



## Rotary Opens Opportunities

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# Rotary Club of Eaglehawk



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Most weeks we meet at the Mechanics Facility, 8 School Street, California Gully for a dinner meeting. However, as this sometimes changes please see below for details on the program for each Club meeting.

## June Birthdays

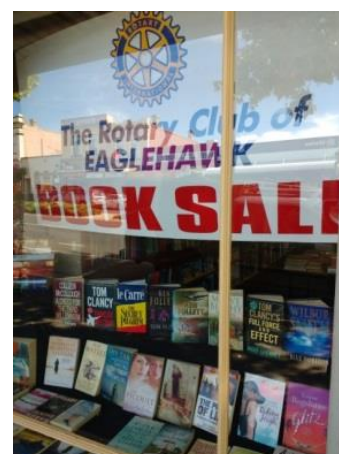
8<sup>th</sup> Brian Fitzpatrick  
10<sup>th</sup> Ron Payne

Dates and Events for Your Diaries -		Club Members Duty Roster -
June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Club Dinner Meeting -	Bar – Trevor Cleanup – Lindsay/Charlie
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	Club Changeover Dinner – Eaglehawk Bowling Club	
July 10 <sup>th</sup>	D9800 Changeover	See info later in bulletin
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Club Dinner Meeting -	
July 17 <sup>th</sup>	RC Rochester Pie and Port Night	See info later in bulletin
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Club Dinner Meeting -	
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	Club Dinner Meeting -	
September 5 <sup>th</sup>	Chrysler Car Club Catering	** Volunteers Needed **
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	District Governor, Dale Hoy's Club Visit	

## Rotary Book Shop



Don't forget to see when you have been rostered for the book shop – it's a two hour shift on a Saturday – if it's not convenient then see who you can swap with.





### ***Mick's Quote of the Week –***

“For in the true nature of things, if we rightly consider, every green tree is far more glorious than if it were made of gold and silver.”

— *Martin Luther*

Greetings for the last time as the President of Rotary Club of Eaglehawk, it was so great to see a full house for our meeting. Guests being Mandy Costello, Marg Gallagher, Jenny Sanderson and Tim Watts, both Jenny and Tim have lodged the paperwork to join our Club.

Can I start by thanking all our members for putting up with me for the last 12 months, it has had its challenges with the resignation of a number of long term members and the restrictions we have had to work through, but I feel we have a relaxed and more friendly feel about the club.

Thanks goes to the new member who have join us this year, Mary Preston and Lynne Cooper from the Strathdale Club and Lindsay Walkington, Eric Smith, Jenny Sanderson and Tim Watts. I have enjoyed your input and Jenny and Tim, I know you are both going to be very valuable members of our club.

John Jones - John you took on the Secretary role at short notice whilst you where President, lead us through the worst of the COVID restrictions and tried to keep me under control. I sincerely thank you and I know our members are extremely grateful for your outstanding efforts.

This Year's Board - thank you to the board for your support during the year; we have had our challenges but have stuck together and worked well together. We have not always totally agreed on everything but once we had voted we all got behind and supported that stance.

Geoff Gallagher- Geoff has been an incredible support to me during the year; we are great mates and will try anything. Our effort at the Christmas Breakup stands out - running a gambling book on the Dunny Roll Cup. I think you will find some footage of this on the club's web page and facebook soon.

Finally Mandy Costello - Mandy has been an incredible support this year; coming along to most meetings, helping out at fundraising and generally putting up with me.

Someone asked me about a month ago how I have enjoyed being President of the Rotary Club of Eaglehawk. I hadn't thought of it until then, but I would have to say I have enjoyed my year, we have certainly had our challenges and at times I have questioned how I was running our meetings, but that was me, I was not going to change who I was to try a cater for others.

Enough of my ramblings - our Guest speaker this week was Ken Wellard, from Neanger Nursery. Ken took us through what he called 10 Tree in 10 Minutes, looking at trees around Eaglehawk both appropriate and inappropriate trees.

Ken is always a great speaker with his knowledge and passion for plants showing through.

Side note: Ken and I are regulars on a Friday Mornings about 8.00am at the Bendigo Blood Bank, we generally talking about everything Eaglehawk. Last Friday I had no one as our guest speaker and after a lot of arm twisting Ken agreed to do it.

If anyone else is interested in joining Ken and I at the Blood Bank and discussing Eaglehawk you would be more than welcome.

Big thanks goes out to Alison Bacon for preparing the Prep Packs. All prep students in the six local primary Schools that we support have been gifted a small pack full of great educational tools for them to take home. Thank you to Lynne Cooper for taking on the task of distributing them to the schools. These are going home with the student this week and I am sure they will be used over the School Holidays.

Next week I will hand over to Vice President and President Elect Gary Frank to run the meeting as it is the school holidays and Mandy and I are going on a short break before returning for the Changeover Dinner.

Thanks Again

Mick Costello

President (for 1 more Week)  
Rotary Club of Eaglehawk



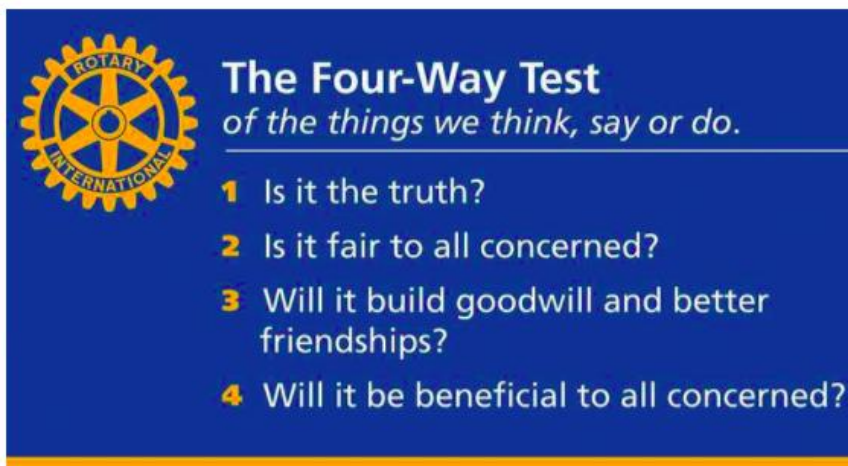
## Celebrating 100 Years of Rotary

### ‘Our Acts of Kindness’ ~ 2020-2021

1. Our club contributed \$5000 to the Rotary Foundation’s Annual Program Fund to support educational, humanitarian, and cultural programs and projects throughout the world.
2. PP Alison Bacon undertook the making of cloth masks to support our member’s endeavours of complying with Covid-19 restrictions while making a few dollars for the club at the same time.
3. President-elect Gary Frank has been regularly phoning members during the current pandemic just to check that they are going OK.
4. Realising that fundraising will be difficult during lockdown, PP John Jones has organised another Grange raffle in an endeavour to boost the club’s finances.
5. PP Ron Payne undertook the ‘End Polio Walk’ with family and club members sponsoring \$1128 towards the cause.
6. Lola Frank paid for the coffee of the people in the car following her through the McDonald’s drive-through.
7. Trevor Lock spent many hours touching up the paint work of the figurines in the Nativity scene which has been put on display at Christmas in Eaglehawk for many decades.
8. President Mick Costello is helping his invalid mate Geoff recover from surgery by taking him for a walk around the lake each morning.
9. PP Alison Bacon donated 60 insulated grocery bags to the Eaglehawk Community House for them to use for their community meal distributions.
10. Deb Payne put together a grocery hamper and donated it to Bendigo Foodshare.
11. Rotarian Trevor Lock brought along his ukulele to provide wonderful entertainment for our club’s Christmas function this year.
12. PP John Jones drove to Melbourne to deliver the prize in our recent Grange Raffle. This completed an outstanding fundraising project on his behalf for the club.
13. PP Ron Payne prepared, submitted and was successful in a \$22,000 Australia Day grant for the combined Rotary Clubs of our Super Cluster.
14. PP Doug Harrison and PE Gary Frank did an outstanding job in cleaning up the surrounds of the Mechanics building in preparation for our 2021 Australia Day celebration.
15. Rotarian Geoff Gallagher took on the role of coordinating our Australia Day ‘Citizen of the Year’ program and, with a team of willing helpers, did an outstanding job.
16. A lovely example of honesty. Rita O’Brien reported of a customer at her Bookshop who had selected quite a few DVDs on sale for \$1.00 each. Rita offered him a box and asked him to keep count. Leaving the shop, he gave her \$41.00. A good sale! Sometime later he returned and gave Rita \$1.00 as, on checking, he had 42!
17. PP Alison Bacon spent some time visiting with an elderly resident last week who needed someone to talk to about her current family situation and the challenges her and her husband were facing as they are getting older. Alison didn’t need to do anything - just listen. A nice message there!

18. A group of our Rotarians; Geoff Gallagher, Lindsay Walkington, John Jones, Geoff Adcock, and partners; Mandy Costello and Deb Payne willingly donated their time and/or food to provide lunch for our cluster presidents and presidents-elect at a meeting in February.
19. PE Gary Frank bought a coffee for one of the locals who spends much of his time on the street. Nice touch Gary!
20. PP Ron Payne kept an eye on his neighbours' home, collecting mail and putting bins away while they were on a short holiday.
21. To support international Women's Day, Deb Payne donated a package of Feminine Hygiene products to the program called 'ShareTheDignity.'
22. You probably had to be there to fully appreciate this one, but our enthusiastic president helped pull his mate Geoff out of the river after he fell in fully clothed, boots and all with his phone in his pocket. Then helped retrieve his boat motor that also fell in the river.
23. President Mick, PE Gary and PP's John, Alison and Ron all spent a few hours doing a thorough clean-up of our storage shed. The "might come in handy one day" gear now resides elsewhere.
24. A young, disabled girl was struggling to pay for her purchases at the register in Kmart. The cashier very kindly tried to assist but it was a challenge for all involved. PP Alison Bacon's offer to pay on her behalf resulted in a positive outcome for a difficult situation.
25. Rotarian Charlie Cunneen's regular and ongoing support of St. Vinnie's certainly is one of the unsung acts that really deserves a mention.
26. A local elderly Vietnam Vet had to take his car to a dealership in Ballarat but he was unable to make the trip. PP Alison took it for him, and ensured that the issue he was experiencing was resolved.
27. Rtn. Geoff Adcock has been involved with the Bendigo Volleyball Association helping Karen boys become involved in the Junior Volleyball.
28. President Mick and PE Gary assisted an Eaglehawk resident by moving furniture and boxes to allow easy access for repainting to be undertaken – a great Mother's Day effort – well done guys.
29. Lynne has finally, after more than a year of searching, managed to source a new toy poodle for a friend who lives alone and has no family. It's wonderful that she will now have the company of this pooch over the winter and for years to come.
30. A personal donation was made by a member to the RI Foundation annual fund to further the good work being done internationally by Rotary. Thanks John Gurr.
31. Alison located and returned a Pianola to the Eaglehawk family that had been the original owners but who had reluctantly sold it at auction some years ago.
32. Rotarian Eric had the opportunity to assist a neighbour last week, who had purchased two large plants from Sunbury. Turned out that the job was a bit bigger than anticipated but in true Eric style, it got done!

#### Four-Way Test

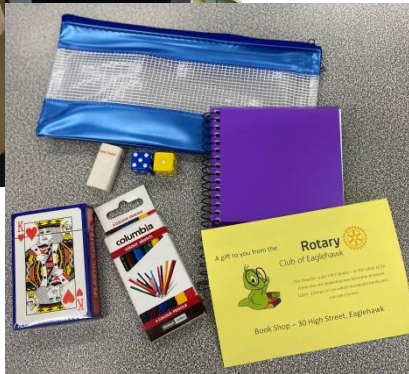




## Prep Packs

Here are a few images of the preparations and distribution of our 2021 Prep Packs

*"Thanks again for Rotary's support with student packs. Our students were excited to receive them."*





The Rotary Club of Bendigo South  
and the Ulumbarra Foundation  
presents a concert fundraiser featuring

# Merlyn Quaife

with the  
Victoria  
Welsh Choir



**Sunday August 15, 2pm**  
**Ulumbarra Theatre Bendigo**

Book now at [gotix.com.au](http://gotix.com.au)  
or phone 5434 6100



# STOP PRESS!!

We know you are all well aware of the ongoing situation in Melbourne with the Covid restrictions on numbers attending functions and would appreciate that this has made planning for the District Changeover a little challenging.

We want this function to be a celebration of the very different year we have just had and a chance to look forward to the next Rotary year with as many people as possible in attendance.

Hence the District Changeover has been moved to Saturday 10 July. Same details, same venue, same time.

Thank you to everyone who has already booked. If you are unable to attend on this new date please contact Jane Pennington ([jane.pennington@rotary9800.org](mailto:jane.pennington@rotary9800.org)) to arrange a refund.

If you have not yet booked, please do so and come and celebrate with your Rotary colleagues. It will be "first in best dressed" for tickets as we are unsure what the restrictions will allow by then. The invitation is attached with booking details.

If you have questions please contact Jane.

We both look forward to welcoming you to this wonderful celebration.

*Philip*

**Philip Archer**  
**District Governor 2020-21**  
**Elect 2020-21**

*Dale*

**Dale Hoy**  
**District Governor**



## ROTARY DISTRICT 9800 CHANGEOVER

*DG Philip Archer & DGE Dale Hoy*

Invite you to attend the District 9800 Changeover celebration

**HYATT PLACE CONVENTION CENTRE, ESSENDON FIELDS**

**SATURDAY 10 JULY 2021**

**12.00 for 12.30 PM – 3.30 PM**

**Cost: \$65.00 per person**  
Includes: drinks on arrival, two-course meal,  
2 bottles of wine per table  
Free car parking opposite hotel/  
\$5 in hotel car park

**RSVP and Bookings: 30 June 2021**

**<https://www.trybooking.com/BRFWD>**



**GROW**

mental  
wellbeing  
programs

# Welcome to Grow Information Sessions

## NEW BENDIGO GROUP - OPENING SOON!



You are invited to an  
**Information session to learn  
about GROW's unique  
intentional peer support  
program for mental wellness.**

**All community members and  
service providers welcome.**

GROW groups are free, no waiting  
times, local or on zoom, and facilitated  
by peers with lived experience, all with  
the aim of supporting recovery, social  
connection and personal growth.

### **Information Sessions:**

**1-2pm & 7-8pm  
Tuesday 29th June 2021**

Kangaroo Flat Uniting Church  
10 Camp St, Kangaroo Flat

**Bookings essential -**

**Call Lindy on 0448 052 769**

**or book via Eventbrite:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/grow-mental-wellbeing-bendigo-information-session-tickets-159541834923>

***Afternoon Tea / Supper provided***

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COVID-Safe rules apply:  
Masks are a must.  
Social distancing at 1.5m.

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Members may recall that Lindy Croucher spoke at our meeting some time ago and delivered a very powerful message about mental health and the value of the mental wellbeing programs.