

Rotary Club of Bendigo South **SIGNPOST**

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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Bendigo Tennis Centre (TBC)

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President's Report 16, 2021.

Welcome once again to all members of the Rotary Club of Bendigo South.

I wish to start my report this week by thanking the new members in the second-round of presentations to club members last week. It was great to learn more about these two members and their experiences, and it was great to officially welcome Lyn and Greg to Bendigo South.

Thanks to the writing skills of Anne and our good record keeping, we have been successful in being awarded from the District the **'Sustainability in Environment'** for our Seedlings project. Anne and Heather were able to collect this award on our behalf on the Weekend.

So, to quote a famous songwriter "From little things big things grow"! We have been successful in booking a bus to transport the planters to East Gippsland on the planting weekend planned for **JULY 23-25, 2021. More details in a separate information sheet.**

It's that time of the year again it with great anticipation I wish to announce that the Club Changeover Dinner will be held on **Thursday June 24 at Pratty's Patch, Monsants Road, Maiden Gully, 6 for 6.30 pm.** The cost of the celebration will be \$45.00 per person.

I look forward to seeing everybody at the Tennis Centre on Thursday Evening. We have a great local speaker to kick off our Month of May Program. James Findley is a producer and member of the local ABC Radio team and it will be interesting to hear about his experiences over his radio career.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CUTOFF FOR DINNER MEETING ATTENDANCE CONFIRMATION IS THIS WEDNESDAY AT HIGH NOON. CONTACT ROD SPITTY BY E MAIL OR PHONE.

PAUL GIBBONS PRESIDENT 20/21

The Rotary Club of Bendigo South -

"Connect to the Community"



MEETING OUR NEWEST MEMBERS – Part Two



Welcome to Lyn Comer, & Greg Penno – again each member's talk was so interesting, and entertaining- thank you for sharing!



MAY IS

Week 1

3 May 2021

YOUTH

SERVICE

MONTH

A large group of young people, mostly of South American descent, are posing for a photo outdoors. They are holding up various national flags, including those of Chile, Argentina, and others. They are smiling and looking towards the camera.

The Rotary International logo, featuring a yellow gear-like wheel with a blue center and the words "ROTARY" and "INTERNATIONAL" in blue.

Developing the next generation of leaders—helping our youth build leadership skills, expand education and learn the value of service.

MAY PROGRAM

May-Youth		
	Thurs May 6 Dinner Meeting	Tennis Centre- speaker – James Findlay – ABC Radio Chair - TBA Cashiers – Trevor Hawking & Rod Spitty
	Thurs May 13 Dinner Meeting	Latrobe UNI Scholarship - Health Science Winner and the Engineering Winner -will be invited to speak followed by board meeting
	Thurs May 20 Dinner Meeting	Tennis Club venue- Secondary School winners invited to speak Cashiers - Bernie Young & Andrew Palmer
	Thurs 27 th	Cashiers - Cashiers - Geoff McKinna & Katie Kim

RSVP to Rod Spitty – 0402883747 or rspitty@gmail.com by **Midday Wednesday please**

Our Guest Speaker – James Findlay – Producer – ABC Breakfast Radio

James is an experienced radio producer, broadcaster, writer and journalist. Before arriving at ABC Central Victoria, James was at triple j for over three years producing programs including new music program Good Nights, sex and relationships show The Hook Up, and Double J podcast Bang On, hosted by Myf Warhurst and Zan Rowe.

He also produced casually across a range of programs at ABC Radio Melbourne and ABC Radio Sydney.

Before the ABC, James was the Program Director of LGBTI community radio station JOY 94.9 and News Editor of LGBTI street press MCV. In 2016 he won the GLOBE Award for Media Excellence.

In 2020, James' first book, Great Sexpectations, was published through Trigger Publishing. It was co-authored with sex-therapist and clinical psychologist Gemma Cribb. James holds a Master of Public Health, with a major in sexual health. He has also tutored journalism at the University of Melbourne.

Follow James on Twitter [@james_findlay](https://twitter.com/james_findlay).



Don't forget:

Upcoming District 9800 Events:

- Eaglehawk Car Boot Sale May 8th at California Gully (see attachment)
- Moonee Valley Art Show is happening on Fri 14th May 2021 (see attachment).
- July 23-25 Weekend Seed Planting to Gippsland (see attachment)

* 100 GOOD TURNS FOR THIS ROTARY YEAR

Don't forget to send in your good turns to Glenn, or by return email to me, if you wish. Would love to publish some good deeds each week

Steven Lee introduced us to Legacy and explained how they help – 2018 The Foundry





Connecting to the COMMUNITY.

Rotary

Club of Bendigo South Inc.



SUGGESTED GUIDE FOR SEEDLINGS IN YOU CARE FOR EAST GIPPSLAND FIRE AID FROM AL OUR NURSEYMAN AND ADVISER.

Congratulations you are now the Foster Parent for Trees for East Gippsland.

Here is the CARE PLAN (P.S. Remember you do not have them for life).

1. Water every day, yes everyday 10mm of rain does not count.
2. They must be **OFF** the ground, that is to say the foam boxes must not be touching the ground. This allows their roots to be "air pruned" and ensures the roots do not penetrate the ground.
3. Keep an eye out for chewing insects, avoid using chemicals, rely on physical removal or a nontoxic spray such as Soapy (pure) water or Garlic based spray, etc.
4. Position wise full sun if possible and avoid not having good air circulation.
5. When watering please make sure the spray droplets are not too large or forceful.
6. Be sure to fill every pot with water particularly around the edges of the boxes.
7. If you feed (optional) use a low phosphorus liquid fertilizer suitable for natives for example Maxi crop 6.

President Paul on behalf of the SEEDLING TEAM.



Kerry Kornhauser OAM - Women in Rotary



By Rowan McClean, District 9800 Club Service Chair

Even though the Rotary Constitution and By-Laws were altered in 1989 allowing women to join the organisation, it didn't strike Kerry Kornhauser that the organisation was so male-dominated when she joined some 13 years ago. There are more than 25,000 female Rotarians worldwide today—approximately 23% of global membership. In Australia, females represent approximately 28% of the total membership.

Kerry's father was a Rotarian and she too was keen to join an active voluntary organisation. As her sister had been doing some work with Rotary Albert Park and spoke about it being a group of young people who have fun, Kerry decided to join the vibrant club. It had a large number of projects and a 50/50 gender balance that has been maintained. Kerry soon learnt that many clubs either don't have a good gender balance, or are able to maintain one and so, Kerry adopted the mission of promoting women in Rotary.

With a change in work commitments, Kerry also needed to change clubs and her new Rotary home is Rotary Melbourne—a large club with a strong structure.

As part of her commitment to Women in Rotary, Kerry has been leading the International Women's Breakfast event for ten years. She is planning to step down from this leadership role, although stay on the advisory group.

A new focus for Kerry is *Women Can*, an initiative she and a fellow Rotary Melbourne board member commenced with the aim of encouraging women to enter the trades, undertake a Certificate II and enter apprenticeships.

"We have negotiated with the unions," advised Kerry. "And they are setting out to attract more women."

Considering the way ahead, Kerry feels it is very hard to change club practices and many older male-dominated clubs emphasise fellowship. Whilst Kerry thinks this is fine, she however doesn't think this culture suits most younger people, and that the answer could be in starting satellite clubs that can use the administrative framework of the existing club, but develop something fresh and exciting.

"We need to encourage people to bring their projects and their passion to Rotary," Kerry says. "This might be the way to attract them."

Kerry has been a great champion for women in Rotary, and indeed outside of Rotary. She is also a wonderful role model for emerging Rotarians!



Winner of the Lucky Lotto for 1st April is Paul Gibbons #1 – CONGRATULATIONS!

MESSAGE FROM THE TREASURER – DINNER PAYMENT OPTIONS

"In keeping with modern business practices and technological advances the Board is requesting the co-operation of members by not paying for the Club Dinner cost with cash as from 1 July, 21. The reasons for this decision are to protect members and cashiers from contracting Covid 19 from paper notes and coins. Secondly, to reduce the pressure on cashiers reconciling the meeting receipts and thirdly, having to make special trips to the bank to deposit the cash received. Thirdly, the potential loss of paper money is always a concern. Given that an overwhelming proportion of the population have a plastic card of some type either credit or debit card this change will not be a huge impact on members"

Are you interested in heading a Committee or doing this yourself?

Timor Leste Knitting Program

I would like to bring to the attention of all members some information about the Timor Leste Knitting Program.

This has been an ongoing project for several years established by the Rotary Club of Bendigo Sandhurst and coordinated by Patricia Cotton. For some time Pat has expressed her desire to step down from this role but to date no volunteer/s have come forward. Should a coordinator not be able to be appointed in the not too distant future the Rotary Club of Bendigo Sandhurst has indicated to me that they will wind up this project. As a member of the Bendigo Maubisse Friendship Committee I recently asked the question as to whether the products produced from this project are still sought after and still needed in Maubisse. The answer was in the affirmative although perhaps the volume may be able to be scaled down a little. Also this project has around 600 volunteer knitters from throughout Victoria who greatly appreciate the opportunity to participate in this project. These volunteers in many cases are elderly ladies living alone. Items produced are mainly baby clothes and small blankets. The coordinator's role has been included as an attachment and as you can see having to knit items is not one of the duties. Essentially the role is mostly administrative plus keeping up good positive communication. Should you be interested in learning more about this role let me know and I can put you in touch with Pat. Also Pat has offered to mentor the new coordinator into this role for up to one year. Also our club would negotiate with Sandhurst to transfer this project to our club should we be able to identify a prospective new coordinator and would provide all necessary back up where and when required.

Tony Plant

Representative-Bendigo Maubisse Friendship Committee.

Rotary

District 9800



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:	Mark Maloney
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Philip Archer
ASS'T GOVERNOR (Goldfields South):	Graeme Lynas
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CLUB PRESIDENT:	Paul Gibbons
SECRETARY:	Tony Plant
TREASURER:	Greg Noonan
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR:	Kay McLaughlin
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Heather Nixon
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CLUB COMMUNICATIONS:	Matthew Scott
NEWSLETTER EDITOR:	Sue Duncan

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: Tuesday 6pm, Moama Bowling Club, Shaw Street, Moama.

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 eaglehawkrotary@gmail.com

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 Mc Clure 044339116

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