Rotary Club of Bendigo South SIGNPOST

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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Lakeview Hotel (TBC weekly)

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President's Report

My (younger) brother John gave a very informative presentation about his book 'Viking Boys' and the process involved in realising he actually had the makings of a book after investigating the case for a possible posthumous Victoria Cross. John, who lives in Newcastle with his wife Kim, presented via Zoom and had photos and maps to add to the details of Beaufighter pilot James Hakewell and his navigator Fred Sides who died in the Norwegian Fiord at Osta. When John retired from full time service with the RAAF having achieved the rank of Air Vice-Marshall, he was appointed to the Defence Honours and Awards Appeals Tribunal and had chaired the panel that considered James Hakewell for the award of said posthumous Victoria Cross.

John emailed me this morning to say that it is the Rotary Club of Orsta that has been the driving force in keeping the Memorial maintained and the story alive in Orsta. If your Norwegian is any good, you can read about their interest here and see a picture of the Memorial: https://orsta.rotary.no/no/prosjekt#.Yux TXYeNhF

John indeed was a 'Top Gun' and is renowned in RAAF circles for ejecting from his Mirage over the sea when landing gear failed. He ejected lower than the recommended height in order to not have the plane crash into houses but go in to the ocean. His salvaged aircraft is on display at the front of the Darwin Museum.

I hope some of you are able to attend the Auction being conducted by RC Sandhurst and raising money for Foundation. We also have the working bee with RC Keilor East at Camp Getaway coming up. Friday night dinner at the Axedale Tavern and/or gardening etc on Saturday and Sunday. Details of both these events have been circulated in the Signpost.

Merlyn Quaife AM





AUGUST PROGRAM

Thurs 11th August Lake View Hotel

Guest Speaker – Chris Rowlands

Community Engagement Manger NBN

Chair – Peter Kilpatrick

Thurs 18th August Lake View Hotel

Guest Speaker – Cathie Miller

Presentation of Zone 8 Regionalisation Project

Chair – Merlyn Quaife

Followed by August Board Meeting

Thurs 25th August Lake View Hotel

Guest Speaker – Russell Hayes & Grant Klaaysen

East coast coordinators

Presentation – Wheelchairs for kids via ZOOM

Chair – Matthew Scott

UPCOMING EVENTS CALENDAR

- Science & Engineering Challenge Regional Event Central Victoria Monday 22nd August - Bendigo South East College Stadium
- James Morrison with the City of Greater Bendigo Brass Band Concert Sunday 9th October 2pm Ulumbarra Theatre Bendigo
- Science & Engineering Challenge National Final
 Thursday 20th and Friday 21st October Bendigo South East College Stadium
- Maubisse Film Night Thursday 27th October (details to follow)
- Swap Meet
 Friday12th, Saturday 13th, Sunday 14th November (details to follow)





Chris Rowlands - Community Engagement Manager NBN

Chris Rowlands is **nbn** Local's Community Engagement Manager for north west Victoria covering the area from Macedon Ranges in the south to Mildura in the north west. Prior to joining **nbn**, Chris worked in several community development, planning and innovation roles in Local Government. He is responsible for working with local governments, regional development organisations and other partners across the region to lift digital capability and inclusion.

James Morrison & the City of Greater Bendigo Brass Band

Tickets are available for club members, partners and friends at a discounted price if purchased directly from the club. There are 50 reserved seats all in prime positions and they will be sold on a first in best dressed arrangement. They are available at \$50 per person, as compared to \$59 if purchased from Gotix. Should you wish to reserve yours early please let Tony Plant know and he will put you on the list. We should have the actual tickets to distribute in the next couple of weeks. Payment will need to made into the Projects account and please make sure you include your name and the word "CONCERT" with your online payment.

Please see attachment for more information.

Annual Working Bee/ Social Weekend at Camp Getaway

RC of Keilor East sent the following message to President Merlyn:

Last night we celebrated our connection with Rotary District 9800's Camp Getaway at Axedale in Central Victoria with lots of photos and shared memories. We have helped there on at least one weekend per year for a long time. As supporters of Keilor East Rotary, you would be most welcome to join us this year. There is no cost, except we buy our own meal at Axedale Tavern on Friday evening after settling into the delightful cabins and dormitories. I hope you enjoy the presentation (attached).

Very best regards,

Yvonne Osborn





The annual working bee weekend is held in early September (dates to be confirmed). Please have a think if you would like to participate in any or all of the following:

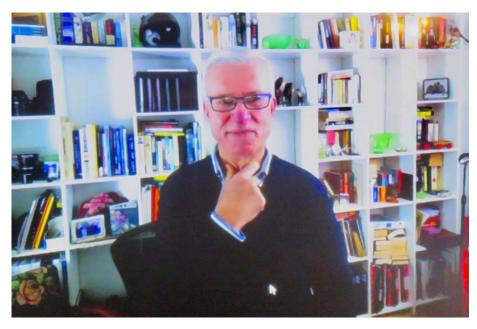
- 1. Friday dinner at the Axedale Tavern (order from the menu).
- 2. Saturday gardening etc. and BBQ Lunch
- 3. Saturday Social Dinner hosted by Keilor East Rotary at the Camp
- 4. Sunday more tasks and Lunch.



Past member Terry Dalwood and Fran Dalwood had a quick visit to Bendigo last Tuesday for a catch up with Greg, Rod, Gary and Hon Member Laurie at Malayan Orchid Restaurant.







John Quaife AM presenting to the club on his book "Viking Boys".









Craig Wright being officially welcomed back to our Club with his new name tag



THE FOUR WAY TEST

- Is it the TRUTH
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
 - Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned

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: Jennifer Jones RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR: Amanda Wendt

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CLUB PRESIDENT Merlyn Quaife AM **SECRETARY** Paul Gibbons **TREASURER Greg Noonan** YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR Mark Tracy INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR Lindsay Jolley COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR **Emily Mudge** MEMBERSHIP & MARKETING DIRECTOR **Tony Plant** CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR **Rod Spitty CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER** Geoff McKinna **ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR** Susan Ducan **Gary Pinner FUND-RAISING and FINANCE CLUB COMMUNICATIONS Matthew Scott**

CLUSTER CLUB MEETING TIMES

DISTRICT 9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER ROTARY CLUBS

RC KANGAROO FLAT: Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

Secretary - Geoff Wakefield 0408510218

RC BENDIGO: Tuesday 12:45pm, Bendigo Club, Park Street, Kennington.

Secretary: Danielle Ioniescu – 5444 0190 secretary@rotarybendigo.org.au

RC ECHUCA MOAMA: Last Tuesday of month - 6 for 6:30pm, Rotary Community Park, Rose Street, Echuca.

Zoe Pocock

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7.30am, New Meeting Venue to be advised.

Secretary: John Harkin - 0409957000

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

Contact on 0428468298

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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

Contact - Heather Watson on 0439842177

RC CASTLEMAINE: Wednesday 6:30pm, The Cumberland Hotel

Secretary - Lyndal McClure 044339116