

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 1, 2021/2022

Welcome to my first report!

On Thursday the Club met at Pratty's Patch for the Changeover Dinner when I was duly inaugurated as President. I was grateful for the support shown by District and fellow Incoming Presidents as well as of course, my Club Members, partners and friends.

My thanks to Peter Butler for providing piano music as guests arrived.

Cathie Steele, CEO of Foodshare was presented with a Paul Harris Fellow Recognition. She had no idea it was coming which made it all the better! Thanks to Greg Noonan for organising Cathie's attendance and keeping the award under wraps.

The Club also recognised Ron Devereaux for his 53 (or is it really 54...?) years as a Rotarian.

For Past President Paul it was the end of what can only be described as a most unusual year, yet despite Covid, many activities and projects were still achieved. Thanks and congratulations Paul!!

I look forward to what I sincerely hope will be a less locked down year and working with my very capable Board!

Merlyn Quaife

The Rotary Club of Bendigo South -

"Connect to the Community"



A Wonderful Night at Pratty's Patch for the RCBS Changeover Dinner



The handover from one President, Paul Gibbons to our new President, Merlyn Quaife.



Our New Board!

LtoR: secretary – Paul Gibbons, Treasurer – Greg Noonan, International – Heather Nixon, Memberships & Marketing – Tony Plant, our Illustrious President, Merlyn Quaife, Club Service – Rod Spitty, International – Kay McLaughlan, Foundation – Peter Kilpatrick & Fundraising – Gary Pinner

And the Award goes to:.....



Rotary International, including President Paul, & DG Grant Hocking, has recognised Ron Devereaux for his 53 years as a valuable and honoured Rotarian.



Another much-deserving person, is Cathie Steele who was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow Recognition for her services to the community – especially Foodshare – a tireless worker, who deserves the recognition.

Snapshots from around the Room!



JULY PROGRAM

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

JULY	Venue	Program
Thurs 1st July	The Lakeview Hotel	Guest Speaker – Ben Boxshall - His business is Agroforestry and is a part owner of a business entitled Wood4Good . Chair - Merlyn Quaife
Thurs 8 th July	The Lakeview Hotel	NAIDOC Week – Guest Speaker - Matthew Leeder - President - Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat Chair - Bernie Young
Thurs 15th July	The Lakeview Hotel	Guest Speaker - Katie Pagliaro - Chaplaincy Program in Primary Schools Chair – Jan Pagliaro ** Followed by a Board Meeting**
22nd – 24 th July		NO MEETING - Due to Tree Planting Project at Bairnsdale - East Gippsland
Thurs 29 th July	Venue - Valentines Antiques	Vocation Meeting: Valentines Antique Centre View Street - 6pm sharp, followed by dinner in View Street Precinct (To be advised) Chair - Merlyn Quaife

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

**** Lakeview Hotel will be a select & pay for your own meal ****
But we will still need to advise of numbers.

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 member

We are changing to CASHLESS PAYMENTS as of July 1st, 2021!



Don't forget:

- Sunday August 15. @ 2pm Matinee Concert
Victorian Male Welsh Choir with Merlyn Quaife AM. - Ulumburra Theatre
- Monday 23rd August - **Science & Engineering Challenge- Central Victoria**
Venue - Girton Grammar Stadium
- 28/29th October - **Science & Engineering Challenge National Final**
Venue - Bendigo South East College Stadium

Barbecues are back on and we are looking for Volunteers!

At last we are returning to normal, so I am back to getting crew together for BBQ's.

We have the following coming up, pending any Covid restrictions that might pop up.

Saturday July 10th

Bendigo Dog Obedience Club – Finn Street

7 am – 1 pm Breakfast & lunch 3 Volunteers required.

Thursday August 12th

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.

Saturday 28th August

Relay For Life Dinner

5 pm – 7 pm 4 Volunteers required.

Sunday 29th August

Latrobe Uni Open Day

9am – 1 pm 6 Volunteers Required.

Please get back to me if you can help.

George – 0438 353 414



Winner of the Lucky Lotto for June 26th is Heather Nixon with #7

A total of \$950 was collected from this fundraiser, with a payout of \$660, so \$290 was raised for our Club – great idea, Glenn, thanks for organising!

Scope Working Bee

A very productive working bee was held at the Scope Centre on Tuesday with about 50 shrubs and groundcovers planted and a watering system installed. This is second planting at Scope and now a significant section of the front entrance to the Centre has now been beautified. Thank you to Paul, Bernie, Anthony, Chris, Graeme and Rose for their hard work with this task. It is a valuable community project and much appreciated by the clients and staff . Glenn Madden



Bendigo Food Share Winter Appeal - May 31 to July 2.

Members are asked to consider donating some of the following:

pasta, rice and grains
Cooking oil, ready made meal bases, tinned vegetables
breakfast cereals, tinned fruit
jam, peanut butter, vegemite
flour and sugar
coffee, tea and milo
sauces and seasonings
tinned meat and fish

Bring them to a meeting and Merlyn will deliver to Foodshare.

The Rotary Club of Bendigo South
and the Ulumbarra Foundation
presents a concert fundraiser featuring

Merlyn Quaife

with the
Victoria
Welsh Choir



Sunday August 15, 2pm
Ulumbarra Theatre Bendigo

Book now at gotix.com.au
or phone 5434 6100



The club is making a block booking for members, partners and friends at the group booking price. Sign up sheets will be circulated in the new Rotary year.



Attention of all club members -Rotary Clubs of Eaglehawk and Bendigo South.

The combined committee of the two clubs are busily preparing the first trailer raffle after inheriting this Community Funding Event from the Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale. The selling of tickets will commence on September 13 and be completed by December 20.

Prizes: The committee will purchase the majority of the prizes including a 6' x 4' registered trailer. The trailer is then filled with a variety of items such as power tools, small kitchen appliances and numerous children's toys. Once again these items will be purchased from local businesses.

Before the committee makes these purchases it was thought it would be reasonable to appeal to all members seeking any donations of small items that may be at home surplus to requirements that could be deemed suitable as a prize. Sometimes we are given something that would be useful to someone else but it never gets unwrapped or we purchase something and it turns out we have no use for it. We do stress that any item put forward as a donation must be unused and look like new. As the raffle is geared towards families no donations of wine or any alcohol will be accepted. We stress that we are not asking members to annoy businesses for donations of goods in these tough economic times. However sometimes we do get offers from people we may know in business who are prepared to support a Rotary Project in some small way.

As the saying goes-*Let's not look a gift horse in the mouth.* Anything you think may be suitable will be gratefully received by the committee if we deem it to be an acceptable item.

Tony Plant
Raffle Committee Member.

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



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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

CLUB PRESIDENT:	Paul Gibbons
SECRETARY:	Tony Plant
TREASURER:	Greg Noonan
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR:	Kay McLaughlin
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Heather Nixon
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Merlyn Quaife
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR:	Sue Duncan
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR:	Rod Spitty
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER:	Geoff McKinna
ROTARY FOUNDATION CHAIR:	Glenn Madden
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

