



Rotary



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

Weekly meeting	Wednesday 24th January: <u>NO MEETING</u> RE AUSTRALIA DAY FRIDAY 26 th JAN. Wednesday 31st January: Special Club meeting re Constitution.
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Happy Birthday to you in January!

12th Rita O'Brien
25th Lindsay Walkington



Reminders:

1. NO MEETING Wednesday 24th January 2024
2. **Eaglehawk- Australia Day Ceremony- Friday 26th January 2024 (7:30am to start cooking!)**
3. **Sat 3rd and Sun 4th February** – CFA catering activity.
4. **Saturday 10th February** - Netball BBQ
5. **Friday 15th, Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th March** – Dahlia and Arts activities.
6. **Friday 22nd March** – Imagination Library Breakfast
7. **Friday 29th March** – Good Friday
8. **Saturday 30th March** – Bunnings BBQ

Attached: Thank You letter from Courtney Campbell (attends BSSC) for her support of her NYSF 2024

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:

Welcome back to 2024! It was a good catch up on Wednesday night at the Clubrooms and gave us all a chance to kick off 2024 with Eaglehawk Rotary.

Again, I offer my thanks to everyone who continued to work behind the scenes over the 'Christmas Break'.

In particular, our fellow Rotarians at Bendigo South RC and Alison for their work with the Trailer Raffle. It is not only a major fundraiser for both Clubs, but also offers the chance for a number of community groups to raise some much-needed funds as well. Congratulations to Janene Myers (an Eaglehawk local) as the first prize winner. Check out the other photos on our Face Book page.

The fellowship evening at the Golden Square Hotel on Wednesday 10 Jan was a good chance for a catch up and to enjoy some great food. Thanks to the Hotel management for letting us have the function room too. Will be good to include more fellowship activities in 2024.

Thanks to the willing crew who helped at the Bunnings BBQ last Sunday. The considerable number of volunteers for the roster made it easier for everyone. It seems like we have started off with a bang already!

John J has recently emailed an updated planner (through to June 2024), so keep an eye out for activities and let him know of any additions too please.

Australia Day activities on Friday 26th January give us a chance to highlight the work of our Eaglehawk Club and support the celebration of other local volunteers. We will be cooking bacon and egg Brekky BBQ. There is a great programme planned (and well renowned MC too) – so come along and join the fun.

*Next meeting (Wed 31st Jan), we will be looking at our Clubs Constitution.

Regards and keep safe
Eric.



Youth Updates:

Hello Rotary friends,

I have received good news about two of our 22/23 NYSF students.

Tait Poyser has a place at Monash University to study Biomedicine and Saad Sabri has a place at University of NSW to study Quantum Engineering.

Congratulations to them both!

In the meantime, our 11 Bendigo NYSF students have recently attended ANU and the University of Queensland on campus doing NYSF with 500 other students from around Australia.

We are looking forward to hearing from them on their return.

Regards- Lynne C

FYI - Here's a thank you letter received from Anatta re her 2023 RYLA sponsorship:

Dear Eaglehawk Rotary Club,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for your support and generosity in sponsoring my participation in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program in 2023. Your belief in me and your willingness to invest in my endeavours have made a profound impact on my journey, and I am truly thankful for your support.

I would like to thank you for reaching out to me and providing me with the opportunity to engage with many inspirational young people from the camp and gain a wonderful network of friends who share similar passion for empowering young people. Your financial assistance has been instrumental in helping me on my leadership journey and has made me feel more familiar with this new environment and society. Your generosity has not only provided me with the resources needed to pursue my aspirations but has also served as a source of motivation and encouragement.

I understand the investment you have made in supporting me, and I want to assure you that your impact extends far beyond tangible assistance. Your belief in my abilities has instilled confidence in me and acts as a driving force in my pursuit of my goals.

Additionally, I personally thank the Eaglehawk Rotarians who attended the sponsor club gathering night and watched our performance. I would love to keep you updated on my progress and achievements. If there are specific ways in which I can acknowledge your support or if you have any preferences regarding communication, please let me know. Your involvement in my journey is highly valued, and I am excited about the positive future that your support has helped me create.

Once again, thank you from the bottom of my heart for your generosity in giving this overseas student the opportunity to make more friends and engage with the community. I am truly grateful for the positive impact you have had on my journey.

Sincerely,

Anatta

An email message from Sandi Fulcher (+ District Public Image Chair 2023-24)

We would very much appreciate your help with promoting the Conference Showcase - the opportunity for clubs to promote their project/s to Rotarians and the Bendigo community at our Conference in April.

Please see the attached flyer. *Spaces are limited to 35 stands, so we are keen to ensure that everyone is aware of the opportunity as soon as possible.*

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sandi Fulcher

Rotarians at work:

Trevor and his son Craig pulled down the Nativity and packed it all safely away. Another great job Trevor!

Here's a photo of Marie (right) the Manager of SVDP & Jennie, her assistant.



This lovely thank-you note was received by SVDP- makes it all worthwhile!

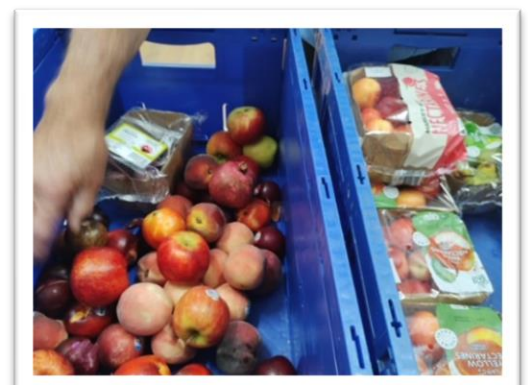


Sausage Sizzle @ Bunnings to start off 2024.....

Goeff, John and Leo (he wished he had won!), delivering the Trailer raffle prize to Janene.



Food Share distribution over Christmas.



Also, a reminder for our **District 9800 Conference in Bendigo – 12th – 14th April 2024.**

Registration: www.trybooking.com/CMCUD

See more details in the advert below.



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District 9800

Bendigo Conference

12-14th April 2024

Earlybird Bookings Now Open
(Earlybird prices end 16/12/2023)

Rotarian, Partners & Friends:	\$340
First-time attendee:	\$250
Rotaractor & Youth Exchange:	\$150
Foundation Breakfast:	\$40

Book now at: www.trybooking.com/CMCUD

GATHERING ON THE GOLDFIELDS



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VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

"Rotary's greatest strength will always be the individual Rotarian. No other organization has such powerful human resources."
— Paul H. Patterson, Club 11, Kansas 1937-38

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TAKE ACTION: Engage Rotary. Change lives.

Thanks to Allison, our club has now officially entered the 'insta world'. Another way for us to share our club on social media. See link below:

<https://www.instagram.com/eaglehawkrotary/>