Rotary Club of Bendigo South SIGNPOST

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

IMAGINE ROTARY



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President's Report

Andrew Coldwell, our guest speaker, spoke to us passionately about the **Imagination Library Bendigo** which provides children from 0-4 with a book each month via Post. The program was started by Dolly Parton who was determined to stamp out illiteracy in her home state. Here in Bendigo the program was adopted in 2016 and since its inception 17,261 books have been delivered and 728 children supported. Recipients are nominated by various agencies: nurses, welfare groups, friends, etc. The children need to be from families where literacy is not strong, eg. refugee families and others who have slipped through the cracks in their schooling.

This program is on my Presidential list of organisations to support and recently we had a generous donation from Rod and Gill Spitty following the sale of Gill's sister's car. As Gill's sister was a great reader, Rod decided the Imagination Library was a suitable recipient, so we will add that to Club support to make a donation to the cause.

We didn't have the anticipated Member Induction as Kerri was still in Adelaide. We will induct Kerri on March 23 and on the same night she will do her New Member talk (as planned).

Make sure you don't miss out on the Dumpling making afternoon. It is filling fast.

See you at the Film Night this Thursday, supporting the Maubisse Foundation.

Merlyn Quaife AM





MARCH PROGRAM

Thurs 16th March NO MEETING in Lieu of Maubisse film night

Fisherman's Friends:one and all

Star Cinema 6.30pm

Book through Star Cinema

Thurs 23rd March Lake View Hotel

New member talk & social night

Chair: Jan Pagliaro

Followed by board meeting

Make Tibetan Dumplings with Lhamo & Dorje and enjoy the social outing – Sunday 26 March

Lhamo & Dorje will teach you how to make Tibetan Dumplings in a group of 20.

Where: Camp Getaway, Axedale When: 2:15pm, Sunday 26 March

Cost: \$30 per person All materials are supplied.

Funds received, after costs, will go towards international aid projects.

Book: Contact Jan Pagliaro on 0434 376 066 or jan_pagliaro@hotmail.com

Pay: Transfer \$30 to the club account - BSB 633-000; Account 1034 97236

Please provide your name and 'dumplings'.









Guest speaker Andrew Coldwell, presenting to the club on the Imagination Library Bendigo







Rochester trees revisited 2023





Club members may recall a planting weekend/ BBQ by the river at Rochester in 2021, along the Campaspe River Walk (see sign above). Over that weekend club members planted out several hundred of our home-grown seedlings.

Please see attached images from the area taken last weekend, despite the recent floods and all the unseasonal weather in the past 12 months, you can see that our plantings are going really well and starting to make a difference in this area of the walk.

There seems to still be space for more plantings and some tidying up of the seedlings amongst all the weed growth. Perhaps the focus of a future combined rotary clubs working bee? Paul Gibbons/ Tony Plant.













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



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?

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

CLUB PRESIDENT Merlyn Quaife AM

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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