# Rotary Club of Bendigo South SIGNPOST

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

#### **SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES**



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In the words of Scottish poet Robert Burns"the best-laid schemes o'mice an' men Gang aft agley" (the best laid plans of mice and men often go awry).

So back in Lockdown and not sure when we are released how the numbers game might still stack up for face-to-face meetings, we have decided to postpone Valentines to later in the year and meetings will be via Zoom unless we get the all clear to gather in sufficient numbers.

Tony Plant will email the link for any Zoom Meetings we will have – if you don't receive an invite contact Tony.

Rod Spitty has been busy lining up interesting speakers.

The tree planting trip to Gippsland was also thwarted and will happen anon! The Science and Engineering Challenge has been postponed to 2022. I'm keeping my fingers crossed for the Victorian Welsh Choir concert – I keep practising (which is really boring if there's no outcome) and the choir is looking forward to a performance! Speaking with their conductor yesterday the choir is very appreciative of the partnership with our Club for our fund-raising concerts.

Stay warm and dry!!

Merlyn Quaife, AM
President BSRC
The Rotary Club of Bendigo South "Rotary Opens Opportunities"





Welcome to the new Rotary Year of 2021-22, the Centenary year of Rotary here in Australia and New Zealand in which we follow the lead of our Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta and 'Serve to Change Lives.'

In between two Covid lockdown restrictions, on 10th July at Hyatt Essendon Fields, 250 Rotarians came together to celebrate the District 9800 Changeover. It was wonderful to enjoy face to face friendship and fellowship again.

Clubs across the District, in many cases forced to juggle dates due to COVID restrictions, hosted their changeover events. Both Maureen and I, plus other members of the District Leadership group attended all Changeovers across the District and we were all impressed by the extent of community activity and impact over the last 12 months especially during the difficult COVID period.

The District Networker Newsletter will be issued twice a month commencing the first and third week of August.

Our District website has been updated and District events will continue to be published under 'Upcoming Events' on the home page.

The popular **Morning Tea with the DG** will continue on Saturday mornings commencing August varying the format to include themed events and some interactive sessions.

Any other feedback on enhancing communication across the District will be gratefully received.

On behalf of the District Leadership team, we look forward to working with clubs and Rotarians to help increase our community impact over the next 12 months.

Dale Hoy
District Governor 2021-22

## **AUGUST PROGRAM**

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

August	Venue	Program
Thurs July 29 <sup>th</sup>	ZOOM	Guest Speaker Hamish Roberts Head of Mathematics
		Bendigo South East College Re: Science and
		Engineering Challenge and Remote Learning with
		Lockdown and Covid
Thurs August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Lakeview Hotel or	Guest Speaker - Matt Oliver Bird Photographer.
	ZOOM	Meeting at Lakeview Hotel.
Thurs August 12th		No Meeting due to Welsh Choir Concert.
Sun Aug 15th	Ullumburra	Welsh Choir Concert
	Theatre	
Thurs August 19th	Lakeview Hotel or	Guest Speaker TBA
	ZOOM	Board Meeting after meeting
Thurs August 26th	Lakeview Hotel or	District Governor - Dale Hoy - Visit
	ZOOM	

"This week's meeting on Thursday 29th July will be conducted by Zoom and Tony will forward a link to all members on Wednesday"



When we can next meet face-to-face I will bring the box of chocolates to the meeting, so we can indulge – DON'T FORGET YOUR COINS!

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

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

Please call Sue on 0417321033 or krissureg@hotmail.com



# Don't forget (and COVID permitting!):

- Thursday August 12<sup>th</sup> BSSC VICE Indigenous Carers Expo Ulumburra Theatre 11am - 1 pm 3 Volunteers required.
- Sunday August 15 Latrobe Uni Flight Centre Open Day BBQ
   10 am 2 pm
   3 Volunteers required.
- Sunday August 15. @ 2pm Matinee Concert
   Victorian Male Welsh Choir with Merlyn Quaife AM. Ulumburra Theatre
   Go to GOTIX to purchase tickets
- **Date Change** Science & Engineering Challenge- Central Victoria Venue Girton Grammar Stadium
- Date Change Valentine's Antique vocational visit to later in the year.
- 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 please
- Saturday 28th August Relay For Life Dinner 5 pm 7 pm 4 Volunteers required.
- 28/29th October Science & Engineering Challenge National Final
   Venue Bendigo South East College Stadium
- Sunday 29th August Latrobe Uni Open Day 9am 1 pm 6 Volunteers Required.

Please get back to me if you can help with the BBQ's.

George - 0438 353 414



#### **ROTARY CLUB OF CASTLEMAINE ART SHOW - CANCELLED AGAIN**

#### **Good Evening**

I am sending you our Art Show raffle details hoping you may be able to promote it through your club's bulletin please.

Unfortunately our Art Show has been cancelled for the second time this year.

In the hope of raising as much money as we can through our raffle, it has been suggested we send it out to our cluster clubs for promotion.

It will be drawn next Sunday 1 August.

The first prize "Red Knob Vaughan" is a photograph taken by one of our members John Tozer, an award winning photographer.

The other artists, Katharina Rapp and Catherine Tait are both very well known in their field.

We would greatly appreciate it if you could promote it through your club.

Kind regards

Lyn Ellery

President

**Rotary Club of Castlemaine** 



IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ROTARY CLUB OF ROCHESTER

# PROPOSED SEEDLING PLANTING WEEKEND TO BAIRNSDALE

# WAS <u>POSTPONED</u> TO A DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED

Matt, who is also the local Landcare person, tells me that he is looking forward to seeing us at some stage later in the year.

We are the third group that has cancelled tree planting due to the current situation. The other groups being one from Melbourne and the other from Bacchus Marsh.

The good news is that favorable planting conditions will continue for some months ahead in the area under consideration and the chance to put our seedlings in the ground down there remains a strong possibility.

The East Gippsland Fire AID Planting Team are going back to the drawing board on their whole program of planting and they will let me know asap of what they have come up with and we can then see what we can sort out from that revised program.

I thank all the seedling minders and planting team for their great efforts and when able we will do a stock take, for want of a better term, and plan our next crop of seedlings.

PAST PRESIDENT PAUL GIBBONS on behalf of the Seedlings Team



# We're giving \$500k to Charities in 2021

# Give Australian Rotary Health a chance to share in \$50,000 including \$6,000 for 1st place!

Dear Greg,

Our <u>new grants round</u> has started - we're giving \$50,000 to the #20 Charities with the most votes and we want Australian Rotary Health to be a part of it!

There are 20 grants up for grabs, with \$6,000 for the Charity with the most votes overall, our highest single grant ever!

Help Australian Rotary Health be one of the qualifying charities. All you need to do is:



# Vote for Australian Rotary Health before July 31st

All charities with 20 new votes by July 31st qualify!



### 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: Shekhar Mehti

RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR: Dale Hoy

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CLUB PRESIDENT Merlyn Quaife AM

SECRETARY
TREASURER
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER

ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR
FUND-RAISING and FINANCE
CLUB COMMUNICATIONS
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Merlyn Quaife AM
Paul Gibbons

Greg Noonan
Kay McLaughlin
Heather Nixon

Zoe Pocock Tony Plant Rod Spitty

Peter Kilpatrick Gary Pinner Matthew Scott Sue Duncan

Geoff McKinna

### **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

