

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

At our last Meeting on February 9 we heard from Civil Celebrant Michael Anderson. Michael is Bendigo born and bred and has had a most interesting life which he shared with us. He was a football umpire and for many years worked for Unilever. After suffering a mental breakdown he left Unilever and recovered with the support of his family, his faith and sport. He then established a gardening business and finally retrained as a Civil Celebrant, doing the Certificate IV course. While he started out doing Marriages, these days he specialises mostly in Funerals. Michael stressed the need to have that conversation with elderly relatives as to what they would like for their send-off: music, the Eulogy, form of service etc. He even suggested we each write our own Eulogy to reflect how we wish to be remembered.

At our next Meeting we will be inducting new member Shireen Yeoh before moving on to our Three Year Plan. This will be facilitated by Keith Ryall. Take a look at the old plan sent to you by email, bring a copy with you. If you are unable to attend, ideas and comments are welcomed and can be emailed to Secretary Paul Gibbons presbgosth2021@gmail.com and cc to me on merlynq@gmail.com

Please make bookings for our Film Night on March 2 (instead of our regular Meeting) – the aim is to raise money for scholarships – bring family, friends and neighbours too!

Stay cool as the heat revs up again!

Merlyn Quaife AM



FEBRUARY/MARCH PROGRAM

Thurs 16 th February	Lake View Hotel 3 year Plan Development Workshop Chair: Merlyn Quaife
Thurs 23rd February	Lake View Hotel Guest speaker being finalized
Thurs 2 nd March	Star Cinema Eaglehawk A Spirited Journey Seven Women Organisation

Seven women organisation

Join the International Committee for an inspiring night to learn about the work of the Seven Women organisation in Nepal. The 35-minute award-winning film, **A Spirited Journey (G)**, will be shown at the Star Cinema in Eaglehawk on **Thursday 2 March**, followed by a Q & A with the founder of Seven Women, Stephanie Woollard OAM. Profits for the evening will be used to provide primary & secondary school scholarships for girls in Nepal; each scholarship costs \$250. The film highlights Seven Women's transformational work through the empowerment of sustainable tourism and community development. There will be an opportunity to join Stephanie's tours to Nepal this October or next May, which have limited places available. Please let your friends know.

The cinema opens at 6:30pm for the film to commence at 7:00pm.

All bookings are through the Star Cinema located in the former Eaglehawk Town Hall, 2 Peg Leg Road, Eaglehawk. For the trailer and bookings go to:

<https://www.starcinema.org.au/movie/bendigo-sth-rotary-fundraiser-a-spirited-journey>

or telephone (03) 5446 2025 (Mon-Fri 11am-3pm)



Good morning all,

You may or may not be aware that Matthew Leeder, President RC Kangaroo Flat, has been in hospital for some time with a rather challenging medical condition.

Matthew is receiving good medical support and will soon begin his recuperation, post hospitalisation.

A difficulty exists insomuch as Matthew's residence is two storey and he will be unable to access the facilities needed to aid his recovery.

I'm reaching out to see if, through our Rotary network, we are able to source a single level room for rent for about three weeks.

Please explore your club contacts to see if anyone is able to assist and let me know in order that we might follow this up.

Thanks, in anticipation, for your support.

Kind regards,

Ron Payne, District governor Elect D9800
ron.payne@rotary9800.org

Constructed wetlands guided inspection

Interested members and friends are invited to save the date of Saturday 18 February at 8.30am if you wish to participate in a guided tour of recent works to construct wetlands in a degraded Gully in East Bendigo. The gully is adjacent to the O'Keefe Rail Trail west of Murphy Street, located between the Bendigo Railway Workshops (Southern Shorthaul Railway) and Empire Rubber.

The gully was badly degraded by past mining, weed infestation and neglect, and then burnt in a wildfire several years ago. Subsequently City of Greater Bendigo natural reserves manager Mark Tuohey has implemented substantial earthworks to create wetlands and facilitate revegetation with native species.

The inspection tour, to be led by Mark, has been organised by the Ironbark Gully Friends



Landcare Group, and the Riley Street Friends, who are rehabilitating on old clay extraction site nearby in Riley Street. A walk through their revegetation works will also be included. The two groups are developing a collaborative relationship.

The meeting place for the walk is at the clay pit revegetation area in Riley Street, East Bendigo, which is off Strickland Road near the Murphy Street roundabout. Give me a call if you have any queries.

Bernie Young
Environment Coordinator
0467 619 258

Nat's progress

I visited Nat yesterday and was amazed to see her walking a few steps without her walking frame. Look how tall she is!

She is now undergoing physio therapy. The aim is to strengthen those wasted muscles to the point she can walk without an aid. I suspect she will be using a walking stick or perhaps crutches for some time but she is determined to walk unassisted.

This is one gutsy lady!



NIGHT BOWLS

FRIDAY 24TH FEBRUARY

6:30PM START - BBQ INCLUDED

**SOUTH BENDIGO BOWLS CLUB
PALMERSTON STREET, QUARRY HILL**

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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

WHO'S WHO?

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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: Kaye Lehmann – kaye.l.lehmann@gmail.com 0418 355 253

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

