

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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President's Report

At our last Meeting (Sept 29) we had Quarterly Reports and a special Tree Planting Report from Paul and Tony. We were joined by AG Rob Foran and Al Campbell who assisted us so generously with our trees. The Club is tracking well with Projects large and small, on-going and one-offs. Actually most activities are on-going: scholarships, gardening at Annie North, Combined Club Knitting Project etc etc. It was great to hear that Project Natalia is progressing to surgery in October and Natalia Apaseray will be arriving on Australia on or around October 3. We also look forward to a lesson in Tibetan Dumpling making – courtesy of Lhamo.

But back to the tree propagation and the recent weekend of planting in Gippsland. Congratulations must go to Paul Gibbons who started this project in his Presidential Year only to have it interfered with by that pesky Covid which turned the Project into virtually two projects. The first lot of trees we planted from seed and nurtured, as you will remember, were not able to be planted in Gippsland but instead were donated to projects in and around Bendigo: Rochester and the Sugar-Glider habitat being the main recipient of the trees and our Club's labour. Finally after planting in tubes and looking after our second batch of treelings (my word for weeny baby trees), the weekend came when a group from our Club was able to finally go to Gippsland and plant!!! Top marks to Paul for persistence to make it happen. Also a huge thanks to Tony Plant for the part he played in the Project. It is heart-warming to know how much our efforts were appreciated, not just the trees but the willingness for some of our Members to travel so far to plant, give them an extra donation and meet with the people so affected by the fires. Talking is healing!

So, on to our busy time of the year – NO MEETING next week in lieu of the Ulumbarra Fund-raising concert on Sunday October 9. The Christmas Trailer Raffle is off to a good start and Swap Meet is just around the corner.



Don't forget the International Conference in Melbourne next year – it would be great to have a healthy roll-up from our Club. I've booked – who will join me???

Merlyn Quaife AM

OCTOBER PROGRAM

Thurs 6 th October	NO MEETING in lieu of James Morrison/City of Greater Bendigo Brass Band Concert.
Sunday 9 th October	James Morrison/City of Greater Bendigo Brass Band Concert. Ulumbarra Theatre 2pm.
Thurs 13 th October	Lake View Hotel Guest speaker – Richard Bennet RMIT Flight School Via Zoom BOARD MEETING TO FOLLOW
Thurs 20 th October	Science and Engineering Challenge National Final Dinner Bendigo South East College Stadium All members invited at no cost to members In lieu of ordinary meeting.
Friday 21 st October	Science and Engineering National Final Challenge Bendigo South East College Stadium All members invited to lunch 12pm – 1pm and to Inspect the Challenge in progress.
Thurs 27 th October	NO MEETING in lieu of Bendigo Maubisse Film Night at Start Cinema.



James Morrison/City of Greater Bendigo Brass Band

Only 5 days to go to our big fund raising concert. Tickets for prime seats are still available at \$50 each. Attached is a copy of the great program. If you have not already purchased your ticket you still can by contacting Tony directly. Make payment directly into the club account. BSB 633000 Acc. No. 103497236 Please provide your name and the word-**concert**.

Combined Rotary Clubs of Bendigo National Swap Meet Catering

Once a year all the Rotary Clubs in Bendigo work together providing the catering for the National Swap Meet at the Bendigo Showgrounds. This year 11th -13th Nov 2022.

The Rotary Clubs provide 5 BBQ sites plus 4 pie & pasty sites, soft drinks, water, milk and ice around the Showgrounds. In the Bendigo Exhibition Centre there is a cafeteria that provides evening meals on Friday & Saturday as well as cooked breakfast on Saturday & Sunday. Also along with FJ's café they provide sandwiches, pies, cakes and barista coffee.

It is a very busy weekend requiring lots of Rotarians to volunteer their time over the weekend. Because of the amount of work required we also ask for volunteer groups to help us. The profits from all the catering is divided between the 5 Rotary Clubs, the 7 Recipient groups and the Car Club. The Rotary Club of Bendigo receives 1/13th of the profit which goes into our fundraising pot. The profit is very dependent on the volume of patrons visiting the National Swap Meet and the weather!

This year our Recipient Groups are CFA Junortoun, Bendigo Lacrosse Club, Y Service Club Eaglehawk-Men and Women, Golden Square Football & Netball Club, Bendigo Brass Band, Bendigo District Scouts and Zonta. Each will receive 1/13th of the profits generated this year.

A Roster will be coming around soon, shifts are 4hours long and we start very early, please volunteer! Although it is hard work, it can be great fun meeting lots of other Rotarians and people from all walks of life. You also get to look around the Swap Meet after your shift.

Please contact Maureen ph. 0438 468815 or goldview46@bigpond.com if you are available.

Thank you for those members who have added their names to the ticket selling roster so far. If you are definitely not attending the James Morrison Concert on Sunday 9th of October we need your assistance at Lansell Square from 4.00 to 6.00 pm. We need three more sellers for Sunday 23rd of October at the Eaglehawk IGA. The raffle is a big task and it would be nice to spread the workload around. Please contact Glenn if you can assist.









Last Saturday' bbq at the opening of the new Harley Davidson shop had a real buzz about it as you can expect when a couple of hundred bikers turn up, there was traffic chaos. The bbq team actually ran out of food by 11.30!! Great work to those members who kept cooking and serving non stop.





Project Natalia Update

Natalia and Alonika her carer will arrive at 7.00am on the 19th of October. We are told that there are dates 22nd and 28th available as dates for her surgery. She will be hosted at the Children First Foundation's Retreat at Kilmore.

OTIS Foundation

Did you see in the Advertiser that the beautiful house that offers respite to women with breast cancer and their families suffered a very damaging fire very recently. Our Club visited this tranquil rural setting some years ago. If you know of a suitable property that is currently vacant and might be used by the Otis Foundation, they have bookings to be filled to the end of the year!

End Polio – Walk with Us is happening again during the month of October

Wanting to get fit but wanting to make it worthwhile at the same time? Then be part of the Bendigo South End Polio Walk with Us Teams!

There are two – **Bendigo South Lassies** & **Bendigo South Laddies** – feel free to join either or both, but be prepared for some **healthy** competition!

If you feel inclined to join us, please head to www.rotarywalkwithus.org to register then join one of these teams.

This event will run for the month of October, so from the 1st, please start canvassing friends and relatives to sponsor you – these days it is a fixed amount rather than the actual kilometers walked, however, I am sure the opposite team will keep the momentum going with the amount of steps you do!

At this stage, it is just a matter of counting your steps each day, but there may be an event in the planning for 24th October – End Polio Day – will let you know!

If you would like to join, but not sure how to register please call me on 0417321033 or email



susan.j.duncan3@bigpond.com and I will *walk* you through the process! Also your steps can be entered manually on the website, or if you have a fitbit or apple watch these can be synced - again, happy to help.

Lets make a difference and put our Club on the End Polio Map!





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Rotary members like you are taking action and creating meaningful change in communities worldwide.

At past conventions, you've seen what we can accomplish when we come together and share our passion for Doing Good in the World. We're excited to keep the momentum going in 2023. **Join us in the beautiful city of Melbourne, Australia, 27-31 May** to connect with other people of action. We'll hear from great speakers, enjoy fantastic entertainment, take part in inspirational breakout sessions, and so much more.

Register today to receive the reduced rate. Don't wait, because **this rate expires on 15 December.**

[Register Today](https://convention.rotary.org)

BMEC NOVIE NIGHT

Thursday 27th October

6.30pm Star Cinema

Special Guest

Kirsty Sword Gusmão

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<https://www.starcinema.org.au/movie/bendigo-maubisse-fundraiser-see-how-they-run>



All proceeds go to
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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:	Jennifer Jones
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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: Last Tuesday of month - 6 for 6:30pm, Rotary Community Park, Rose Street, Echuca.

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7am for 7.30am start, Fosterville Gold Tennis Centre, Nolan St Bendigo

Secretary: John Harkin – 0409957000

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

Contact on 0428468298

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 McClure 044339116