



# Rotary



## Club of Eaglehawk

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**We meet every Wednesday at the Mechanics Facility, 8 School Street, California Gully for a dinner meeting.**

**Weekly meeting  
@ 6 pm for 6:30pm**

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February: NO MEETING DUE TO LOCAL COMMUNITY COMMITMENTS!**

*Happy Birthday to you in February!*

*19<sup>th</sup> Trevor Lock*



### Reminders:

1. **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Rotary's Anniversary!**
2. **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**- ESC Swimming Carnival at Faith Leech Aquatic Centre:  
*Catering BBQ - 11am – 1 pm*
3. **Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February** – invitation to join the Htamane/YarGu Festival Cooking Day – see details below.
4. **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February**- invitation to join the Htamane/YarGu Festival Celebration Day – see details below.
5. **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February** – O Week @ La Trobe Uni- *Catering: 12- 2 pm* **HELP NEEDED!!**
6. **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February**- Burra BBQ at Eaglehawk Secondary College – *cooking BBQ*
7. **Friday 15<sup>th</sup>, Saturday 16<sup>th</sup>, Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** – Dahlia and Arts activities.  
*Eaglehawk Rotary Float on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March.*
8. **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March** – Imagination Library Breakfast

9. **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March** (Good Friday)- Easter Book Stall – *Eaglehawk Rotary stall* – all day
10. **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> March** – Bunnings BBQ- *members assisting as per roster.*
11. **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April**- Cluster Dinner at Bunja Thai – Eaglehawk Rotarians invited.
12. **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April** – District 9800 Conference –in Bendigo!

The **Rotary International Convention 2024**: Singapore, 25—29 May 2024; mark the date in your diaries; registration is open at <https://convention.rotary.org/en-us/registration>

### President's report:

At the time of writing, our President Eric is actively involved in the fire-fighting efforts near Beaufort, Elmhurst, Amphitheatre and Avoca. Our appreciation goes again to all those involved and hope that everyone can stay safe.

**Guest Speaker from last week: John Stewart**  
**Thanks again John for your informative presentation!**



**Guest Speaker this week: Anatta – 2024 RYLA**  
Candidate. Thanks for your informative updates.  
Full report next week.



### **Rotary Youth Exchange Programme:**

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program is up and running again after Covid! What an amazing Rotary Program.

On February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024, over 50 outbounds from all over Australia met in Doha, all wearing their green Rotary Youth Exchange blazers, on their way to many countries for a 12-month exchange.

Garry Gunnell and Joy Bruce (from RC Bendigo) were privileged to escort some of our outbound students to Doha and to assist them onto planes onto their respective countries.

See photo supplied by Joy-



Joy (who is also a member of the District Youth Exchange Committee) has provided a very comprehensive summary of Rotary Long-Term School and Cultural Youth Exchange Program (an exchange where Rotary clubs both host and sponsor exchange students) and for the information of all members:

**Outbounds.** Applications are now open for January 2025 Departure. We would really like some applicants from the Bendigo area. Each student needs a sponsor Club, which is of no cost to the club.

**Rotary Long Term Cultural and School Exchange is for young people to study and live with host families for 12 months in another country.** They are fully supported by the Rotary International Network.

It's a life changing experience which you can gift to a young person and their family. Students need to have a year of school left on return and not be older than 17 and 6 months on departure. They will attend school and learn a new language.

More information <https://rotaryyouthexchangedistrict9800.com.au/applications-2/>

<https://rotaryyouthexchangedistrict9800.com.au/letters-from-abroad-2019/>

The official closing date will be Friday 12th April. Interviews will be on April 20<sup>th</sup>. A selection Camp in Axedale will be on 15,16<sup>th</sup> June 2024 and then once accepted 6 months of training is included.

**Inbounds**- they arrive in July for 12 months.

This year we have hosted Freja from Denmark and RC Bendigo South and Eaglehawk have jointly hosted Nacho from Spain.

It is an experience that adds another layer to your club and is an opportunity to have younger people around, maybe invite host families into your club and to build cultural knowledge about both Countries.

Applications for Inbounds are now coming in. Is your club talking about hosting? A good way to begin, is to joint host with another Club. Eaglehawk and Bendigo South have shared the host club role this year.

Each club needs to appoint a Counsellor to support the student and find 3 to 4 host families across the 12-month period (they don't have to be Rotarians), and to find a school for them to attend. Host Clubs support with some expenses.

*Garry and I are happy to chat more with you about this programme.*

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Many thanks- Joy Bruce

### **A message from GP with an invitation for everyone: Everyone is invited to our traditional Htamane/YarGu Festival - 2024**

Htamane is a traditional savoury dish prepared on the full moon day of Tabodwe (The eleventh month of the traditional Burmese calendar) in February. It is also an indication of the end of winter. Back home, a large quantity of Htamane is usually prepared in an open space at monasteries.

**Cooking day Saturday** 24 Feb: 8am at 35 Moon St, Sailors Gully 3556

**Celebration day** Sunday 25 Feb: 9am to 2pm at 5 Murdoch St, California Gully 3556

Many thanks, - GP





## [FYI.....Rotary Grant Scholarship details:](#)

# Rotary Global Grant Scholarship



## ROTARY POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP VALUE: UP TO USD60,000

Rotary District 9800 has designed a targeted Post-Graduate Scholarship to focus on overseas study for a Masters degree or PhD, to a value of up to USD60,000 (or two scholarships at USD30,000 each).

The Scholarship is designed to enhance the profiles of our best graduates in recent years and acknowledges the underlying strength of Victorian University graduates. The field of study must fit one of the Rotary Foundation's 7 Areas of Focus.

Applications are invited from persons normally resident in Victoria and must be made through a Victorian Rotary club. Lineal descendents of current/recent Rotarians are ineligible.

Global Grants are awarded through a globally competitive process.

**Applications close 31 March 2024**

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<https://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/foundation/scholarships>

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District 9800



- ◆ Think globally
- ◆ Make a difference
- ◆ Become a leader

ROTARY  
INTERNATIONAL  
DISTRICT 9800  
INVITES  
VICTORIAN  
APPLICANTS  
TO APPLY

Rotary offers prestigious international scholarships of up to USD60,000 for graduate students pursuing careers in fields that support the Foundation's Seven Areas of Focus:



PEACE AND CONFLICT  
PREVENTION/RESOLUTION



DISEASE PREVENTION  
AND TREATMENT



WATER AND SANITATION



MATERNAL AND CHILD  
HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION AND  
LITERACY



ECONOMIC AND  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

## [District 9800 Conference:](#)

Here is a link to the D9800 web site promotion of the Conference – it provides all updated information, outlines guest speakers and the Conference Programme and provides accommodation and showcase links!

<https://rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/district-conference-bendigo-2024>

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# Bendigo Conference 2024

## 12-14th April

Rotarian, Partners & Friends:	<b>\$390</b>
First-time attendee:	<b>\$300</b>
Rotaractor & Youth Exchange:	<b>\$200</b>
Foundation Breakfast:	<b>\$40</b>

**Book now at:** [www.trybooking.com/CMCUD](http://www.trybooking.com/CMCUD)

**'GATHERING ON THE GOLDFIELDS'**



## February 2024

Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month

23 February — Rotary's anniversary

