



SIGNPOST

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NO MEETING this week (7 December 2023) due to Foundation Dinner on 8 December 2023



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Immediate Past President Report

We enjoyed a celebration of Ron Devereaux's 90th Birthday at our Meeting on November 30. We were joined by Ron's daughter Annette, his partner Helen and long-standing Rotary friends Rob and Pam De Vries. Gary Pinner did a sterling 'this is your life' with Ron on the stage in the Boatshed. Ron has led a most interesting and successful life, rising to many challenges and not averse to risk-taking. Between Gary and Rob De Vries we learned much about Ron's personal life and his Rotary life. Ron also brought along some memorabilia from his highlights for us to check out! Ron was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation from DG Ron Payne and we ended the meal with a beautiful cake and a hearty rendition of Happy Birthday.

A reminder that there is no Meeting next Thursday due to the Cluster Foundation Dinner on Friday night. After that it's our Christmas Finale – the year seems to have flown by! We look forward to entertainment by the Women of Note Choir.

You might also be interested to read the District Annual Report on <https://rotaryactivate.org/resource/d9800-annual-report-2223>

We have a flurry of fundraising activity between now and then. See you at a BBQ/Event!!

Merlyn Quaife AM

REMINDER: Goldfields Clusters Foundation Dinner

Event: Goldfields Clusters Foundation Dinner

Date & Time: 8 December, Friday at 6:30 pm for 7pm start

Place: Quality Lakeside Hotel, 286, Napier Street Bendigo

RSVP: 29 Nov 2023

**Year-end meeting & Christmas Dinner
14 Dec 2023**

IMPORTANT request from Tony:

1. Members who completed the circulated sheet at the meeting, please check that what you have indicated is recorded correctly. (see attachment)
2. If you were not at the meeting, please advise Tony of your attendance or alternatively, provide an apology.
3. All members who are intending to attend are to pay \$45 p.p. into the club account no later than Dec 7
4. Tony would like to have final numbers **by no later than our next meeting on Nov 30**

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District 9800 – Bendigo Conference

Rotary 
District 9800

Bendigo Conference
12-14th April 2024

Earlybird Bookings Now Open
(Earlybird prices end 16/12/2023)

Rotarian, Partners & Friends:	\$340
First-time attendee:	\$250
Rotaractor & Youth Exchange:	\$150
Foundation Breakfast:	\$40

Book now at: www.trybooking.com/CMCUD

GATHERING ON THE GOLDFIELDS



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Email from Suren Poruri – Global Grants, RI District 3150, INDIA

Dear President Rod Spitty ,

This is Suren Poruri, District Chairman - Global Grants, RI District 3150, from India.
Your rotary club of Bendigo South was chartered on December 2, 1959, which is today. Your club completed 64 years service today in RI District 9800 in serving the communities across the world .

I would like to extend my warm wishes to you and to all your club members on this joyous moment.

Rotary is the only organization which has global foot print and is working towards happy communities across the world with it's noble initiatives.
Thanks to our rotary club founder Rtn Paul Harris, we are able to make a difference in the communities where we live.

Rotary clubs across the world executes service projects worth 2 billion dollars every year in their communities. Rotarians gives 25 million volunteer hours to their communities across the world every year.

Thanks and regards

Suren Poruri
District Chairman - Global Grants(Successfully executed 1 million dollar worth of global grants)
District Best Club President for year 2017-18
RI district 3150
+91 99855 55289.

**Report from Merlyn Quaife AM
MOBILE PHONE COLLECTION**

Don't forget all those old mobile phones you and your family members may have. Our Collection Box is in the Library. Old phones can be deposited there or brought to me at Club Meetings.

Check out the website for details of clearing phones ready for donation on
<https://dvsafephone.org/donate-phones>

Phones are distributed to victims of domestic violence via police, agencies, refuges etc after being checked and made fully serviceable.

– Community Service

**Request from Merlyn Quaife AM
Foodshare Christmas Pantry**

Many thanks to Members who put up their hands to assist:

December 28: Jan Pagliaro (driver) and Heather Nixon - morning run
Merlyn Q (driver) and Bernie Young - afternoon run

January 4: George Ellis (driver) and Margaret Kelly - morning run
Merlyn Q and Bernie Young - afternoon run

Merlyn – Community Service

BBQ & Carpark Bookings to date

BBQ		
Monday, Dec 4th	CFMEU BBQ Lunch at Bendigo Racecourse	9am to 12 noon 8 volunteers required. 12noon to 3pm 6 volunteers required.
Saturday Dec 9th	RYLA BBQ Camp Getaway	12noon to 2pm 3 volunteers required.
Thursday Dec 21st	City of Bendigo lunch Adam St depot	11am to 2pm 6 volunteers required

This week in pics



Christmas Market – Mandurang Valley Winery

Winner of the Rotary Christmas Market Painting:
Sharnee Kelly (photo)

A mention:
Winner of the Rochester Little Athletic:
Shirley Hammond.

“This is your Life” at Ron Devereaux’s 90th Birthday Celebration





Ron with presenters, Gary Pinner (left) and Rob De Vries (above)



Rotarians setting for Tony's garage sale



December theme – Disease Prevention and Treatment		
Thurs 7 Dec	NO MEETING in lieu of Foundation Dinner	
Fri 8 Dec	Foundation Dinner	Quality Lakeside Hotel, 286 Napier Street
Thurs 14 Dec	Christmas Break up. Chair- Rod Spitty	Lake View Hotel
CHRISTMAS BREAK		
January 2024 theme – Vocational Service Month		
Thurs 4 Jan	NO MEETING	
Thurs 11 Jan	Rotary Resumes	TBA

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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<u>THE OBJECT OF ROTARY</u>
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.

<u>WHO'S WHO?</u>	
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:	Gordon McNally
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Ron Payne

CLUB PRESIDENT	Rod Spitty
SECRETARY	Bernie Young
TREASURER	Greg Noonan
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR	Paul Gibbons

INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR and IPP
MEMBERSHIP & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR and PRESIDENT ELECT
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR
FUND-RAISING and FINANCE DIRECTOR
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Lindsay Jolley
Merlyn Quaife AM
Matthew Scott
Peter Kilpatrick
Geoff McKinna
Rod Spitty
Gary Pinner
Susan Ducan
Shireen Yeoh

D9800 Goldfields Cluster Club Meeting Times

RC KANGAROO FLAT: Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

Secretary - Geoff Wakefield: 0407 561 997

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 – 0409 957 000

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute
Contact on 0428 468 298

RC ROCHESTER:

Thursday 6.15pm for 6:30pm, The Rochester Hotel.

Contact – Bryan: 0428 315 467

RC CASTLEMAINE: Wednesday 6:30pm, The Cumberland Hotel

Secretary - Lyndal McClure: 0438 391 160