

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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BSRC PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Back in Lockdown = Back on Zoom!!!!

At our last meeting we were joined via Zoom by Andrew McLean, the CEO of Landcare Victoria. Landcare is a community based organisation which is collaborative and inclusive. Landcare aids and facilitates projects run by volunteers, the aim being to restore and enhance the landscape and promote sustained agriculture and biodiversity. Andrew mentioned Bush-fire recovery, Citizen Science, Revegetation and Partnering with various Indigenous groups. Landcare Victoria services 19,000 members who are part of c. 100 network or project groups.

At our next meeting we were to have a visit from the DG – now moved to Zoom format.

The good news about the success of our last meeting is that we are now in a position to have members join by Zoom once we are able to meet face to face if numbers are restricted. For the time being we are back to meeting on Zoom until we are out of Lockdown.

At least the weather is improving and it's great to be able to get out into the garden. I would also encourage you to make a donation to the Share the Dignity collection of sanitary products via the collection boxes at Supermarkets. Just add a couple of products to your shopping and pop them in the pink boxes – not sure if all supermarkets are part of the program, but Woolworths definitely is.

Stay safe, stay healthy! See you on Zoom this week.

Merlyn Quaife, AM



DALE HOY DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2021 - 2022



Dale has been a member of the Rotary Club of Brighton for 15 years and has served on the board as a director of Vocational Services, Fundraising, Foundation, Community Service and was President in 2016/17. He has been awarded a Paul Harris Double Sapphire, Royce Abbey Award and is a member of the Paul Harris Society.

Within the District Dale has been a trainer/facilitator for the District Rotary Leadership Institute "RLI" for the past two years and is currently serving as Assistant Governor for the Batman Cluster. Dale also successfully managed the inaugural Social Impact Forum for 18-35 year olds at the recent Multi District Rotary Conference.

Originally from Warrnambool, Dale has worked in Melbourne and abroad. He has a Bachelor Business and Master of Business Administration and is a member of Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand and the Financial Services Institute of Australasia. Dale has worked in Audit and Corporate Services for Price Waterhouse Melbourne, Taxation and Staff Training for Coopers and Lybrand, now combined as PwC and Hoare Govett Stock Brokers London and the Channel Islands. In 1989 Dale started up a financial services company in Jakarta, Indonesia where he and his wife Maureen lived for 10 years.

On his return to Australia Dale built another company from scratch offering an international retirement platform based in Hong Kong, Singapore and Channel Islands for upwardly mobile high net worth senior expatriates, working with independent international tax and legal advisors.

Dale has been married to Maureen for 26 years and they have a 24 year old son Alex who is following in his father's footsteps and is currently employed by the Chartered Accounting firm KPMG. Maureen an ex teacher & in her early years was a member of Rotaract. She has been involved in charity work in Indonesia and as a volunteer for Family Life in Bayside. She is now involved in property development and design. Maureen is currently developing a number of properties on the Sunshine Coast, Queensland

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

(NOTE - The program for August & September is dependant on the COVID situation).

August	Venue	Program
Thurs August 26th	Zoom	District Governor - Dale Hoy - Visit Chair – Merlyn Quaife
Thurs Sept 2 nd	Zoom	Guest Speaker - TBA
Thurs Sept 9 th	Lakeview Hotel (Covid Permitting)	Footy Night – come dressed in your footy team colors! Details to follow when we know more!
Thurs Sept 16 th	Lakeview Hotel (Covid Permitting)	Guest Speaker - Toni West – CEO Impact Recovery
Thurs Sept 23rd	Lakeview Hotel (Covid Permitting)	Guest Speaker - Guide Dogs Victoria - Tracy Purcell – Key Relationship Manager Major Donor & Corporate Philanthropy
Thurs Sept 30th	Lakeview hotel (Covid Permitting)	Guest Speaker - Andrea Salmon MS Society



Don't forget (and COVID permitting!):

- **Wednesday 25 August** - Bendigo TAFE BCCRP Launch Day
Location: Bendigo TAFE City Campus, 136 McCrae Street, Bendigo (exact location and map to be provided 12 pm-2pm **6 Volunteers required**)
CANCELLED
- **Saturday 28th August** - Relay For Life Dinner - 5 pm – 7 pm **4 Volunteers required.**
CANCELLED

KEEP THE DATE - September 10 - 12

- Camp Getaway Working Bee with Keilor East (Covid permitting)
- Friday night dinner at the Axedale Tavern.

Our Recent Guest Speaker – Andrew McLean – Landcare Victoria CEO





Dear Rotarian,

Thank you for giving to The Rotary Foundation!

Because of your dedication to Doing Good in the World and your support of our Foundation, we achieved more in the last Rotary year than ever before.

Together, we funded more than 2,000 global grants that empowered Rotary members around the world to take on projects they care about and make a difference in their communities. Your generosity helped us raise more than \$440 million!

Raising more than ever before is an incredible achievement and enables our members to make a big impact by helping those who need us most during a time that is as uncertain as any. And we want to be able to keep doing that. We want to keep building strong communities by improving people's health, providing quality education, protecting the environment, and alleviating poverty.

Your donations make it possible for Rotary members around the world to continue this life-changing work. Thank you, for taking action by giving to The Rotary Foundation.

Sincerely,
The Rotary Foundation

We believe good health care is everyone's right. Yet 400 million people in the world can't afford or don't have access to basic health care.

Disease results in misery, pain, and poverty for millions of people worldwide. That's why treating and preventing disease is so important to us. We lead efforts both large and small. We set up temporary clinics, blood donation centers, and training facilities in underserved communities struggling with outbreaks and health care access. We design and build infrastructure that allows doctors, patients, and governments to work together.

Our members combat diseases like malaria, HIV/AIDS, Alzheimer's, multiple sclerosis, diabetes, and polio. Prevention is important, which is why we also focus on health education and bringing people routine hearing, vision, and dental care

A Trip Down Memeory Lane.....Foundry Hotel – July 2018
With Greg Noonan as Chair and our guest speaker from Bendigo Psychiatric Services



And a fond farewell to Terry Dalwood & his wife



DON'T FORGET YOUR COINS!

When we can next meet face-to-face I will bring the box of chocolates to the meeting, so we can indulge –

If you would like to buy a box of chocolates (cost \$60) for your office, club or just for family & friends let me know, - you can sell the chocolates for \$1 each - we can arrange delivery to your door!

With every box sold our Club raises \$21 – let's make a difference!

Please call Sue on 0417321033 or krissureg@hotmail.com



Our Illustrious Leaders hard at work

Rotary and the coronavirus impact: FAQ

GRANTS

As people of action, Rotary members want to find ways to respond to COVID-19, and to help people affected by it. The Rotary Foundation offers several options that Rotarians can use to help care for and protect people in their own communities and others around the world.

Q: Can my district use district grants to fund COVID-19 related projects?

A: Yes, districts can use district grant funds to support local activities, like purchasing thermometers, protective medical gear, or other items to donate to medical professionals who need them. Districts can also use contingency funds from an open district grant or repurpose previously planned activities as a COVID-19 response.

Q: Can I use a global grant to fund COVID-19 related projects?

A: Yes. [Global grants](#) remain an excellent way to make a transformative impact in a community. If medical equipment is needed in order to respond effectively to COVID-19, global grants can help pay for these items. Note that global grant applications must adhere to standard eligibility requirements as noted in the grant terms and conditions and the area of focus policy statements.

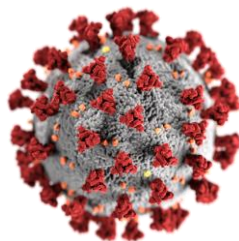
Q: Can I apply for a disaster response grant for COVID-19 related projects?

A: No, disaster response grants are no longer available to support COVID-19 related projects.

Q: Can my club or district use Rotary Foundation grant funds to purchase COVID-19 vaccines?

A: No, Rotary Foundation grant funds may not be used to purchase COVID-19 vaccines. This restriction applies to district, global and disaster response grants.

For additional information, contact your [regional grants officer](#).



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Q: Will Rotary have a role to play in COVID-19 vaccinations?

A: Yes. Rotary will tap into its decades of experience in bringing polio to the brink of eradication, to highlight the power and efficacy of vaccines. Rotary's tenacity, strategic partnerships, and innovation can all support the effort to protect communities from COVID-19.

Rotary and its partners at the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) recently announced that it is ready to support vaccine introduction and delivery. The group is also committed to equitable distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine and lending its support to ensure that all communities have equal access to vaccines.

More information and resources will soon be available for clubs and districts.

Q: Are the RI Board of Directors and Foundation Trustees taking action in regards to vaccines?

A: Yes, they are. At a recent joint session, the RI Board and Trustees created a joint task force that will develop and execute a plan to encourage Rotary and Rotaract clubs to support vaccinations.

Q: How can Rotary and Rotaractors get involved?

A: There are several ways members can get involved. Members can enhance community education on COVID-19 vaccinations by sharing information from local and regional health authorities and supporting their efforts. They should contact local health departments to determine where assistance is most needed. Moreover, members can connect with local health officials, including World Health Organization and UNICEF where applicable, to advocate for and support their efforts to ensure all communities receive equal access to the vaccine.

Q: What about vaccine misinformation and hesitancy? Are there ways to combat this?

A: Yes. Rotary is asking members to disseminate accurate, fact-based information as provided by local health agencies. It's important to spread the word that vaccines work by using #vaccineswork in their social media postings. Highlight Rotary's work on polio as a key example.

Members can invite medical professionals or local health officials to speak at club meetings. Try to also engage with local media, for example writing letters to the editor, in support of local efforts and vaccine safety and efficacy—using Rotary's success in polio eradication as a proof point.



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



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WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:

Shekhar Mehti
Dale Hoy

CLUB PRESIDENT	Merlyn Quaife AM
SECRETARY	Paul Gibbons
TREASURER	Greg Noonan
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR	Kay McLaughlin
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR	Heather Nixon
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR	Zoe Pocock
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR	Tony Plant
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR	Rod Spitty
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER	Geoff McKinna
ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR	Peter Kilpatrick
FUND-RAISING and FINANCE	Gary Pinner
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

