

Rotary Club of Bendigo South **SIGNPOST**

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Meets Thursdays at 6pm for 6.30pm at the Lakeview Hotel (TBC weekly)

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President's Report

I've just returned from four days hiking the Great Ocean Road. In my absence Bernie Young sent me a report on the Foundation Dinner held by the Cluster last Wednesday at the Bendigo Club. Here's Bernie's summary:

The Dinner was Chaired by Peter Reading, President of RC Bendigo, KF President Matthew Leeder did the Acknowledgement of Country. Attendees heard from Heather Watson about the flood situation in Rochester and the various ways Rotary has been assisting. PDG Grant Hocking spoke on Foundation history and of the \$4.4 billion spent on Projects. PDG Murray Verso then gave a lively presentation on Polio – ending polio is still the main Rotary Humanitarian Project and RI will not contemplate a new top priority project until polio is eradicated. Despite recent pockets of recurrence, the aim is to eradicate Polio by the end of 2023 with confirmation by the end of 2026.

And talking of End Polio, don't forget the Film Night on December 6 at 5.30 (Bendigo Cinemas). RI has the target of raising US\$50 million per year, all matched 2 for 1 by the Gates Foundation. We've raised a tidy sum with the October Walk, but we can add to this easily with an enjoyable evening at the Cinema.

Back at the Lake View this week! See you all Thursday.

Merlyn Quaife AM



President's Report – November 17th

On November 17 we heard from one of our Christmas Raffle Partners, RDA which stands for Riding Develops Abilities. Jan King first showed us a video and then spoke passionately of the work RDA does. RDA Bendigo commenced in 1976, they currently have 16 riders who come for a half hour session on a fortnightly basis. 30 volunteers assist at RDA Bendigo. Since Covid, which has interfered with so much of our lives, each rider now has to have individual reins and leaders have to have their own lead rope. They play a lot of games eg. Simon Says which develop coordination, balance, colour recognition etc. Every four years they hold a 'Mini Olympics' which entails Dressage – identifying letters, Jumping – poles on the ground but riders have to negotiate a course and a trail ride for Cross Country. Medals and trophies are awarded, so if you have any trophies lying around that you no longer want, RDA will happily take them off your hands and repurpose them. Many of the riders stay for years and improve their skill base exponentially.

After the meal, we held the AGM, capably chaired by our Secretary Paul Gibbons, who broke the record for efficient use of time!

Don't forget to sign-up for the Latrobe Engineering tour and breakfast, the End Polio Film Night and our Christmas Function. At the Christmas Function we will hold a raffle and also accept donations to purchase a toy voucher to be donated to the Uniting Church for their Christmas Toy Appeal.

BBQs are thick on the ground again so a big thanks to all of you who are able to assist and to Gary and George for the planning!

DIK has supplied some necessary goods for Rochester and they were collected by Members of Eaglehawk on behalf of the Goldfields Cluster.

Looking to next year, the International Conference will be in Melbourne – it would be great to have a contingent of Club Members attending and the price will rise as of December 15. Here's a video to whet your appetite:
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/kb20j60kn9lgjc3/RICON%20Promo%20Video.mp4?dl=0>

I will be absent this week as I tackle a four day walk 'Twelve Apostles'.

Merlyn Quaife AM



Mosquito Repellent outdoor spray – Geoff Gallagher swears this works:

Mix together to make a spray

3 cups of Epsom Salts

3 cups of stale beer

1 large bottle of blue mouth wash

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER PROGRAM

Weds 30th November

LaTrobe University 7.45am

Joint inspection of Engineering/Health wings at LaTrobe University With Rotary Club of Bendigo Sandhurst. Followed by coffee/breakfast at the University Cafe.

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Thurs 1st December

Lake View Hotel

Guest Speaker – Foodshare

Presenting on our clubs involvement over Christmas & other general Foodshare activity

Chair – TBA

Thurs 8th December

Lake View Hotel

Guest speaker – TBA

Chair – TBA.

Thurs 15th December

Lake View Hotel

Christmas Function

Chair – Merlyn Quaife

Thurs 29th December

NO MEETING



Industry Visit to the Engineering and Technology Facility- La Trobe University

The combined Industry visit to the Engineering and Technology Facility of La Trobe University with the Rotary Club of South Bendigo will be on Wednesday November 30th commencing at 7.45AM. Members are asked to gather in the Tutorial Room on the ground floor immediately to the right of the main entrance of the Engineering and Technology Building which is in Sharon Street opposite the roundabout. Tea and coffee will be available on arrival. There will be plenty of street parking at this time of day or alternatively parking is available until 10AM in the carpark to the left of gate eight which is the second entrance past the roundabout.

The format of the morning will be an address to explain the workings of the facility for half an hour. This will be followed by a tour of the facility for forty five minutes. Breakfast will be available in the Cafeteria at 9AM for those members able to stay. Myl Duffy has gone to a lot of trouble to arrange for a number of academic staff to explain their research and members will have the opportunity to meet Julie Rudner, Campus Director- La Trobe Bendigo.

Christmas Function

Thursday December 15 is our final meeting for 2022 and will be our Christmas Function at our regular meeting venue-Boat shed Lakeview Hotel. We will start collecting names at the meeting this week up until the meeting on December 8 where those attending must have booked in and paid the meal cost of \$40 per head into the club account by no later than that date. More details as they become known in the next couple of weeks but keep this night free. As well as a good role up of members let's see partners and friends coming along too to make this a great celebration of a busy calendar year.



Past DG Murray Verso speaking at the Cluster Foundation Dinner



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Mandurang Christmas Market





POLIO MOVIE EVENT — THE LOST KING

Special Rotary pre-screening at The Bendigo Cinemas on Tuesday 6th December 2022
at 5:30pm

For many years, the **Polio Movie Event** has been a very popular way for clubs to *raise funds for Rotary's number one priority, Ending Polio*. It's also an opportunity for Rotary members and people in our communities to have some fun together. This year's movie is *The Lost King*, the story of the rediscovery, by an amateur historian, of the five centuries old remains of Richard III... in a Leicester carpark. Critics describe it as *"an incredible and inspiring true story about perseverance and not taking no for an answer"*.

The movie will be released to the Australia and New Zealand public on Boxing Day, but the great news is that ***a pre-release of the movie is available for Rotary.***

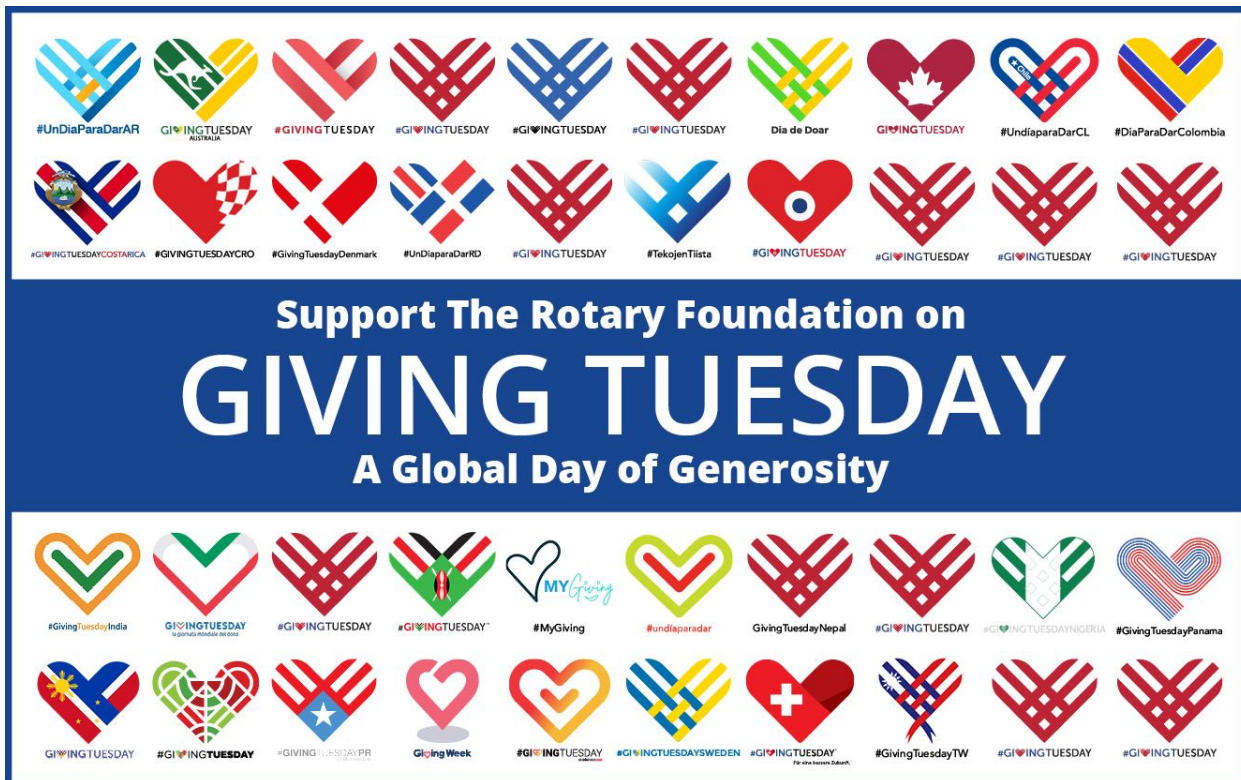
To obtain the special discount of \$10 per ticket from the cinema, we are required to guarantee a minimum attendance of 50 people. As all Rotary Clubs in the Goldfields Clusters are being invited to attend the event, I believe we should get the numbers required.

Tickets will sell at \$20 each with \$10 going to the "End-Polio-Now" cause

The last movie event in March 2022 "THE DUKE" attracted an attendance of 123 and we were able to raise \$1,600 for the "End-Polio-Now" cause.

**The cinema has requested that we advise it of the numbers attending by
28th November 2022.**

Please advise me (Sue 0417321033 or krissureg@hotmail.com) if you wish to attend, and payments for tickets can be transferred to the Rotary Club of Bendigo's Bank Account,
BSB 633000 A/C No. 106154685.



We need your help, as a Rotary leader, to raise funds and awareness for The Rotary Foundation this **Giving Tuesday, 29 November**. This global day of generosity is an opportunity for all Rotary members to make a big impact with a gift of any size to our [Annual Fund-SHARE](#). Last year, we raised more than ever before — over US\$1 million! We're asking you to help us surpass that this year, so that we can do even more good together.



Get ready to Imagine What's Next with Rotary!

Rotary members like you are taking action and creating meaningful change in communities worldwide.

At past conventions, you've seen what we can accomplish when we come together and share our passion for Doing Good in the World. We're excited to keep the momentum going in 2023. **Join us in the beautiful city of Melbourne, Australia, 27-31 May** to connect with other people of action. We'll hear from great speakers, enjoy fantastic entertainment, take part in inspirational breakout sessions, and so much more.

Register today to receive the reduced rate. Don't wait, because **this rate expires on 15 December.**

[Register Today](https://convention.rotary.org)

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District 9800



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



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CHANGE LIVES**

WHO'S WHO?

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENT:	Jennifer Jones
RI DISTRICT 9800 GOVERNOR:	Amanda Wendt

CLUB PRESIDENT	Merlyn Quaife AM
SECRETARY	Paul Gibbons
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NEWSLETTER EDITOR	Zoe Pocock

CLUSTER CLUB MEETING TIMES

DISTRICT 9800 GOLDFIELDS CLUSTER ROTARY CLUBS

RC KANGAROO FLAT: Monday 6pm, Rotary Gateway Park

Secretary - Geoff Wakefield 0408510218

RC BENDIGO: Tuesday 12:45pm, Bendigo Club, Park Street, Kennington.

Secretary: Danielle Ioniescu – 5444 0190 secretary@rotarybendigo.org.au

RC ECHUCA MOAMA: Last Tuesday of month - 6 for 6:30pm, Rotary Community Park, Rose Street, Echuca.

RC BENDIGO SANDHURST: Wednesday 7am for 7.30am start, Fosterville Gold Tennis Centre, Nolan St Bendigo

Secretary: John Harkin – 0409957000

RC EAGLEHAWK: Wednesday 6pm, Mechanics Institute

Contact on 0428468298

RC ROCHESTER: Thursday 6pm, The Court House building, Moore Street (Opp. G. Nelson Motors)

Contact - Heather Watson on 0439842177

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

Secretary - Lyndal McClure 044339116