

"HELLO, HELLO, HELLO"

Welcome to this weeks edition of the SignPost Bulletin...

It was great to see so many at our East Timor presentation evening; friends, guests, partners and visiting Rotarians.

The presentation consisted of an East Timorese background by Greg Noonan, the building project by Terry Potter, the women's project by Ros Chenery, supported by Matthew Scott with photos and comic relief by 'yours truly'. Unfortunately, it had to be a very condensed version of our trip due to time constraints. There were many side stories that could have been told, from the most uncomfortable night spent at Darwin Airport, where every 45 minutes, on the PA system all you could hear was 'Welcome to Darwin International Airport' and 'this is the final call for....' who ever happened to be missing from the next flight. There must have been at least four final calls for each person on each flight! So not much sleep was had there! From there we were checked through an number of security stations, including the 'random' checks for drugs and explosives. We decided they were bored and we looked like happy travelers. Finally, boarding the smaller plane for our flight to Dili, only to be delayed because they had the wrong paperwork! The arrival in Dili, warm weather, more paperwork to do, visas to organise, more security, more baggage to be opened and rummaged through, breakfast with the nuns, handover from the previous team, then finally on the road. That long and winding road of potholes and crevasses! 74km! Four hours of driving, (and nowhere safe for our tired young bulletin editor to rest his weary head!) We arrive at our final destination, tired, very tired, and hungry, but with much enthusiasm for the next two weeks.

That time was all that I could have hoped for. Spending the time in the village, out of contact with the world that I know. Being absorbed and accepted into the life of Maubisse. The big smiles, the friendly people, the different lifestyle.

I will go back again sometime. As a Rotarian volunteer or as a tourist? I don't know, but I will get back there one day.

**- Wendy Learmount**

**President of the ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH  
and East Timor Working Party Member.**



Rotary Club President, Wendy Learmount presents 'Feather duster' Ruth O'Connell (Past President) with her bound copy of the SIGNPOST bulletin from her time as club President 2011- 2012.

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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

### 25th

Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale  
Footy Fever Night. 7- 9pm at Kangaroo Flat Rotary Club Gateway Park.  
\$20 (Pie and dessert included),  
RSVP to the club by 21st Sept.  
Email: marypreston@impulse.net.au or phone 5446 1515.

### 27th

La Trobe University BBQ.  
Volunteers Needed between 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.

### 28th

Rotary Club of Hawthorn, "Concert of the Stars" Event.  
Contact Noel Halford for more info, 0419018901.

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

DATE	20th September	27th September	4th October	11th October
ACTIVITY	-	-	Club Committee Forum/ Board Meeting	Hugh Norris Guest Speaker Evening
CHAIRMAN	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT	VACANT
CASHIERS	Matthew Scott & Peter Ryall	Matthew Scott & Geoff McKinna	Helene Brown & Peter Ryall	Ros Chenery & VACANT
REGALIA	Anne Peace	Ros Chenery	VACANT	VACANT
FELLOWSHIP	Elaine Harrington	VACANT	Ian Ellis	VACANT
RAFFLE	Ros Chenery	Ron Deveraux	Ruth O'Connell	Rod Spitty
SERGEANT	Lindsay Jackson	Andrew 'Chocolate King' Palmer	VACANT	VACANT

## RECENT MEETING INFORMATION

Communications and  
Technology Meeting

**Date:**

**Thursday 6th September**

<b>Total Attendance:</b>	21	<b>Fines:</b> \$23
<b>Members:</b>	20	<b>Raffle:</b> \$25.70
<b>Foundation:</b> N/A	<b>Guests:</b> Gary Fitzgerald (guest speaker)	<b>Echidna &amp; the Echuca Kangaroo:</b> \$30.45

East Timor

**Date:**

**Thursday 13th September**

Presentation Evening

<b>Total Attendance:</b>	34	<b>Fines:</b> \$53.80
<b>Members:</b>	24	<b>Raffle:</b> \$28.50
<b>Foundation:</b> N/A	<b>Guests:</b> Leon Scott (RC Eaglehawk), Verna Ashman, Sharon Pfeiffer, Terry Potter (East Timor Team), Trish Potter; Max Elgin (East Timor Team), Helen Elgin, Robin Gray, Stephanie Corsetti (ABC local radio), Sarah Lawrence (Prime 7 TV).	<b>Echidna:</b> \$6.55

## RELAY FOR LIFE- PLANT SALE

**Next Relay Date: 3rd & 4th May 2013**

### **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

# UPCOMING EVENTS

## 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 in-creasing 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 com-petes against the internet.
- Franchising issues

*Members of the public are Welcome!*



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*"Well, what a great meeting we had last week, hearing about the gangs trip to East Timor...  
 I wish that I could have gone, but you know how strict they are with quarantine and all the rest!!  
 It was great to see so many guests and visitors at our meeting also.  
 Welcome to our club!!  
 Hope to see you again soon!!"*



# EAST TIMOR PRESENTATION EVENING



**EAST TIMOR WORKING PARTY TEAM MEMBERS  
 WENDY LEARMOUNT, GREG NOONAN, ROS  
 CHENERY, MATTHEW SCOTT, MAX ELGIN,  
 TERRY POTTER  
 AND KEN BRIGGS (AROUND THE CORNER)**

**EAST TIMOR WORKING PARTY TEAM MEMBERS  
 BEING PRESENTED WITH THEIR  
 'ROS RESCUE AWARDS' AND RECALLING THE  
 LIGHTER MOMENTS OF THE TRIP.**





## 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](mailto: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

## 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?