



Rotary



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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 3rd April : Guest speaker: Levity Camilleri – 2023 Eaglehawk Secondary College Student of the Year.

*Happy Birthday to you in April
30th Charlie Cuneen*



Reminders:

1. **Friday 29th March** (Good Friday)- Easter Book Stall – *Eaglehawk Rotary stall* – all day – *roster circulated by John Gurr.*
2. **Saturday 30th March** – Bunnings BBQ- *members assisting as per roster supplied by John Jones.*
3. **Wednesday 10th April** – Working Bee at Mechanics- packing Conference satchels (*at Club meeting*).
4. **Friday 12th April**- Cluster Dinner at Bunja Thai – Eaglehawk Rotarians invited. Please make sure that you have completed your RSVP.
5. **Friday 12th - Sunday 14th April** – District 9800 Conference –in Bendigo! *Thanks to the volunteers from our Club to work behind the scenes - confirmed roster will be emailed on Monday!*
6. **Thursday 25th April- Anzac Day** – Gunfire Breakfast at Eaglehawk (in Fire Brigade building).
7. **Friday 3rd May** – 2024 Trivia Challenge (RC Eaglehawk and RC Bendigo South) – St Liborius Centre @ 7 pm onwards.
8. **Sunday 2nd June**- Bunnings BBQ

9. **Saturday 8th June** – catering activity got District Governors lunch at Camp Getaway.

Attachments this week:

1. District Conference brochure- with updated details

President's report:

We had a large influx attending this week. The contingent of students from the NYSF Program joined us.

It was also pleasing to have District Governor Ron Payne join us as well.

We are certainly appreciative when Ron can be with us, considering the heavy schedule of meetings and functions that he attends across the district. *Thanks Ron.*

As a club we certainly have a few things on between now and the changeover period at the end of June 2024. Sometimes it is difficult to obtain members for the various rosters, however we have sufficient at each event and look forward to the trend continuing.

Speaking of things that have occurred, it was a great result for the Imagine Library Breakfast last week. It was a lovely morning for golf as well. This event seems to improve each year. Perhaps an Eaglehawk Rotary Golf Team for next year? (ha ha!)

The 9800 District Conference is rapidly approaching, which is looking to be great a event. It has certainly been well supported by members of our Club who have put up their hands to assist in various volunteer roles. Thank you for your dedication to our Club.

The next larger effort towards the Conference is on Wednesday 10th April 2024, when we are packing the Conference satchels (with all the items to be handed out). The night will be along the normal lines, with a surprise in the food department!

It is also great to acknowledge our very own table decoration team, who, following last year's district function, have been asked to undertake the decorations for the Conference dinner at the All Seasons. Obviously, someone in a high place has been impressed with the previous efforts. Looking forward to the result. I am sure it will surpass previous examples.

There are some members traveling or are planning a weekend away, (*ie Geoff Adcock, who is off to Italy!*), so we wish them all safe travels and look forward to catching up on their return, with many stories to tell.

Regards- Eric.

Guest Speakers- NYSF attendees, Lea, Talia, Erin, Corteney (BSSC) and Nissa (Rochester SC):

The NYSF students were given the opportunity to visit either Canberra or Brisbane University, to get a better understanding of the areas Science that they have available to them. It also helps them understand how the subjects they are undertaking this year, fit in with their new knowledge gained during their time away.

Each of the participants were challenged by the programs they were involved in. They included a visit to Questacon in Canberra and information about the range of career paths available in the Science field: ie.

Astrophysics, food testing facilities, stems cells, Forensic laboratories, Indigenous medicine testing, plant genetics, Biology and Physics.

Some students had the opportunity to attend University lectures. In one case, a student attended a group concert in which she participated!

A few of the general comments made were that NYSF was not what they expected. It had broadened their outlook on the subject chosen for this year. They had made new friends which they have continued to keep contact with (even via Zoom on a weekly basis), and that they have found themselves swapping information on their current studies.

All the NYSF students were appreciative of being given the opportunity by Rotary to attend the NYSF program. I believe they would all recommend it other students also.

We were advised that an information video is to be made shortly (starring these students), in an endeavour to encourage more participation, particularly from males.

The NYSF students were very professional in their individual presentations and were a credit to themselves and the respective Secondary Colleges.

Thank-you for your presentations. Eric Smith – President – RC Eaglehawk.



[Imagination Library fundraiser- BBQ:](#)

Here's an email received re the event:

TO ALL HOLE SPONSORS, PLAYERS AND THOSE PEOPLE WHO PROVIDED SUPPORT FOR THE ILB 3RD ANNUAL GOLF DAY – FRIDAY 22ND MARCH

The Dolly Parton Imagination Library's Annual Golf Day teed off with resounding success at Belvoir Park last week. Organised by the dedicated efforts of Andrew Coldwell, the golf day saw more than 100 enthusiastic golfers take to the fairways for an event that blended competitive spirit with community camaraderie.

Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to our generous sponsors and donors of prizes, services, time and or support. The Eaglehawk Rotary Club started the day off by supplying a hearty breakfast of egg & bacon rolls. Thanks to the many volunteers for their support. The collective efforts of all involved raised approximately \$15,500. With this significant sum, it is estimated that over 1,700

books will soon be placed into the eager hands of more than 300 children across the region over the next 5 months, igniting imaginations and laying the groundwork for a lifelong love of reading.

Belvoir Park Golf Club should be congratulated on the excellent condition of the course. They also provided the catering and drinks on and off course.

Congratulations to Jane Upton, Sue Caruana, Sheryle Watson and Karyn Jenvey for their stand-out performance on the day, scoring victory in the women's section, and to Verity Perez, Shane Wharton, Angela Wharton and George O'Meara who claimed the top honours in the men and mixed section.

We would like to again thank everyone involved for their invaluable support. We look forward to doing it all again next year. Together, we are making a difference, one book at a time.

Regards- Andrew Coldwell.



YOUTH PROGRAMME UPDATES:

RYPEN:

Thanks to John P and Cathie Miller for supporting our students (two students from E.S.College and one student from Crusoe S.College), with transport to DOXA at Malmsbury last weekend . *It certainly was a wonderful experience for them all.*

Pictured are: Lily, Hser Moo, Thaw Thaw Wah and their parents.



IMPORTANT....

Dear D9800 club member,

Expressions of Interest are now invited for the position of Rotary Community Leader. Expressions of Interest will close at midnight, Thursday, 28 March. Please send your Expression of Interest to Ron Payne, District Governor D9800.

If contemplating submitting an EOI, I also urge you to attend one of the online briefing sessions for prospective candidates listed below.

Thursday 14 March 6pm AEDT

Friday 15 March 1pm AEDT

Sunday 17 March 11am AEDT

Wednesday 20 March 6pm AEDT

Thursday 21 March 3pm AEDT

A recording of one of the sessions will also be made, available on the Creating Tomorrow website. The website also contains more information about the Regionalisation Pilot.

We are excited to be at this point in the process and look forward to receiving your Expressions of Interest!

Ron Payne District Governor D9800 Ron.Payne@rotary9800.org

An email from Sandi Fulcher re: helping promote the Showcase (at the District Conference) **to the greater public:**

This event is being called the **Rotary in Action Showcase** and we see it as a great opportunity to invite the greater Bendigo community to see what Rotary does. We have 35 projects **on display at the Bendigo Secondary College** for the Saturday and the Sunday. I am hoping I can ask for your assistance being that it has the potential to encourage interested persons into your clubs.



SHOWCASE

Saturday 13th April - 9am to 5pm
Sunday 14th April - 8am to 12pm

Open to the public & Entry is free



Rotary Showcase open to the Bendigo public

Who do you know who lives around Bendigo and would enjoy seeing what we do at Rotary?

Invite them to join us for the Rotary in Action Showcase



Where: Bendigo Senior School Gym - next door to the Ulumbarra Theatre

When: Saturday 13th April - 9am to 5pm

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[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! **Please see attached brochure also!**

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



Rotary District 9800

Bendigo Conference 2024

12-14th April

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

Book now at: www.trybooking.com/CMCUD

'GATHERING ON THE GOLDFIELDS'

BENDIGO

The brochure features three images: a gold mine bus, a colorful dragon dance, and large colorful letters spelling '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>



SHARING HOPE WITH THE WORLD
SINGAPORE
25-29 MAY 2024


Register today at convention.rotary.org

Rotary SINGAPORE 2024

The poster features a vibrant, colorful illustration of diverse people's faces surrounded by flowers and leaves.

Rotary theme for March 2024

Water and Sanitation month-



MARCH DESIGNATION IS

WATER AND SANITATION MONTH

"Clean water..... is a basic need for human beings. When people, especially children, have access to clean water, they live healthier and more productive lives."

Rotary TAKE ACTION: Join a Project

The poster shows hands being washed under a running faucet, with a large yellow Rotary International logo in the background.

