



In March 2016 Rotary District 9800 aims to provide a world class conference in Bendigo, the heart of our Rotary District. In beautiful Bendigo the conference will focus on inspiring speakers. The weekend will be fun, relevant and provide insights into programs and projects that through partnerships develop resilient, harmonious communities. Rotarians will be informed, entertained and dined whilst networking and sharing ideas to improve communities at home and abroad.

## WHAT IS THE 2016 CONFERENCE ALL ABOUT?

### INNOVATIVE LEADERSHIP

With growing community concern in regard to the ethics of organisations operating within their communities and internationally; the Conference will explore both the relevance the 4-way Test and the need to influence ethics as a cornerstone of leadership, personal and professional development in vocational, educational, community, youth and business settings.

### JOINED UP PARTNERSHIP

Rotarians rarely work alone and developing partnerships with community groups is desirable when seeking to achieve outstanding results. This is obvious in the successful projects around the world that have improved the lives of a countless number of people. The End Polio Campaign is a wonderful example of "joined up Rotary partnerships".

### OUR YOUTH OUR FUTURE

Australia's future is its youth – but their future depends on the opportunities to develop with what, we as a community provide. Rotary works extensively with young people; from all spectrums of life to help develop their full potential. The conference will explore the many facets of this aspect of Rotary with the aim being a simple one – a better future for all.

### GOLDEN ROTARY MOMENTS

Rotarians have achieved many remarkable feats – the near eradication of Polio throughout the world, bringing fresh water and sanitation to millions previously lacking access to such amenities as well as countless projects within local communities. The 2016 Rotary International District 9800 Conference will showcase the achievements Rotary has made in the past year with our partners to make the world a better place

# You'll Never Never Know if you never Bendigo....



Conference song: <https://youtu.be/MHw7EpjnSRg>

Conference Video: [https://youtu.be/\\_eNnF3dGboY](https://youtu.be/_eNnF3dGboY)



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## NEED HELP REGISTERING?

**Speak with your Club Conference person or**

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## CONFERENCE MASTER OF CEREMONY



**Tracey Curro** leads the Communication and Digital Practice at SHK, an executive search & selection firm with a national footprint.

Prior to joining SHK, Tracey enjoyed a distinguished career as a journalist on flagship news and public affairs programs, including four years as a reporter for "60 Minutes", and then as a communication executive with responsibility for strategic communication, brand and reputation.

## CONFERENCE SPEAKERS

See website for complete biographies and YouTube links



**Phil Ruthven AM** is the founder and Chairman of IBISWorld, an international corporation providing online business information, forecasting and strategic services. Phil addresses over 70 Conferences each year.



**Saroo Brierley** was born in India and lost contact with his family at the age of 5. He was adopted by an Australian family and 25 years later went back to India and tracked down his mother using an image etched into his brain. His story is a remarkable tale.



**Kathleen McGuire** is a highly entertaining speaker presenting a range of topics including her personal story; the power of music; and social justice issues. Kathleen has a passion for education and throughout her career has taught music in schools and universities.



**Margot Spalding's** success story is inextricably linked with the JIMMY POSSUM success story. Margot, a member of the Rotary Club of Bendigo is renowned for "down to earth, inspirational, no nonsense, no frills, very practical, and fun" presentations.



**Geoff Hucker** visited Ethiopia in the early 2000's and fell in love with the country and began supporting orphans. In 2005 he began Beyond the Orphanage. The model he established supported over 1000 children. Every day he is reminded to keep on dreaming.



**Jeremy Scott** will take you on an emotional rollercoaster from open heart surgery to solo round the world cyclist. His fierce determination to chase his dream will leave you inspired while his story will certainly entertain.

## BREAKOUT SESSIONS

On Sunday morning there will be 6 concurrent sessions for you to choose from covering a wide range of themes of interest to experienced and new Rotarians. These sessions will be repeated so that you can enjoy several topics

## ROTARY MARKETPLACE

The venue allows us to present an exciting and varied Rotary Marketplace with an expanded range of participants.

## CONFERENCE VENUE

The magnificent Ulumbarra Theatre in Bendigo will seat 1000 people and offer state of the art facilities for our Speakers and the opportunity for exciting presentations in each sessions



## ATTRACTIONS

Bendigo offers a wide range of activities and attractions for your partner and family to enjoy over the long weekend.

## CONFERENCE PROGRAM

The Conference activities will commence on Friday night with a Welcome Cocktail Party combining the best of Bendigo

Saturday night will offer either the traditional Gala Dinner or (depending on numbers) a surprise, non traditional alternative

### FRIDAY MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>

7:30pm Welcome Cocktail Party \$55

### SATURDAY MARCH 12<sup>TH</sup>

10 am Conference start

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Gala Dinner or A Taste of Bendigo (included in registration)

### SUNDAY MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>

Foundation Breakfast \$30

### 5:30 PM Conference finish

### MONDAY MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup> LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

## REGISTRATION

Prior to Nov 30th **\$275** First time attendee **\$225**

## ACCOMMODATION

Bendigo has a wide range of accommodation options to suit all participants. **As it is a long weekend it is advisable to book early.**  
**[www.bendigotourism.com](http://www.bendigotourism.com)** or  
**[www.rotaryconference.org.au](http://www.rotaryconference.org.au)** (see back page)

