plant Sale at Elaine's, See following pages for further details...

### 11th

Dinner with Hugh Norris of Hip Pocket Work Wear. The Foundry, Tickets \$50.

### Future BBQs:

- \* Midland Irrigation, Sat 3rd November, 10am- 2pm.
- \* Swap Meet, 16- 18th Nov.
- \* MND Walk, Sun 25th Nov.

Keep these dates free and volunteer if you can!

## CLUB DUTY ROSTER- September; The Month of New Generations

DATE	6th September	13th September	20th September	27th September
ACTIVITY	New Technology, Board Meeting	East Timor Presentation	-	-
CHAIRMAN	Anne Peace	Wendy Learmount	<b>VACANT</b>	<b>VACANT</b>
CASHIERS	Bill Ashman & Elaine Harrington	Peter Ryall & Ken Briggs	Matthew Scott & Peter Ryall	Matthew Scott & Geoff McKinna
REGALIA	Ian Ellis	Ruth O'Connell	Anne Peace	Ros Chenery
FELLOWSHIP	<b>VACANT</b>	Matthew Scott	Elaine Harrington	<b>VACANT</b>
RAFFLE	Geoff McKinna	Helene Brown	Ros Chenery	Ron Deveraux
SERGEANT	Lindsay Jackson	Gary Pinner	Lindsay Jackson	<b>VACANT</b>

## MEETING INFORMATION

Meeting information for the 30th August, not yet made available at time of SignPost publication.



*"Well, it was great to have the District Governor visit us last week..."*

*I'm surprised that President Wendy gave up the microphone to him so freely!"*

## THIS WEEKS GUEST SPEAKER

This week's guest speaker is Gary Fitzgerald, who will be speaking on Communication Technology.

This topic was a recommendation of the Reinventing Rotary – Part 2 report.

This presentation will be an opportunity for members to receive an overview of communication technology currently available, how it works and how to access it. Mr Fitzgerald will also discuss why it is important that our club embraces such new technology to aid in marketing itself.

- Greg Noonan  
Membership Committee

## RELAY FOR LIFE- PLANT SALE

### *Relay for Life Fundraiser*

A Plant Sale will be held at Elaine's place on Saturday 6th October from 9:30 am.

Volunteers will be appreciated on the day to set up, sell and chat happily to our customers.

Enough volunteers will mean that we can offer, for a small cost, a cuppa and bikkie or two. Please give this a thought. There is plenty of room, plenty of chairs etc. Time to sit and chat ..... and be informed about Relay for Life and the reality of Rotary's involvement in community service.

Thanks to those who have already given time and plants. We have a great variety and the more the merrier. So keep on potting!

Please think about joining our team in 2013.

We had 18 participants in 2012 and raised just over \$2000.00. Great fun, for a great cause!!

I don't have a date for Relay event yet but will pass it on when I do.

- Elaine Harrington

# THE ROTARY FOUNDATION- IS IT RELEVANT TODAY?

A lot has been said about the Rotary Foundation of late. The District Governor mentioned it last week during his visit, and at the Rotary Leadership Institute, we were educated on the Rotary Foundation.

This article from the D9800 website may be of interest to those, who are interested in knowing more about the Rotary Foundation.

- Matthew Scott, SignPost Editor.

In 1917, Rotary International President, Arch Klumph established what has now become The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

Its purpose was 'doing good in the world', in charitable, educational or other avenues of service.

The first 10 years saw less than US \$10,000 donated by Rotarians. The fund continued to languish up until the death of Paul Harris in 1947. Over the next year Rotarians donated over US \$1 million dollars in recognition of the life and work of Paul Harris.

It was in 1947 that the first 18 Rotary Foundation Fellows for Advanced Studies (now known as Ambassadorial Scholars) were sent overseas for study.

The Foundation has only changed slightly over the 90 years of its existence and its mission today is now expressed as 'to support the efforts of Rotary International to achieve world peace and understanding through international humanitarian, educational and cultural exchange programs'.

Without the Foundation well over 3,000,000 children would either be maimed or dead today as a direct result of polio, but were saved by the Rotary Foundation's PolioPlus Program.

Since our global assault against polio began in 1985, over 2 billion children have been vaccinated. Rotarians have committed in excess of US\$881 million, 210 countries, territories, and regions around the world are now polio-free.

Rotarians have been mobilised by the hundreds of thousands to ensure that children are immunised and that surveillance is strong despite the poor infrastructure, extreme poverty, and civil disorder of many countries.

Our cause now has Bill Gates, who addressed the 2009 San Diego International Assembly and stated "Rotary in particular has inspired my own personal commitment to get deeply involved in achieving eradication".

Through the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Rotary has been awarded two challenge grants totalling US\$355 million to strongly support our resolve to eradicate the remaining 1% of global polio cases in all but 4 countries.

- Without the Foundation, millions of people would be blind but are saved as a result of Rotary eye camps funded with the assistance of our Foundation.
- Without the Foundation, millions of people would be dying from disease from drinking polluted water if it not for the 'Save Water, Save Lives' project. This project not only provided clean water for drinking, but also includes dams providing water.
- Without the Foundation, children in the Solomon Islands, Bangladesh, Thailand and Timor Leste had little opportunity to attend a school. Their families had always been illiterate and the cycle would have continued unbroken had it not been for the Foundation sponsored literacy programs.
- Without the Foundation, volunteers would not build hospitals, provide equipment (some of it obsolete in Australia, but state of the art in third world countries) and transport it through 'Donations In Kind' programs.
- Without the Foundation, untold numbers of Tibetans would have died from Tuberculosis that was rampant in that country. The Rotary Club of Sunshine contributed \$10,000 and received a \$270,000 humanitarian grant from the Foundation that went a long way to eliminating Tuberculosis from that country.
- Without the Foundation, 30,000 Solomon Islanders would not have become direct beneficiaries of Rotary's Malaria Prevention Program initiated through a US\$200,000 '3H grant' (*Health, Hunger and Humanity*), that was initiated and managed by a Rotary Club from Kenmore in Queensland and a Rotary Club in Honiara from the Solomon Islands.

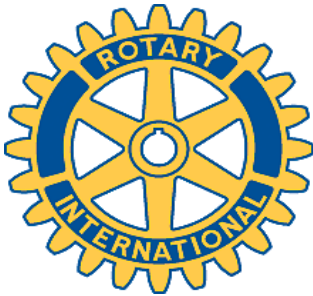
In summary - a world without The Rotary Foundation would be a world dying from polio, with people blinded by cataracts, drinking diseased and polluted water, illiterate children having little hope for a future, people suffering and dying from inadequate medical facilities, suffering from ignorance about basic hygiene - all of the aspects of life we take for granted.

For each of these problems there is an appropriate Rotary Foundation solution available. All it needs is for you to become involved.

For if you do become involved, you can say -

- Somewhere I have taught a child to read but will never hear that child speak.
- Somewhere I have built a house that I will never enter.
- Somewhere I have built a water tank but I will never taste its cool clean water.
- Somewhere with my help, a child is alive; runs and skips on strong legs, because I paid for a polio vaccine received by the child.

Is the Rotary Foundation relevant today? OF COURSE IT IS!



Rotary Club of Bendigo South Inc

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME!!



Workwear & Safety

## Hugh Norris Founder & Chief Executive Officer Hip Pocket Work Wear

Founded in the central Victorian city of Bendigo in 1993 by third-generation 'rag trader' Hugh Norris, Hip Pocket is wholly Australian owned and operated. There are 32 stores across Australia and 2 in Papua New Guinea. Using national buying power, Hip Pocket's locally owned stores have a unique place in the safety workwear, corporate clothing and protective clothing market.

### BRW fast franchises—2012

For a third year in a row Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety has cemented its position as the fastest growing Workwear & Safety franchise in Australia; with sales revenue increasing by over 35.8% to \$33 Million. Founder and CEO Hugh Norris said "sales growth has come through the existing stores and not just from new store openings; showing the continued strong organic growth of the 32 stores in Australia and 2 in PNG". Mr Norris went onto say "Hip Pocket Workwear & Safety is very proud to be listed for a third year in a row on the prestigious BRW Fast Franchises listing." (February 2012 Edition)



Learn about:

- how this successful retail business competes against the internet.
- Franchising issues

**DATE:** Thursday, 11 October, 2012

**VENUE:** Foundry Complex, 366 High St, Bendigo

**TIME:** 6.00pm for 6.30pm Price Includes 2 course dinner

**For ticket enquiries contact:**

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Bendigo, 3552  
www.bendigosouthrotary.org.au

Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ tickets @ \$50pp OR I/We wish to book \_\_\_\_\_ tables at the Hip Pocket Dinner @ \$440 per table.

Send to: .Name.....  
Address.....

**Payment details**

**Direct credit**   
Bendigo Bank BSB 633108 Account No 103497236

**Credit Card** Visa  Mastercard

Card number ---/---/---/--- Expiry date --/--

Name on card .....

Signature .....

Email Address .....

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## 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-**

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**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE-** Ros Chenery

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## 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

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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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?