

# Rotary SignPost Bendigo South



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MEETS THURSDAYS

6pm for 6:30pm

@ THE FOUNDRY HOTEL

"Connect to the Community"

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## **Welcome to this week's edition of the Signpost**

**Businesses That Fail to Plan- Plan to Fail.** This is a very common statement used by many business coaches and mentors. We could extend this notion to voluntary organisations too. Perhaps not so much that a lack of forward planning will cause a voluntary organisation to completely fail but will generally waste a lot of their member's time and perhaps cause unnecessary inefficient practices to occur. Hopefully by investing some of our time, as some members have done today in contributing to a future three year vision, then each of our directors follow up with contributions to a yearly business plan we go some way to ensure we can all be on the same page, work together and use our volunteer time more productively to achieve some agreed upon future goals. Thank you to all those members who came along today and participated in this exercise. Findings will be circulated to all members as soon as the collation is complete for additional comments and ideas.

At this week's board meeting we approved a \$1000 donation to be made to the Local Foodshare organisation and a further donation of \$900 was approved to the Women of Note Choir. Essentially these two amounts were funded from the profits made at the Easter Barbeques. Also the board agreed to support the Fiji project to the amount of \$2200 with other funds coming via private donations. Please consider coming along next Saturday morning to help load the truck with the tables and chairs and also consider making the trip down to DIK on Sunday morning to unload. Gary Pinner will provide necessary details of times and strategies so make contact with him if you need clarification of arrangements. Also George will circulate a roster in a day or two. I thank Bill, Gary and Anne for their dedication in making this rather tricky project finally come to fruition.

I would also ask each director to start considering the content of their Annual reports and forward to our Secretary by no later than the third week of May. It will be my intention to have written copies of our Annual report for all members at our last club meeting on June 16. This will provide the content for our final reporting activity to all members on this night covering the entire year. Our final night will be held on Thursday June 23 and will be very informal to celebrate the hard work conducted by our club during the rotary year. Venue will be the Marong Public Hall with the theme being *Hicks and Hayseeds* –so come dressed in your straw hats, jeans and flannel shirts etc. Local Bush poet and storyteller namely Geoffrey Graham will provide some Aussie renditions, catering will be country buffet style provided by the caterers based at the Bendigo Pottery. Drinks will be BYO. There will be a few major cheques presentations made to some of our nominated recipients but intention to be a fun event. Cost will be reasonable but still yet to be determined.

I am also very pleased to inform all members that we will soon have a new member joining us in Lindsay Jolly who will be transferring from the Rotary Club of Bright. Ruth O 'Connell, while selling boat raffle tickets, used one of our *Be my Guest For Dinner* Cards. Lindsay took up the offer, made the call, came along and had a look and as they say in the classics-*The Rest is History!* Lindsay is a past President and comes to us with a vast amount of rotary experience and knowledge.

This week's meeting is at the Science Discovery Centre. Roll up at the door as near to 6 pm. If I hear that anyone goes to the Foundry I will know for sure you are not reading my reports. Dinner will follow soon after at a nearby café where you order what you want off the menu. See you all there.

Tony Plant

President Bendigo South Rotary Club

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# 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

## WHO'S WHO?

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:** K.R. "RAVI" Ravindran

**RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:** Julie Mason

**ASSISTANT GOVERNORS (GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER):**

Gary McClure (Goldfields South) & Greg Noonan (Goldfields North)

**PRESIDENT:** Tony Plant

**SECRETARY / CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER:** Bernie Young

**TREASURER:** Greg Noonan

**MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT/ P.R.:** Rod Spitty

**COMMUNITY SERVICE:** Gary Pinner

**CLUB SERVICE:** Ros Chenery

**ROTARY FOUNDATION:** Anne Peace

**VOCATION:** Ruth O'Connell

**YOUTH SERVICES:** Matthew Scott

**INTERNATIONAL SERVICE:** Steven Lee

**PROGRAM COORDINATOR:** Rod Spitty / Anne Peace

**CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:** Matthew Scott

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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 6:15pm, Nancy Long Dining Room, La Trobe Uni.

**BENDIGO NEXT GENERATION:** Wednesday 6:30pm, Shamrock Hotel

**ECHUCA MOAMA:** Tuesday 6pm, Border Inn Moama

**BENDIGO SANDHURST:** Wednesday 7.30am, BRIT Restaurant

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

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

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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?