



SIGNPOST

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We meet Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Lakeview Hotel, McRae Street (TBC weekly)



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President's Report

At the last meeting we had an extremely interesting Guest Speaker, David Mc Gowan CEO of Police Veterans Victoria who spoke in detail about the mental problems police veterans have post retirement and the fact that there is no or limited support available to this group. The presentation was thought provoking and there were many questions raised by members in particular how Rotary is able to be of assistance to this group. This will be listed as an item of business for the September Board meeting and members' comments and suggestions are most welcome to assist with these discussions and development of a plan of action.

This week we have seen a colossal BQ program starting with - Tuesday 22nd August - La Trobe Market Day BBQ - number 2 of 4 - 3 members in attendance, Sunday 27th August La Trobe University Open Day 8 members in attendance followed by RMIT Flight School at Bendigo Airport - 5 members in attendance. A big thank you to members and partners for their contributions during this busy week. The weather on Sunday 27th was superb and a fun time was had by all soaking up both University and Airport operations.

This week is an important time for our Club with the annual visit by District Governor Ron Payne so a big turnout would be appreciated to hear what is going on within the District in 23/24.

DG Ron has requested a meeting with the Board at 5pm on Thursday prior to the meeting. I hope as many Board members can attend as possible.

At the August Board meeting the following initiatives were approved/supported.

1.0 Development of the La Trobe Scholarship Program for a further 5 years based on 1 Scholarship - Engineering and 1 Scholarship - Health Science each worth \$1000.

2.0 Support for Rochester Little Athletics through the \$4500 funds raised in 2022 at the Mandurang Christmas Market jointly with the Rotary Club of Bendigo.

3.0 Support for End Polio Month in October with the Club undertaking an End Polio Walking Day for Bendigo and District at Lake Weeroona on Sunday 22nd October.

Looking forward to seeing you this Thursday.

Rod Spitty
President

**LA TROBE UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCE VISIT, 8am, Wednesday 6 September
Combined visit with Rotary Club of Bendigo Sandhurst**

Our next Industry visit will be to the Health Sciences Faculty of La Trobe University on **Wednesday 6 September at 8am**. The Health Sciences Faculty can be accessed from Gate 7 which is immediately beyond the roundabout in Sharon Street (if travelling from Ellis Street). We will meet in the Nancy Long Dining Hall at 8AM for tea/coffee and a talk. The Nancy Long Dining Hall is on the right off Arts Drive which is at the end of the car park (at Gate 7). This building has citrus plants growing on mesh. Please enter at the back. A tour of the Health Sciences Faculty will follow the talk and members are welcome to stay for breakfast which La Trobe will very generously provide around 9am.

Parking is available in the carpark at gate seven until 10am or alternatively in Sharon Street or Hillview Street where there is unrestricted parking. Please feel free to contact Jim Rolfe (0407554263) if you have any queries.

Save the date!!!!

29 October - Fund-raiser in Ulumbarra Theatre, Merlyn Quaife and the Victoria Welsh Choir.

This week in pics



Chair Greg Penno introduces guest speaker David McGowan.



Geoff, Jennie and Clive cooking up a feast at the La Trobe Uni Pride Week event.



BBQ for La Trobe Uni open day on Sunday.



Flight simulator at RMIT Flight School.



Rod taking a break from the BBQ for the RMIT Flight School open day.



CLUB PROGRAM		
August theme: Membership and New Club Development		
Thurs 31 August	Visit by DG Ron Payne. Preceded by DG meeting with Board at 5pm. Chair: Rod Spitty	Lake View Hotel

CLUB PROGRAM		
September theme: Basic Education and Literacy		
Sunday 3 Sept	BBQ – Run for Dad, Father’s Day Run. 9am – 12pm.	Bgo Racecourse
Wed 6 Sept	La Trobe Uni Health Science visit and breakfast	La Trobe Uni
Thurs 7 Sept	No meeting in lieu of La Trobe Uni Industry visit	
Thurs 14 Sept	Bgo Health Cancer Gobbe Wellness Centre. Chair Rod Spitty	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 21 Sept	‘The Kimberley Experience’. Chair and guest speaker: Merlyn Quaife. Followed by Board Meeting.	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 28 Sept	TBC	Lake View Hotel
October theme: Economic and Community Development		
Thurs 5 Oct	Maubisse film night. No meeting. Details to follow.	Star Cinema, Eaglehawk
Thurs 12 Oct	Quarterly reports. Chair: Rod Spitty.	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 19 Oct	Bendigo TAFE Trade Wing industry visit	Bendigo TAFE
Sun 22 Oct	Bendigo Walk for End Polio	
Thurs 26 Oct	TBC	Lake View Hotel
Sun 29 Oct	Victoria Welsh Choir with Merlyn Quaife AM concert	Ulumbarra Theatre

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 persons united in the ideal of service.

WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:	Gordon McInally
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Ron Payne

CLUB PRESIDENT	Rod Spitty
SECRETARY	Bernie Young
TREASURER	Greg Noonan
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR	Paul Gibbons
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR	Lindsay Jolley
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR and IPP	Merlyn Quaife AM
MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	Matthew Scott
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR and PRESIDENT ELECT	Peter Kilpatrick
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER	Geoff McKinna
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR	Rod Spitty
FUND-RAISING and FINANCE DIRECTOR	Gary Pinner
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR	Susan Ducan
NEWSLETTER EDITOR	Shireen Yeoh

D9800 Goldfields Cluster Club Meeting Times

RC KANGAROO FLAT: Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

Secretary - Geoff Wakefield 0408510218

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

Secretary: Kaye Lehmann – kaye.l.lehmann@gmail.com 0418 355 253

RC ECHUCA MOAMA: 1st, 2nd and 3rd Tuesdays of month - 6 for 6:30pm, Rotary Park Clubrooms, Rose Street, Echuca

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7am for 7.30am start, Peppergreen Farm, 40 Thunder Street, North 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