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Welcome to this weeks edition of the SignPost...

Well, what an exciting meeting it was that we had last week!

Those of us who have not been 'bitten by the travel bug' were treated to a talk from our very own travelling trio: Matthew, Ros and Tony.

Matthew spoke about his pilgrimage in July/ August to attend the Catholic World Youth Day event in Brazil, as well as telling us about his mission component of the trip to Chile. Matthew had some lovely photos to show us of the event, some of which included a photo standing near the Rotary plaque at the base of the Christ Redeemer statue in Rio de Janeiro, in addition to a photograph of when Matthew was lucky enough to meet Australian Cardinal, George Pell.

One point of Matthew's talk that stood out for most members was that when the final World Youth Day mass was held on Copacabana Beach in Rio de Janeiro, all of the 4 million participants on the beach and neighbouring streets was given holy communion. What a staggering thought that so many people could be in the one place at the one time, and every one of them received the Eucharist!

In addition to Matthew's talk, Ros Chenery spoke about her trip to South Africa with her choir, The Women of Note. Ros told us some interesting facts about Nelson Mandela and his incarceration many years ago. This seems all the more pertinent now in light of his recent passing. Ros also brought in many souvenirs to show us from her trip to South Africa, as well as showing us photos of her safari experience and the social occasions which she shared with the natives.

Finally, Tony Plant told us about his trip to Europe for the Rotary cricketing fellowship. Tony came dressed for the occasion, wearing his baggy green cap (that is the Rotary cricketing baggy green hat!) Tony also provided us with an update on how our former exchange student Pierre was going, as well as showing us photos of Pierre's house and his step- father's restaurant in Paris.

It was a fabulous occasion and opportunity last week to find out what our fellow members get up to when they are not at Rotary, as well as hearing about and seeing firsthand other parts of this great big wide world of ours.

Don't forget that our Christmas dinner will be coming up on the 19th December. It will be held at the Foundry, but **for catering purposes we need to know exact numbers ASAP. We won't be holding the event in the larger room, so it may be the case that anyone who doesn't let us know that they are attending will not be able to dine with us if they don't record their attendance with the club beforehand.**

Now that all of the serious matters are out of the way, don't forget that we have the City of Greater Bendigo Council staff Christmas BBQ on this Friday, so if you have said that you'll be able to volunteer for this, then make a note of this in your diary. Christmas Cakes/ Panfortes & Puddings are still available for sale as well, so contact Terry if you haven't yet made your purchase.

Looking forward to seeing you again on the 19th December, as I will not be able to attend this coming weeks meeting. I'm sure that PP Wendy Learmount or PE Rod Spitty will look after the Rotary Club in my absence.

Engage Rotary, Change lives.

Helene Brown - *President of the Rotary Club of Bendigo South*

CALENDAR KEY:

- Family/ Social Events
- Guest Speakers
- Connect to Community Events
- Other Events

WHEN?	WHAT?	WHERE? (Details & Contact Info)
December	Rotary Family	
Thursday 12	Guest Speaker- Jeanette O'Brien of Bendigo Health (Standby 24/7)	Foundry Complex
Thursday 19	Christmas Dinner - \$25 per person	Family & Partner Night
Thursday 26	Rotary Christmas Break	
2014	Rotary Awareness	
January		
Thursday 2	Rotary Christmas Break	
Thursday 9	BBQ & Outdoor Movie	Family Night Partner Night
Thursday 16	Guest Speaker- Rotary Friendship/ Fellowship Exchanges	Foundry Complex
Thursday 23	No Meeting due to Australia Day	
Thursday 30	Fellowship & Family Night	
February	World Understanding	
Thursday 6	Board Meeting & Club Forum	Foundry Complex
Thursday 13	Guest Speaker- Kaye Greaves (Bendigo Refugee Health)	Foundry Complex

** As we enter 2014, this calendar will be extended to reflect the club's events forward of February.

CHRISTMAS CAKE & PUDDING NEWS

In recent years, it has been our Club's practice prior to Christmas for members to contribute cakes and puddings to a collection for donation to some worthy charity.

A list was circulated at last week's meeting to start this process again and the response was very positive. The recipient this year will be **St Vincent de Paul** who will distribute our donations to local needy families.

SVDP would like to have the goods by the start of next week to fit with their schedule, so **THIS WEEK WILL BE THE FINAL CHANCE FOR MEMBERS TO CONTRIBUTE**. Please come to the meeting prepared to make any commitment you wish. Members and friends unable to be present at the meeting will be able to contribute to this appeal by phoning Terry Dalwood on 0400 476 204 or by email to dalwoods@bigpond.com.

Thanks to those members who responded to last week's appeal for further helpers for this major fundraiser.

- Terry Dalwood



C.O.G.B BBQ ROSTER

WEEKLY CLUB DUTY ROSTER-

December 2013

DATE OF EVENT: THIS FRIDAY - 13th DEC. 2013

*** Set up Crew**

8 am – 10 am (4) volunteers required.

Gary Pinner

Lindsay Jackson

Graham Neivandt,

(1) Other required.....

*** Food Preparation, Serving & Pack up**

11 am - 2 pm (8- 10) Volunteers required.

Tony Plant

Rod Spitty

Wendy Learmount

Max Ellis

Maggie Merrigan- James

Robin Sheppard

Gary Pinner

All other volunteers will be most welcome

Cheers,

Gary

Venue: Town Hall Gardens between Hargreaves

Street & Lyttleton Terrace.

Rotary Club of Bendigo South, December Roster

Theme for month – Rotary Family

Dates	12 th	19 th	26 th
Guest speaker	Guest Speaker Jeanette O'Brien Bendigo Health Standby 24/7	Christmas Dinner Platinum Room	Christmas Break
Chair Person	David Lea	Wendy Learmount	NA
Cashiers	Bernie Young Ros Chenery	Rod Spitty Ruth O'Connell	NA
Regalia and badges.	Anna Kollar	Ian Ellis	NA
Raffle	Cora Fuentes-Mahnic	Ros Chenery	NA
Fellowship	Andrew Palmer	Elaine Harrington	NA
Sergeant	Lindsay Jackson	Andrew Palmer	NA

If you are unable to complete your duty please arrange a substitute.

WEEKLY CLUB DUTY ROSTER - January 2014

Rotary Club of Bendigo South, January Roster

Theme for month – Rotary Awareness

Dates	2 nd	9 th	16 th	23 rd	30 th
Guest speaker	Christmas Break	Fellowship and Family Night BBQ & Outdoor movie	Guest Speaker Friendship Exchange & Rotary Jeanette Lynch & Dr Leon Lew	No meeting due to Australia Day	Fellowship and Family Night
Chair Person	NA	NA	Anne Peace	NA	Wendy Learmount
Cashiers	NA	VACANT & Mark Mott	VACANT & Wendy Learmount	NA	Ros Chenery & VACANT
Regalia and badges.	NA	Gary Pinner	Andrew Palmer	NA	Gary Pinner
Raffle	NA	Elaine Harrington	Rod Spitty	NA	Anna Kollar
Fellowship	NA	Andrew Palmer	Anna Kollar	NA	Andrew Palmer
Sergeant	NA	NA	Tony Plant	NA	Mark Mott

If you are unable to complete your duty please arrange a substitute.

A Call For



Hope
Empowerment
Love for the
Philippines

a benefit concert

History Makers

*Bendigo Filipino Foundation Inc
Haiyan Appeal*

Friday at 7:00pm
13 December 2013
(Doors open at 6.30pm)

Church Auditorium
6 Kairn Road Strathdale

Tickets: \$25

Featuring cultural and modern dances, songs, instrument playing and Christmas carols.

For more information:
Call 0420 465 527 or email
bendigofilipinofoundation@gmail.com

Available at:

St Liborius Church
383 Eaglehawk Road Eaglehawk
Phone: 5446 8235

Bendigo Cardiac Care
479 High Street Golden Square
Phone: 4433 1661

Date: 5th December 2013

Attendance figures:

17 members,
12 apologies.

2 guests including;

Anna Kollar (Exchange Student)
&
Brenton Johnson (RC Horsham East).

No fines session was held,
Other financial details not available at the time of the SignPost being produced.

"I can't believe that out of Matt, Ros and Tony, not one of them offered to put me in their suitcase and take me on their holiday as well!!"

I'll just rub it in next time I go on holiday somewhere!!"



BIRTHDAYS:-

- Helene Brown - December 11th
- Elaine Harrington - December 23rd
- Bill Ashman - December 25th
- Greg Noonan - December 28th

ANNIVERSARIES:-

- Elaine Harrington - December 15th
- Rod Spitty - December 18th

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- Ron D. Burton

RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR- Ross Butterworth

ASSISTANT GOVERNOR (GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER)-

Grant Hocking

PRESIDENT- Helene Brown

PRESIDENT ELECT (Club Service)- Rod Spitty

HON. SECRETARY (Club Protection Officer)- Peter Ryall

HON. TREASURER- Jim Boyer

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/ P.R.- Andrew Palmer

COMMUNITY SERVICE- Ian Ellis

ROTARY FOUNDATION & FELLOWSHIP- Wendy Learmount

VOCATION- Geoff McKinna

NEW GENERATIONS- Tony Plant

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE- Ros Chenery

PROGRAM COORDINATOR- Anne Peace

DIRECTOR OF CLUB COMMUNICATIONS-

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

BENDIGO NEXT GENERATION- Wednesday 7pm, The Exchange (Beneath Bendigo Bank)

ECHUCA MOAMA- Tuesday 6pm, Border Inn Moama

BENDIGO SANDHURST- Wednesday 7am, BRIT Restaurant

EAGLEHAWK- Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

ROCHESTER- Thursday 6pm, Shamrock Hotel function room.

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BENDIGO SOUTH ATTENDANCE OFFICER

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THE FOURWAYTEST

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?