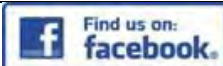




SIGNPOST

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



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NO MEETING NEXT WEEK DUE TO FUNDRAISING FILM NIGHT

Lindsay's notes

If you were not there, you missed a great and enjoyable opportunity to welcome our new Member Endel Vallak and his wife Barbara, and then to hear what made DG Peter Shephard who he is, from his varied work career through to his many roles in Rotary. We welcomed Alison Bacon, Peter's chauffeur for the week and Members' partners.

Endel has transferred from the Rotary Club of Traralgon after eleven years of service and Barbara will continue her involvement with Innerwheel. Endel takes on the Classification of 'Power Industry' and will join the Youth Services Committee. If you did not have the opportunity on the night, please make sure that you welcome Endel when you see him.

Peter emphasised that it is important for Members to feel they belong if they are to stay with Rotary. Also, those in the community who have a passion for a particular cause should be sought out as prospective Members with the message that Rotary can help them achieve the outcome they seek. Peter reminded us that all donations to the Rotary Foundation go to where they are needed, and their value is increased through several years of interest earning. We were also given the reminder that the next District Conference (a combined conference of D9800, D9780 and D9510) will be held in Horsham on 27-29 March 2026. You will hear more from Tony, our 'On to conference campaigner'.

Earlier in the day, Tony attended Peter's visit to the East Timor Knitting Project at the Eaglehawk storage sheds. Tony assists in the baling and dispatching of the woollen garments to Timor-Leste. Later, I attended Peter's visit to Strath Village to look at the new trailer in action for the Christmas Trailer Raffle, jointly managed by the RC of Eaglehawk and ourselves. The signwriting images of sleigh sides are impressive. Thanks Max and Ian.

The Board met with Peter for an hour prior to our Club meeting, in which we presented an update on our progress with this year's Work Plan. We appreciated the fruitful discussions and the recognition of Members' hard work.

Do not forget that there will not be a meeting next Thursday. Instead, everyone is encouraged to attend the Bendigo Maubisse Friendship Committee's fundraising film night at the Star Cinema in Eaglehawk. The film, *A Big Bold Beautiful Journey*, is an interesting portrayal of the characters travelling back in time to their earlier lives.

Lindsay Jolley



DG Peter Shephard



President Lindsay Jolley



Welcoming our new Member Endel Vallak



Arrival of container goods in Maubisse

Below are photos that have been sent from Maubisse celebrating their latest shipment from Bendigo.

As well as the chairs referred to, there are also the wool packs in the fore ground. We are currently packing more goods to go out at the end of this month.

Tony Plant

Good night, Mr. Lindsay Jolley, I would like to inform you that we have picked up the goods sent from Bendigo from Dili. I am sending a photo of the handover of the goods to an official representing the Maubisse Sub-district Head.

And that the Bendigo committee in Maubisse yesterday asked the Rotary Club for chairs and received 36 chairs for kindergarten schools. and the chairs will be distributed to kindergarten schools in the near future..... thank you.

The photos with the message are attached.

Manuel (Maubisse):







Volunteers required - Camping & Leisure Show Car Parking

Hi George and Gary,

Rotary Bendigo has been contracted to provide the car parking services for the Camping and Leisure Show at the Bendigo Jockey Club from Friday November 21st to Sunday the 23rd inclusive.

This is a big event and will require us using all three major parking areas at the jockey club.

We will be bringing volunteers at different times – the earliest commencing at 7am to park the exhibitors. Another start time will be 8.30am when visitors will be admitted.

As with previous years I am expecting that most volunteers will be able to leave between 1.30 & 2pm.

As done previously we will be offering this volunteer opportunity to a few clubs so, if you are interested in assisting us, can you please provide the number of volunteers your organisation can provide in the next 2 weeks?

If you have any queries, please call.

Cheers, Peter

Peter Reading

Rotary Club of Bendigo

Past President 2022 23

Chairman – Rotary Carols by Candlelight Committee

Ph: 0429 044 099

9800 Rotary District Conference MARCH 27-29

The district conference will be held in Horsham as a combined event with districts 9510 and 9780. There has been regular feedback to previous district governors, especially from country club members, that our conference venue should be held within Victoria and be within driving distance. Not an interstate event requiring further expenses associated with getting there. DG Peter has taken this on board so it is up to us now to support him by turning up.

If we think back to the great weekend we had together in Barham some time ago we could come together in Horsham and rediscover a bit of that same sharing of friendliness and comradeship that was evident during the Barham experience. As well as having a bit of fun it is a great opportunity for all attending to perhaps renew their vows to Rotary too! I am asking you all to make a circle on your calendar around the last weekend in March next year and join me for a great time in Horsham . As more details come to hand, I will pass on the relevant information.

Tony Plant

On to conference campaigner.

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

1. Anyone who is intending to go and needs motel accommodation needs to book ASAP as it is limited.
2. The District Governor had also advised that the conference booking arrangements with prices for the various activities will be released very soon

BMFC Committee Movie Night –

A Big Bold Beautiful Journey, 9 October 2025 (see flyer).

Click here [LINK](#) to nab your favourite couch early.

Opening Night
AT THE STAR CINEMA

MARGOT ROBBIE and COLIN FARRELL
invite you on...

A Big Bold Beautiful Journey

6:30PM THU OCTOBER 9
BOOK NOW!

SCAN THE QR CODE, CLICK THIS LINK, OR JUST CALL
THE STAR CINEMA BETWEEN 11- 3 Mon-Fri 5446 2025

FUNDRAISING FOR BENDIGO MAUBISSE FRIENDSHIP COMMITTEE INC.

Children's Festival

Bendigo's first Children's Festival will be held at Ulumbarra Theatre on **Saturday, 11 October 2025**, from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Seeking volunteers from our Rotary Club to assist on the day.

<https://www.arenatheatre.com.au/creativeverse>

Jan Pagliaro



D9800 Goldfields Clusters Foundation Dinner



ROTARY D9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTERS FOUNDATION DINNER

Rotarians, Partners and Guests are cordially invited to attend our Foundation Dinner to be held on Tuesday 28th October 2025 at 6:30pm for 7:00pm at The Bendigo Club, Park Street, Strathdale.

Come and join District Governor Peter Shephard and District Foundation Director Julie Mason for an evening of great fellowship and a little fund raising for the "End Polio Now" Project.

Tickets: \$50 per person for a three-course meal and a welcoming drink on arrival.

Other drinks during the evening at bar prices.

RSVP no later than 21st October 2025 but earlier advice to Wayne Smith, RC of Bendigo at chartall@bigpond.com would be appreciated.

Payments can be made by Direct Debit to The Rotary Club of Bendigo BSB: 633000 Account No: 159 247 410 or via your Club Foundation Director



Catering and BBQs

Future BBQ Catering bookings		
Sat, 11 th Oct	Latrobe Uni Community Day Rosiland Park Piazza near large Bendigo Letters opposite fountain	10.30 – 2 pm 3 volunteers required.
Wed, 15 th Oct	COGB Council Depot Breakfast Adam Street Bendigo	6 am – 8am 6 volunteers required.
Fri, 7 th Nov	Mc Kean Mc Gregor Building & Living Expo Baptist Church Novo Centre 757 Mc Ivor Highway Junortoun	4 pm – 7.30 Heather Nixon & Trevor Hawking. No further help required
Thurs, 13 th Nov	TAFE World Kindness Day Hargreaves Street Campus opposite Bendigo Bowl	11am – 1.30 4 volunteers required
Sat, 15 th Nov	Swap Meet Bendigo Bendigo Showgrounds Holmes Road Bendigo	2 shifts 6 am – 10 am Rod Spitty and Heather Nixon 4 more volunteers required

		11am – 4 pm Cora Fuentes-Mahnic, Endal Vallac, Sue Duncan and Trevor Hawking 2 more volunteers required.
Sat, 22 nd Nov	Scotts on Show Truscott Reserve Murdock Street Cal Gully	10 am – 3 pm 3 volunteers required.
Fri, 21 st Nov Sat, 22 nd Nov Sun, 23 rd Nov	Camping and Caravan Leisure Fest Car Parking Bendigo Racecourse Epsom	2 shifts 7 am – 10am 6 volunteers 10am – 1pm 6 volunteers
Sun, 30 th Nov	Mandurang Christmas Market Faddersons Lane Mandurang	9 am – 12 pm 4 volunteers 12 pm – 3 pm 4 volunteers
Mon, 1 st Dec	CFMEU Christmas Picnic Bendigo Racecourse Epsom	9am – 12 pm 8 volunteers 12 pm – 3 pm 6 volunteers.

Meeting Date	Speakers	Chairperson	Meet & Greet	Venue
OCTOBER THEME: ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT				
Thurs 9 Oct	NO MEETING DUE TO MAUBISSE MOVIE NIGHT			
Thurs 16 Oct	Latrobe Scholarship Recipients Ashleigh McDerby & Brent White Board Meeting	Rod Spitty	Mark T	Lake View Hotel
Thurs 23 Oct	Nigel Preston Maryborough Energy Breakthrough Rotary Talk – Liz Bannon Domestic Violence & Rotary	TBA	Gary & Cora	Lake View Hotel
Tues 28 Oct	FOUNDATION DINNER AT THE BENDIGO CLUB			
Thurs 30 Oct	NO MEETING DUE TO FOUNDATION DINNER ON TUESDAY 28 OCT			
NOVEMBER THEME: ROTARY FOUNDATION				
Thurs 6 Nov	Lakeview not available			

Thurs 13 Nov	Western composting Technology – Ken Dicken	Paul Sherwood		Lake View Hotel
Thurs 20 Nov	TBA			Lake View Hotel
Thurs 27 Nov	Margaret Keech OAM Dragons Abreast (TBC) AGM	Merlyn Quaife		TBC
Sun 30 Nov	Mandurang Christmas Market			



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	Francesco Arezzo
DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR	Peter Shephard
DISTRICT 9800 NC VIC COMMUNITY LEADER	Alison Bacon

CLUB PRESIDENT	Lindsay Jolley
SECRETARY	Bernie Young
TREASURER & IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT	Peter Kilpatrick
COMMUNITY SERVICE DIRECTOR & PRESIDENT ELECT	Cora Fuentes-Mahnic
YOUTH SERVICES DIRECTOR	Jan Pagliaro
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE DIRECTOR	Heather Nixon
MEMBERSHIP, COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING DIRECTOR	Tony Plant
CLUB SERVICE DIRECTOR	Sue Duncan
FUND-RAISING and MAJOR PROJECTS DIRECTOR	Gary Pinner
VOCATIONS DIRECTOR	Rod Spitty
CLUB PROTECTION OFFICER	Geoff McKinna
FOUNDATION OFFICER	Anne Peace
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: Daniela Ionescu – d.ionescu@latrobe.edu.au

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: Paul Henderson – 0428 177 314

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute
Contact 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

INNER WHEEL CLUB of BENDIGO: 11.15am, 2nd Tuesday of the month,
Mechanics Institute, Long Gully.
Bernadette: 0407051722