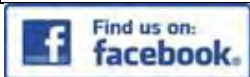




SIGNPOST

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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

Another cold damp night with a good attendance.

Our new member Paul Sherwood, spoke about his life from being born in England and coming out as a £10 pom at a young age, to working at the City of Greater Bendigo. His main memory on the ship coming out was 6 weeks of sea sickness.

He attended Tallarook primary school and Seymour Secondary School. He has also attended a number of tertiary institutions.

Paul has worked in a number of large private firms such as BHP and finally joined the COGB as Contract Co-ordinator in May 2011.

He said local government is more bureaucratic but some of the private firms he worked for were quite ruthless. Diplomas and Degrees are now not enough. The expectation of even higher education qualifications is now the norm, with some companies willing to pay the employees education costs.

Paul listed a number of functions he looks after and the waste management function generated a lot of interest and questions. I think the public would be unaware of some of the functions the COGB are involved with. Paul did touch on the confusion raised when rules change with regard to what can be recycled and what can't.

If it is of any help this is the link to the A – Z recycle guide.

<https://www.bendigo.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2024-05/City-Greater-Bendigo-A-Z-Guide-Waste-May-2024.pdf>

I attended the Eaglehawk changeover dinner last Friday and was a bit surprised Alison was still looking for 2 directors, while she is now President, Treasurer and Rotary community leader.

I also attended the Kangaroo Flat handover last Monday. Rod Spitty and Greg Penno attended Sandhurst and Castlemaine changeovers on behalf of our club.

We are still looking for members to volunteer to be a backup for Matthew so the website can be updated even when he is away. With a little bit of knowledge, it is not overly complicated. Please contact Matthew if you think you can help. You should also be contacted by directors asking you to be part of their committee.

Yours in Rotary.

Peter Kilpatrick
President

Mark Balla – our guest speaker for our next Thursday meeting

Mark Balla is past President of the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central and a past Assistant Governor District 9810 in Melbourne. He has recently completed six years on the board of the WASH Rotary Action Group and is a member of the Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisors.

He joined Box Hill Central in March 2014 bringing a small but significant project with him. Mark will tell us about this project and others that have developed since.

In the decade and a bit since joining Rotary, Mark has attended Rotary International Conventions in Brazil, South Korea, Canada, Germany, Australia and Singapore and spoken at side events at all of these. He has also presented at 20 Rotary District Conferences in Australia, the USA and India as well as numerous other Rotary and non-Rotary events.

Mark is married to Annie and they now live in the small Victorian community of Lancefield not far from Hanging Rock. They have two adult children - daughter Paris who recently completed a PhD in Theatre at Monash University and son Oscar who has just completed a Masters in Archaeology at the ANU in Canberra. Mark has a complicated relationship with his family cat and his golf handicap. The family dog also has a complicated relationship with the cat. During the pandemic Mark became seriously addicted to cycling, which he finds far less frustrating than golf.

Backpack for Kids

Visit to see the container at Baptist Church in Junortoun

Back Packs 4 Vic Kids

with Dot Smith the local co-ordinator.

Monday 22 July at 11 am

This is a visit to see the recently opened facility which is now accessible to our local emergency services who get call outs to help children in need of basic items. This is an amazing program and recently featured at our D9800 Conference in Bendigo. All welcome. Donations also of children's clothes and toys much appreciated but optional.

Enquiries to Lynne Cooper or Tony Plant.

Message from Ray Carrington -Joint President of the Rotary Club of Bendigo SANDHURST.

A Visit to Donations In Kind, at their Open Day on Saturday, 10th August.

Please put this date in your diary if you think there is a chance you would like to visit the DIK storage and dispatch factory at Footscray on the day. It is a superb facility, packed with all sorts of goods that can be offered to our clubs to assist people and organizations in need, both here in Australia and overseas. DIK volunteers will be providing food for attendees on the day.

Rochester Rotary Club has their 24-seater bus available on the day, complete with one of their members who is a qualified driver. If there are enough numbers from Bendigo Rotary Clubs, not just from our club, who wish to take the bus to the DIK storage facility, the charge would be \$20 per person. This seems like very good value, and a good fellowship opportunity. It's early days yet, but think about having a most interesting tour of the facility, with a free meal and a *fair few laughs* on the day thrown in.

Any members from Bendigo South who are interested in coming along please let Tony Plant know. Tony will be circulating a response sheet to collect names commencing from the next club meeting at the Lake View on June 13. Alternatively send him an email asking to be added to the list.

**Lessons in Disaster Training
Invitation to register**

To all members or interested persons known to members: please register now for the LESSONS IN DISASTER TRAINING using the link in the attached Invitation.

Location: California Gully Mechanics Institute Hall
8-12 school street, California Gully Vic 3556
Date & Time: Sunday 18 August; 9.30am to 4.30pm

Tony Plant

Rotary's International Work

Do you have an interest in Rotary's international work?
Do you want to join the Club's International Committee?
Please let me know. I am currently caravanning up north.

Lindsay Jolley –
0416192032 / lj@joll.net

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

Congratulations to our very own Greg Penno!

His impressive artwork, judged by Geoff Paynter, was selected as Best in Show at the Strathfieldsaye Primary School Arts Festival this weekend.



*Titled: Carnival
Acrylic on canvass – 120cm x 90cm*

Photos from members who are travelling



Trevor & I are in Blackall, QLD (passing through) and ran into another Rotarian - Rob Rosaia(not sure which club) Cheers Sue x

Photos from this week



This week's guest speaker was our own Paul Sherwood(above) and the meeting was chaired by Graham Neivandt (below)



*Signing of Donation and Sponsorship Agreement between
Rotary Club of Bendigo South and Bendigo TAFE - Kangan Institute
President Peter Kilpatrick, Past President Rod Spitty and
David Richardson - Head of Campus TAFE Bendigo*

Greet & Meet
(See roster below)

Duties of Greet and Meet monitors as follows.

Arrive by 6 pm.

Be there to welcome members as they arrive, distribute name badges and put up the door banner if it is available. Also make sure the guest speaker is looked after.

Two persons will be rostered on each meeting. If unable to take your turn check with the other person if they are going to be attending. If so that person goes it on their own. If both are unable to be there try to arrange a swap with another member. If all else fails let Tony know and he will either take the turn or find a replacement.

All members need to keep reading the roster for each month as this is the only formal notification.

July theme – Maternal and Child Health			
Thurs 25 July	Mark Balla-Toilet Warrior Chair: Rod Spitty	Meet & Greet: Kerri/Jan	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 1 Aug	Aviv Palti Chair: Greg Penno	Meet & Greet: Max/Ian	Lake View Hotel

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:	Stephanie Urchick
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Michael Lapina

CLUB PRESIDENT	Peter Kilpatrick
SECRETARY	Bernie Young
TREASURER	Heather Nixon
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR	Greg Penno
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR & PE	Lindsay Jolley
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR	Greg Noonan
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR	Jan Pagliaro
CLUB SERVICE & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	Tony Plant
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER	Geoff McKinna
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR and IPP	Rod Spitty
FUND-RAISING and FINANCE DIRECTOR	Gary Pinner
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR	Rod Spitty
NEWSLETTER EDITOR	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.

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

Secretary - Lyndal McClure: 0438 391 160