



# 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 our last meeting Club members were treated to a first class presentation from member John Stewart who travelled to the Falklands, South Georgia and Antarctica with his son.

John's presentation provided a terrific insight into travel where the theme is remoteness, the laws of nature at work and being part of a small technically based group. Thank you, John, for a great presentation that was appreciated by all and reflected in the numerous questions and member attentiveness. (You could hear a pin drop!).

The Club is easing back into the New Year with the Australia Day BBQ as our next major event.

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Set out in the calendar is our working program for February/March up to Easter.

A sincere thank you to members for their continued input into our Club program - much appreciated and keep those ideas and thoughts coming. You will see there is quite a variety of activity in our program including Member talk and tram ride with Peter Kilpatrick, part two to TAFE - Central Campus and a bowls night jointly with Rotary Club of Sandhurst being organised by Phil Lethbridge.

Happy Australia and see you at the Australia Day BBQ at Lake Weeroona.

Yours in Rotary

Rod Spitty  
President

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**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](http://www.trybooking.com/CMCUD)  
**GATHERING ON THE GOLDFIELDS**



**Request from Merlyn Quaife**  
**MOBILE PHONE COLLECTION**

Don't forget to hunt up any old mobile phones to donate to DV Safe Phone. 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.

Merlyn – Community Service

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**Volunteers needed for Australia Day BBQ at Lake Weeroona, Bendigo**

**Location:** Creek side of Lake Weeroona, opposite the Tennis Centre (Nolan Street end).  
Lake Weeroona Bendigo, Nolan Street, Bendigo

<b>7am Set-up</b>	4 Volunteers
<b>8 am – 12 noon</b>	8 volunteers in total
<b>12 noon – 3 pm</b>	6 volunteers in total

Please advise George Ellis if you are able to help.  
Also indicate if you are flexible with your choice of shift.

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## Photos this week

### Stunning photos from John Stewart's trip to South Georgia & Antarctic



Stanley, Capital of  
Falkland Islands  
(Malvinas Islands)

Port of Stanley











January 2024 theme – Vocational Service Month		
Thurs 25 Jan	NO MEETING in lieu of Australia Day	
Fri 26 Jan	Australia Day - BBQ	Lake Weeroona
February 2024 theme – Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution		
Thurs 1 Feb	Presentation of Donation to Ulumbarra Foundation from Concert Proceeds & presentation to Sunshine Bendigo - proceeds from Mandurang Market (TBC) Chairs - Rod Spitty and Lyn Comer	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 8 Feb	Bendigo Tram Ride & Meal onboard Host and Driver - Peter Kilpatrick	Bendigo Tram Depot
Thurs 15 Feb	Quarterly Reports & Presentation by Exchange Student Nacho (TBC) Followed by Board Meeting Chair - Rod Spitty	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 22 Feb	Guest Speaker - Aviv Palti (TBC) Chair - Greg Penno (TBC)	Lake View Hotel
Tues 27 Feb	Bowls Night - joint with Rotary Club of Sandhurst - followed by meal at bowls club Convenor - Phil Lethbridge	Strathfieldsaye Bowls Club
Thurs 29 Feb	NO MEETING in lieu of Bowls Night	
March 2024 theme – Water and Sanitation		
Thurs 7 Mar	TAFE Visit TBC followed by meal at TAFE	TBC
Thurs 14 Mar	Maubisse Movie Night Eaglehawk	TBC

Thurs 21 Mar	Guest Speaker - Matthew Scott Training & Development - Food Handling & Camino Trail	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 28 Mar	NO MEETING in lieu of Easter	
Friday 29 Mar	Good Friday	

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<p>THE FOUR WAY TEST</p> <p>Is it the TRUTH</p> <p>Is it FAIR to all concerned?</p> <p>Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?</p> <p>Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned</p>
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<p><b><u>THE OBJECT OF ROTARY</u></b></p> <p>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:</p> <p>FIRST.</p> <p>The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;</p> <p>SECOND.</p> <p>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;</p> <p>THIRD.</p> <p>The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;</p> <p>FOURTH.</p> <p>The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.</p>
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<b><u>WHO'S WHO?</u></b>	
ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:	Gordon McNally
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Ron Payne
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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  
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR  
NEWSLETTER EDITOR

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](mailto:kaye.l.lehmann@gmail.com) ; 0418 355 253

**RC ECHUCA MOAMA:** 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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