



# 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

Due to the Science and Engineering Challenge we did not have a meeting last Thursday. Thank you to everyone who helped out, especially to Rod and Tony. I felt the way the student approached the whole exercise was a real credit to each and every one of them. Our future is inn good hands.

We have the DG's visit coming up on September the 26th and I'm looking at having a board meeting with the DG for about an hour before the meeting. There are a couple of issues we have which I'm hoping we can raise with him.

Yours in Rotary  
Peter Kilpatrick  
President

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### Guest Speaker and Meal Ordering Arrangements - Thursday 15 August

The guest speaker for next week's dinner meeting will be Debbie Butler, co -founder of Blaze Aid. Debbie will not be able to attend until 7.30 pm so just for this meeting we will eat first with our speaker to follow. To make this arrangement work successfully I will need those members attending to place their meal order with me by no later than 1 pm next Thursday.

Please email me your selections from the menu provided as per the attachment. Payment is to be made at the Lake View Hotel prior to the meeting commencement time at 6.30 pm. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Tony Plant

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## Science and Engineering Challenge - 8th August - Girton Grammar School Stadium.

Last Thursday the Club hosted the Science and Engineering Challenge for 2024 at Girton Grammar School Stadium. There were approx 150 Year 10 Students from 6 schools in attendance. Participating Schools were:

- Girton Grammar School
- Weeroona College
- Catherine McAuley College
- Crusoe College.
- Bendigo South East College
- Creek Street Christian College.

There were approximately 18 Supervisors from Rotary and Community contributing to the success of the day. Spirits were very competitive despite the chilly day and students and teachers were effectively engaged. This week marks the commencement of National Science Week.

Emily Mudge Principal in her company Invest In People, opened the Challenge and provided an insight into women in Science and Engineering and her personal growth and career pathway. A huge thank you to Supervisors and Emily for their contributions to the day.

The Event was won by Bendigo South East College although the day was very competitive. This school will represent Central Victoria at a State Final in Geelong on the 5th September. The National Final will be held this year in Townsville.

Again thank you to Rotarians and Business for their support. It costs approx \$12000 to conduct this annual event. Thank you to the Project Committee. A successful day was enjoyed by all.

Rod Spitty

Chair Science and Engineering Challenge - Central Victoria





Rod Spitty with Coliban Water judges/presenters Ranjith Muniraju and Fabia Tabassum.



Some volunteer Rotarians activity supervisors



Rod Spitty, and some of the support team of teachers and Rotary volunteers



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### Donations in Kind Open Day - 10 August

Last Saturday three members from the Rotary Club of Bendigo South - Tony, Margaret and Rod attended the DIK Open Day at the Warehouse Operations Centre in West Footscray. The bus from Rochester transported 16 members followed by 2 cars from our Cluster.

It was a terrific day and the camaraderie was in high spirits. The day was very informative, well organised and provided a great opportunity to meet other clubs and to understand and see DIK operations in progress. (See attachment for further information)

Rod Spitty



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**Vision Australia Radio open day**

Vision Australia Radio Bendigo – 88.9FM is opening our studio door to the public for a behind-the-scenes peek into this vital radio service for the local blind and low vision community.

**Date: Friday 16 August; 9:30am – 11:30am**

**Location: Vision Australia Radio Studio at 20 Bridge Street, Bendigo**

Light snacks provided.

Our team of passionate volunteers provide a variety of local and networked programming. They read the local newspapers, talk about current affairs, produce podcasts and specialist magazine-style programs. At the open studio, visitors can take a tour to see what goes in to putting together a live radio program, sit behind the microphone and simulate a live show!

We can't wait to showcase our incredible volunteers and this important community service provided to the communities of Bendigo, Mildura and their surrounding areas. You're all very welcome to attend, and please pass on this invitation to anyone who might be interested.

**Please RSVP by email by Monday 12 August.**

Warm regards,

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**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

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## 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 Quaife

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### Greet & Meet (See roster below)

Duties of Greet and Meet monitors as follows.

Arrive by 6 pm, 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.

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### Some more of the activity this week



Margaret and Clive on the tools at La Trobe University

| <b>August theme - Membership and New Club Development Month</b> |  |                     |                             |                 |
|---|--|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|
| Meeting Date  | Speakers   | Chairperson         | Greet and Meet              | Venue           |
| Thurs 15 Aug  | Blaze Aid-<br>Debbie Butler  | Bob<br>Simpson      | Greg Penno/Paul<br>Sherwood | Lake View       |
| Thurs 22 Aug  | Intra-club Roles,<br>sub committees<br>plans for the yr.<br>Board meeting. | Peter<br>Kilpatrick | Paul G/Margaret             | Lake View       |
| Thurs 29 Aug  | Arena Theatre-<br>Debra  | Merlyn<br>Quaife    | Philip/Heather              | Lake View       |
| <b>September theme - Basic Education and Literacy Month</b>     |  |                     |                             |                 |
| Thurs 5 Sept  | Footy theme and<br>Pie Night-South<br>Bendigo FC                           | George Ellis        | N/A                         | Harry Trot Oval |
| Thurs 12 Sept   | University<br>Scholarship<br>Winners<br>Health<br>Sci/Engineering          | Greg Penno          | Rod/Paul S                  | Lake View       |

**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?

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| ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT                     | Stephanie Urchick |
| DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR                             | Michael Lapina    |
| DISTRICT 9800 COMMUNITY GROUP 5 LEADER             | Alison Bacon      |
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| CLUB PRESIDENT                                     | Peter Kilpatrick  |
| SECRETARY  | Bernie Young      |
| TREASURER  | Heather Nixon     |
| YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR                            | Greg Penno        |
| INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR and PRESIDENT ELECT | 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 IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT   | 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](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.

**RC CASTLEMAINE:** Wednesday 6:30pm, The Cumberland Hotel  
Secretary - Lyndal McClure: 0438 391 160