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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Foundry Hotel, High Street, Golden Square.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR SIGNPOST OCTOBER 19th, 2020.

Greetings all

My emails this last week and last have been full of messages of thanks for all those involved with the Rotary in Harmony concert held Sunday 11th of October. It has touched many people and enriched their lives. On behalf of the Board and the Club, I would like to thank Anne Peace for all her work on Rotary in Harmony, from the first ideas and concept/ theme right the way through to the fantastic final program. Our talented club members Merlyn and Katie (and Katie's daughter Raechel) who featured in the program, are also thanked for their contributions.

The District NETWORKER also has the concert featured this week.

It was a fitting tribute to past member Peter Ryall and all he did at the Rotary Club of Bendigo South. It was also an opportunity to showcase how we support young and emerging musical talent through scholarships.

The board has met once again on Zoom last week and approved some donations from the club in this rotary year to the following community groups who have or will be part of our program over the first six months of this rotary year.

- 1. Groups are SMITH FAMILY, Bendigo and Bairnsdale,
- 2. ROTARY AUSTRALIA MENTAL HEALTH following on from the concert.
- 3. Future speakers will include CAMP GETAWAY, JUNORTON CFA and BENDGO FOODSHARE.

Thanks to the hard work of secretary Tony, the Seed Propagating Hot House is nearing completion and we are hopeful of some further progress in the near future.

Looking forward to seeing you on all the cluster wide event on Thursday evening.

Have a great week ahead.

Yours in Rotary,

Paul Gibbons

The Rotary Club of Bendigo South-

"Connect to the Community"

PAUL GIBBONS PRESIDENT 20/21.





Rotary in Harmony—Classical, a Review

by Hawthorn Rotary's music critic, Chris Hanson

The first *Rotary in Harmony (Classical)* concert last Sunday was a great event. It was a very well put-together production, initiated by Rotary South Bendigo in aid of Mental Health Week.

At precisely 3.00 pm, District Governor Philip Archer introduced the team headed by compere Sue Foley.

First up we heard the brilliant soprano, Merlyn Quaife, sing songs from Schubert and others. Her voice was ethereal and mellow hitting all the notes. Piano accompaniment was by Cheryl Long. Next was a flute solo by Katie Kim with Ed Chan on piano. A Beethoven Romance is always worth hearing and this was superbly done.

Past District Governor Greg Ross then entertained us with a ditty about Australian Rotary Health—not exactly classical, but it made its point about this great organisation and its global mission.

Moving onto more music, we then had a wonderful piano solo from Kaitlin White: Une barque our l'ocean, a Ravel étude. Good piano can just take you with it, as this did. I like a trumpet and so enjoyed the 1st Haydn Trumpet Concerto played by Hannah Rundel—very bouncy and energetic.

Professor Patrick McGorrey (Australian of the Year 2010) spoke to us about Mental Health and all that has to be done in this trying era. He was authoritative and engaging, as he spoke with great passion about the need for more investment in early intervention of emerging psychosis affecting the young.

Back to the music, and we heard Rachael Suh play a delightful Cello in Bach's Cello Suite #2. This piece is an icon of the classical repertoire, which I highly recommend. It was the highlight of the afternoon for me as a layman.

Dr Catherine Crock spoke about her involvement in the Hush Foundation, which helps kids with cancer while in hospital by providing excellent recorded music through CDs.

Finally, Michael Lapiña sang some lyrical pieces for Tenor such as *This is the Moment* from the musical 'Jekyll and Hyde', and the finale...an aria from Pagliacci, which raised the virtual roof!

This was an inspirational concert and a big credit goes to Rotary South Bendigo for their effort in its organisation, especially during this pandemic when clearly things are a lot harder than normal.

Bravo!!

Chris

Editor Note: The next Rotary in Harmony concert will be a Rock 'n' Roll event on Sunday 25th October. Please note that only the first event was a free gift to Rotarians. Future concerts will be at a cost of \$10, and will support Australian Rotary Health's "Lift the Lid on Mental Illness" and The G'Day Network program. Bookings can be made through: https://www.trybooking.com/BLRVQ

The Program for October & November

Oct 22nd Meeting – Combined Cluster Zoom Meeting with the DG – Chair Paul Gibbons

Every year, each Rotary Club in the District is visited by the District Governor who attends their meeting, this gives all members the opportunity to talk to and connect with them on a personal level.

This of course can't happen this year, but DG Philip Archer is very keen to connect with us, so, we're having a combined Cluster meeting – Thursday October 22nd at 6.45pm on Zoom.

The meeting will go for about an hour and all members, friends, family and those interested are encouraged to participate.

The Program:

- 3 minute overview by each Cluster President on "highlights so far"
- PDG Murray Verso Foundation
- PDG Peter Frueh Membership DG Philip Archer
- Q & A for all using the chat function

This is a great opportunity to hear about the current happenings of Rotary, the emphasis being on Foundation – the Charity arm of Rotary.

The link for this meeting is:

Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87237414856

Meeting ID: 872 3741 4856

Passcode: 250361

Future Program:

- 29th October Xavier Morrisey (NYSF) recipient will be speaking to the club, Kay McLaughlin. To introduce & chair
 - along with CFA & Junortoun Fire Brigade guest speaker.

Ian Ellis – to Introduce & Chair

- Nov 12th: District Governor Visit Philip Archer Chair — Paul Gibbons
- Nov 26th: Annual General Meeting
 - Guest speaker Manager of Camp Getaway Chair – Paul Gibbons.

Please contact Rod with your ideas for our meetings on 0402883747 or rspitty@gmail.com



Rotary International officially recognised the International Bee Rotary Fellowship in April 2020. This Fellowship aims to bring together Rotarians who are interested in bees and beerelated activities.

In District 9800, another group of Rotarians, also with an interest in bees, formed 'Rotarians for Bees' after a David Attenborough program highlighted the decline in the bee population, as well as the impact such a decline in pollinators would have on our food production, security, and economy. Canterbury Rotarian, John McCaskill felt that Rotary would be the perfect organisation to highlight this issue and take it forward, subsequently engaging an enthusiastic group of Rotarians, beekeepers, and industry partners.



'Rotarians for Bees' (R4B) has since expanded rapidly to include all five Districts in Victoria, achieving considerable awareness and interest in the welfare and future survival of bees and pollinators. This awareness and membership growth has come about through partnering with the When Bee Foundation (national industry support body), state and local governments, associations such as Nursery and Garden Industry Victoria, and other industry and not-for-profit organisations.

For information on Rotarians for Bees, you can visit: https://rotariansforbees.org/

For more information on International Bee Rotary Fellowship, you can visit: https://www.facebook.com/InternationalBeeRotaryFellowship/



End Polio Walk

We have raised \$486 of our goal of \$500! Please help us achieve this milestone!

Just \$25, or the cost of our usual Meeting Meal, will soon help us reach our goal!

https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/fundraisers/bendogosouthrotaryclub

Five Members have registered from our Club for this year's End Polio Walk.

Glenn's aim is to raise \$500, and to do this, he was hoping to have at least 10 walkers, so far we have who will complete 5 laps of Lake Neangar (a total of 5 kilometres) and gather sponsorship each. I am planning to conduct the walk on Saturday 24th of October from 9.30 to 11.00 am at Lake Neangar in Eaglehawk.

If you would like to join us, you can register yourself and connect to our club's team through this website:

https://www.rotarywalkwithus.org/fundraisers/bendogosouthrotaryclub

Thank you to members and friends who have sponsored the Bendigo South team for the Walk to raise funds to fight Polio. We are almost over the \$500 mark which is pleasing. We have a small group of walkers organised for the walk around Lake Neangar next Saturday morning (24th October) at 10.00 am. If you wish to join us you are most welcome or if you would like to sponsor the team please use the online link. Glenn Madden











International Committee's High Tea

Dear Friends,

In the event of Regional restrictions being eased the International Committee are planning to go ahead with organising of the fundraising 'High Tea' to be held on Sunday, November 15th with times & venues TBA

We are anticipating 10 people can gather at each host home for this event, but this is dependent on the Premier Dan Andrews rules. Depending on how many people wish to attend High Tea as to how many hosts we need for the day. Anne & Matthew are hosting their event in Echuca.

Cost to attend is \$25pp which will include a raffle ticket and, could you kindly bring a small plate of food to share, plus you may wish to BYO alcohol - if your host is happy with these arrangements.

Alternatively, your host will contact you to discuss catering.

You may wish to invite friends as well as Rotarians.

Proceeds will go toward funding our Club's Scholarships in Timor Leste.

Please text International Director Heather Nixon on **0427 343 320** if you are planning on attending this event, or email her:- hnixo@yahoo.com

In the event of restrictions not being lifted, we will have the plans in place and will defer until such time as we can celebrate the company of others in 2021.



Another trip down Memory Lane:

This week, in 2016, takes us to Jennie & Clive's house in Myers Flat and the Induction of Elizabeth Bell



Tony & Elizabeth







Wonderdog Sascha entertaining everyone!

Things to keep in mind:

- Don't Forget to complete your Form 3 and return to us asap.
- The Lord Taverner's Raffle Info
- Donate for End Polio Walk



LUCKY LOTTO

Lucky Lotto Winner for 17/10/20 is number 17 Ron Devereaux.

Lucky Lotto Numbers for 2020/21

NAME	NUMBER	NUMBER
Paul Gibbons	1	37
Tony Plant	2	30
Merlyn Quaif	4	27
Heather Nixon	7	41
Emily Mudge	9	22
Trevor Hawking	44	8
Maureen Plant	36	13
Kay McLaughlin	18	32
Jennie Hughes	25	34
Rod Spitty	15	39
Glenn Madden	6	43
Rose Madden	12	28
Emily Madden	24	33
George Ellis	38	3
Gary Pinner	40	5
Sharon Pfiefer	20	31
Rae Gibbons	14	29
Anne Peace	45	10
Roxanne Ellis	11	16
Ron Devereaux	17	42
Sue Duncan	19	35
Unallocated	21, 23,26,	

Hi Ironbark Gully Friends,

For the very first time, Bendigo Sustainable House Day 2020 will be online.

The theme for this year is sharing resources. The day will include videos of renovations, new builds (including hempcrete, timbercrete, straw bale & a sea change house), gardens and the opportunity to listen to and participate in guest speaker conversations.



Book now, then on Sunday 25-October, sit back and join in with the online videos and zoom sessions.

Guest Speaker: **Jenny Edwards**, from Light House Architecture and Science in Canberra. Jenny has just won several Australian awards for energy efficient housing. Jenny will talk about some projects they have completed in Canberra allowing multi generational living on single blocks.

Full details of the homes and gardens on display, can be viewed via our website.

When: Sunday 25-October

Where: Online, from the comfort of your own home!

Tickets: - Use the link below to purchase your ticket and the event links will be sent to you, along

with the day's program of events so you can plan your day.

Only \$7 for BSG Members & \$10 for Non-members.

More information available via <u>Facebook</u>, including previews of all the days planned events.



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

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

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

RC ECHUCA MOAMA: Tuesday 6pm, Moama Bowling Club, Shaw Street, Moama.

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7.30am, Bridge Hotel, Water Street.

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

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

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