



Rotary Club of Eaglehawk

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Meet Wednesdays 6.00pm for 6.30pm start at California Gully Mechanic's Institute Eaglehawk.

December 25th January 1st January 8th

January 15th January 22nd

Chair
Invocation
Duties
Fellowship
Bar
Program

No **Meetings**





DECEMBER

Birthdays

5th Roy Parker 12th Mandy Costello

14th Gary Frank

23rd Dean Pearce

Inductions

8th Howard Osborne (1981) 11th Joe Cogo (1968) 13th Brian Gould (2017)

18th Doug Poole (2002)

21st Dean Pearce (2016)

Dates for Your Diaries	
December 20 th	Drawing of the Massive Christmas Stocking Raffle –Eaglehawk Supa IGA at 3pm
January 26 th 2020	Australia Day Breakfast Celebrations – Canterbury Park



Requests to all Members

- Apologies to John via text or email only prior to 10am on the Wednesday of the meeting
 - Reading the bulletin is strongly recommended

President John's Report

In our last 'formal' meeting for the year we enjoyed a Christmas celebration at our Mechanics meeting room. A special thank you to Gary and Lola Frank, Ann Scott and Alison Bacon for helping with the set up.

Alison prepared a wonderful video presentation of our activities and achievements during the past six months and these, on review, are quite breathtaking.

It was great to welcome PP Colin Hutchieson, Rita's extended family with guests from Malaysia and Sarah Wainwright to the meeting.

Goldfields Catering excelled with the meal and the 'vibe' in the room confirmed that it was a wonderful Christmas celebration. Thank you to Mick for maintaining bar services during the evening.

(I'm not sure that those present noticed that there was one Status Quo song – a preface of something to look forward to you - thank you Gary.)



A highlight of the evening was a presentation by Thee prior to her impending departure back to Thailand. Thee's language skills and confidence have improved enormously during her stay and we are indebted to Mick and Mandy Costello and Howard, Viv and Lara Osborne for supporting Thee during her three months stay. Thee truly appreciated her presentation from Mick of the miniature Rusty and we appreciated Thee's gift from Pattaya which will take pride of place in our display cabinet.

We are now in the final days of our Monster Christmas Raffle, to be drawn at Eaglehawk IGA at 3:00 pm on Saturday. A huge thank you to Leon and Barbara McGlashan for pulling it all together and thank you to Rotarians who have returned their tickets – I believe we are at 100%. Thank you also to all who have helped out with the roster.

A personal highlight during the week was to learn that our Cobar Drought Relief project continues, albeit with a low profile. PP Leon Scott has advised that, via RAWCS and our RABS account, we have received additional funds and can now transfer approximately \$20,000 to the Rotary Club of Cobar for their amazing and ongoing work in supporting their

local and extended community – the drought continues!. In conversation with Leon we will explore an opportunity to revisit personally with our friends in Cobar to reinforce our ongoing support – to be revisited in early 2020.

And so we draw to a close for the first half of this Rotary year. We will resume on Jan 15 with an informal get together and get ready for our Australia Day celebration on Jan 26. Marj and I wish you all a very happy Christmas and best wishes for a prosperous and healthy 2020.

John P Jones, President 2019/2010





Presentation by Thee –

My name is Teerapat Seesanta. My nickname is Thee. I am from Thailand. Currently I'm the eldest at the Child Protection and Development Center, Pattaya, Thailand, where over 80 children live.

Recently, I graduated from Maejo University, Chiang Mai, Thailand. I have a bachelor degree in Agricultural Development Extension and Communications.





I have been in Australia for 3 months with support from the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk. I came here to improve my English skills, but I got more than just a better level of English. That is, I have experienced living differently from how I live in Thailand. Different people, different time, different culture, different food, and different concepts. I have done many things I have never done.

The first 2 months I lived at Mick and Mandy Costello's house. We went camping at Balranald, and visited the Elmore Field Days, the Bendigo Show, the Ballarat Wildlife Park, and the Murray River in Echuca. I got the opportunity to see beautiful wheat fields in the countryside, kangaroos and possums in their natural habitat, sheeps and cows on farms, tomatoes hydroponics farm.

I also studied at TAFE to improve my English, worked at Bunja Thai Restaurant with Ploy, attended Rotary meetings and visited the Melbourne Aquarium with Vivienne Osborne.

The last three weeks I have lived at View street in Bendigo with Lara Osborne. I was interested in traveling, so Sarah showed me about her work at the eCruise & Travel's office.





Howard, Vivienne and Michael took me to Mount Macedon to see the Nature and beautiful view on the mountion. I also visited the Pepper Green farm, the Beach at Torquay and Geelong, the Convent Gallery in Daylesford and the Golden Dragon Museum.

I have met many people and practiced speaking English with them, giving me confidence and the courage to speak. Across these varied experiences, I have had the opportunity to observe agriculture practices on various farms, and to see the innovation that can be applied to agriculture in Thailand.

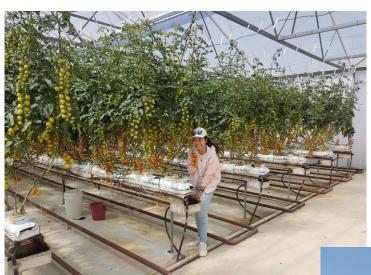
Thank you to Mick, Mandy, Howard and Vivienne for taking care of me. Thank you Lara for organising me to be here and thank you to the Rotary Club for supporting me to come.

Thank you to everyone who welcomed me and has been kind to me throughout the past 3 months. It has been a very good time for me. I'm very happy to have been here. Thank you for giving me the opportunity to see the wider world.



I will apply the experience and knowledge gained from here to my work and living back in Thailand. I will share my experiences with the other 80 children, and let them know there are many caring adults who see us as important and are always ready to provide good opportunities for us.

.....Thank you...











9800 Conference 2020 – Here in Bendigo March 27th – 29th. Our outstanding guest speakers lineup will entertain, enthral and enlighten you. Don't miss out on this once in a lifetime opportunity to listen to such an amazing pool of talent, all gathered here in Bendigo participating in our very own district conference. This is the link you need to go to and register – don't miss out – this is your chance to attend the greatest D9800 conference ever!

Did you hear about the December ticket price – just \$325 to register for the conference – includes the welcome event and the conference dinner – that's amazing value. But, register prior to the end of the year, full ticket price of \$350 kicks in on January 1st 2020.

https://www.trybooking.com/BDPRN



Professor Mary Galea, AM, BAppSc (Physio), BA, PhD, is a physiotherapist and neuroscientist whose research program includes both laboratory-based and clinical projects with the overall theme of control of voluntary movement by the brain, and factors that promote recovery following nervous system damage. Professor Galea is Professorial Fellow in the Department of Medicine (Royal Melbourne Hospital) at the University of Melbourne, and previously Foundation Professor of Clinical Physiotherapy at the University of Melbourne and Austin Health. Her current research program is concerned with the use of technology to drive recovery after stroke and spinal cord injury, and wearable sensors to measure rehabilitation outcomes.

Rotary District 9800

2020 Conference at a Glance

FRIDAY 27 MARCH 2020

Welcome and registration - 5.30pm-7.00pm

Bendigo Town Hall, 189-193 Hargreaves St, Bendigo

Smoking Ceremony by Dja Dja Wurrung

Light refreshments

Club and Cluster dinners - 7.30pm

Various locations arranged by clubs

SATURDAY 28 MARCH 2020

Rotary Foundation Breakfast - 7.00am-8.30am

Shamrock Hotel, Pall Mall, Bendigo

Registration - 8.00am-9.00am

Ulumbarra Theatre, 10 Gaol Rd, Bendigo

Plenary Session 1 - 9.00am-10.40am

Youth Exchange Flag Parade

Official Welcome

Keynote Speaker – Zoe Daniel

Ride to Conference Bike Riders

Morning Tea and Showcase - 10.20am-11.00am

Gymnasium, Bendigo Secondary College (80m walk)

Roving entertainment

Plenary Session 2 - 11.00am-12.30pm

Keynote Speakers - Gihan Perera, Eric Wright, Michelle Scott Tucker

Lunch and Showcase - 12.30-1.30pm

Roving entertainment

Plenary Session 3 - 1.30-3.00pm

Keynote Speakers - Tim Cope, Andrew Crisp, Tony Walker

Afternoon Tea and Showcase - 3.00pm-3.40pm

Roving entertainment

Plenary Session 4 - 3.40pm-5.00pm

Australian Rotary Health Panel

Keynote Speakers - Mary Galea, Jeremy Forbes

Gala Dinner - 6.30pm-11.00pm

Bendigo Stadium, 91 Inglis St, West Bendigo

Central Victorian Lion Dance Team

Acoustic guitarist and DJ – Knot Music

SUNDAY 29 MARCH 2020

Farewell Youth Exchange Students going on Safari - 8.45am-9.00am

Ulumbarra Theatre, 10 Gaol Rd, Bendigo

Plenary Session 5 - 9.30am-11.00am

Keynote Speakers - Ro Allan, Bev Watson, Murray Verso

Morning Tea and Showcase - 11.00am-11.40am

Roving entertainment

Plenary Session 6 - 11.40am-12.40pm

Banner exchange and Conference 2021

DG Grant Hocking

Melbourne Gay and Lesbian Chorus

BBQ Lunch - 1.00pm-2.00pm

Location to be confirmed

Hands on Project - FORaMEAL - 2.00pm-4.00pm

Gymnasium, Bendigo Secondary College

Subject to change - please check updates - Enjoy your conference!

