

The Welcome Mat

Bendigo
NEWCOMERS
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Dear Members, Supporters & First Time Readers,

Our AGM was held on 11th September 2008. All committee positions were filled as follows –

President - Kevin Bazley, Vice-President – Michelle Scott, Secretary – Jenny Bazley, Treasurer – Barry Small. Committee members – Chris Vigor, Colleen McCarthy, Marnie Jewell, Walter Kiley, Raelene Joseph & Helen Sleswick.

A big thank-you to Helen O'Donoghue and Anna Macgowan, who did not seek re-election. There are a number of new faces on your committee who are keen to continue the growth and success of Bendigo Newcomers.

Please support your committee members and feel free to contact them to discuss any ideas, issues etc. If you want an item placed on the agenda email Bendigo Newcomers or post to the secretary at P.O. Box 1121, Bendigo 3552

Kevin Bazley,
President



We wish all members & friends of Bendigo Newcomers a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Committee meetings will be held monthly for the moment. If you would like an item placed on the agenda please forward details to the Secretary via email bendigonewcomers@netconnect.com.au or by post to PO Box 1121 Bendigo, 3552. We value your input.

DOCTORS TAKING ON NEW PATIENTS

To confirm doctors taking on new patients please contact the Central Victoria General Practice Network on 5441 7806.

FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT BENDIGO NEWCOMERS

We have a lot more information on our website at www.bendigonewcomers.com

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PROFILE OF A NEWCOMER



My name: Kevin Bazley

My place and date of birth: Melbourne, Vic - May Day

My Family: wife (Jenny) four adult children, two grandchildren

I have lived in Bendigo: approximately 20 months

I came to Bendigo: from North Ringwood, Melbourne

My most enjoyable moments are spent: travelling with Jenny

I would describe myself as being: outgoing & friendly

My earliest memory is: starting kindergarten in Elwood

The music I love is: country and rock

The defining moment of my life has been: starting my own business

I wish I had never: become a fanatical Saints supporter – have endured many disappointments

If I could meet anyone in history: Elvis Presley

The most memorable book I have read: Beneath the Southern Cross (Judy Nunn)

The best place I've visited: Cape York Peninsula

My biggest achievement: reducing golf handicap – at last

If I could wish for anything at all I would wish for: My family to achieve their personal goals

HIDDEN GEM

Confectionery Capers - 1028 Mclvor Hwy, Junortoun. It's not all about 'sweets' More about lateral thinking – great for young and old.

Wine tasting - held every Wednesday upstairs at the Wine Bank on View starting at 5.30– 7.30pm

FEEDBACK MAT

"Do you have a robe full of history"

Helen O'Donoghue is keen to reveal her collection of "fashion through the Ages". She is interested in hearing from any members who have items from their own wardrobe to exhibit. Call Helen on 54461152.

Linking people, places & events

For enquiries and event details call

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Email: bendigonewcomers@netconnect.com.au - Web: www.bendigonewcomers.com

For further contact numbers please refer to our website.



Events

November 2008 to February 2009

The Christmas and January time of year can be too full of invitations for some or a time of loneliness for others. Therefore, responding to member's requests, BN have made this newsletter 4 months long - offering events covering the November to February period.

NOVEMBER

Friday 7th November @ 6.30pm

Wine tasting at the Boardwalk Café on Lake Weeroona. A popular monthly event for just \$10 you'll get a plate of savories, friendly BN company and a great variety of wines to taste. RSVP to Colleen & David on 5443 1679 by Thurs 6th Nov or E:bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Sunday 9th November

Bendigo Wine Estate picnic day, a free event. Bendigo Newcomers has a table reserved. There is wine tasting and food available to purchase but owner of the estate Brian White recommends you bring a picnic, nibbles, hat & sunscreen, chair or rug, to relax in the friendly Axedale hospitality. Music by The Ugly Uncles. Call our host Kevin on 0418 582531 or E:bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Bendigo Wine Estate Axedale is located 6 kms north of Axedale at 682 Axedale-Goornong Rd.

****Please note bookings for Jan 17th required by mid Nov.**

Wednesday 19th November @ 6.30pm

Dinner @ the Bendigo Club, Park Street Strathdale. Meal prices \$12-\$21 RSVP to Chris V. on 5442 8189 by Mon 17th Nov 2008 or E:bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Friday 28th November @ 10.30am

Morning Tea @ The Puddler, \$5. Our morning tea at The Puddler is held each month. This is a great venue, located at 101 Williamson St Bendigo, new members are warmly welcome to all events but if you are looking for somewhere to start, call our friendly host Helen O. on 5446 1152 to RSVP by Wed 26th Nov.

DECEMBER

Sunday 7th December @ 12.30pm

Christmas Lunch will be held at Christine and Don's place. A member's only function, Christine and Don will cook a sumptuous roast on the Webber BBQ. Cost \$5 plus bring a sweet, salad or savory plate to share. BYO Drinks. Call Christine L. on 5435 2044 to book in by 1st Dec for catering purposes. E:bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Friday 19th December @ 10.30am

Morning Tea @ The Puddler, \$5. It's Christmas time so we are meeting early this month. Located at 101 Williamson St Bendigo, call host Helen O. on 5446 1152 to RSVP by Wed 17th Dec.

JANUARY 2009

Sunday 4th January @ 11am

Brunch @ Borchelli's Restaurant, View St - opposite the Art Gallery & Capitol Theatre. Call Chris V. to RSVP on 5442 8189 or E:bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Saturday 17th January

Maldon & Beyond by Twilight Festival, \$12 per person - includes nibbles, table reservation and seat. Dine under the stars by candlelight and music in the Main St of historic Maldon. There is plenty of food, drinks etc to purchase on the night. Festival open from 7pm - midnight. Call Helen S. 0418 727885

Booking & payment is required by mid-Nov to secure a table. Tickets for this event sell out fast.

Friday 30th January @ 10.30am

Morning Tea @ The Puddler, \$5, 101 Williamson St Bendigo. New members are warmly welcome. RSVP to Helen O. on 5446 1152 by Wed 28th Jan.

FEBRUARY 2009

Sunday 8th February @ 12 noon

Family picnic in Rosalind Park. Bendigo Newcomers extends a welcome to new residents of Bendigo. Call Michelle to RSVP on 5444 1711 or E: bendigo newcomers@netconnect.com.au

Saturday 21st February @ 6pm

Progressive Dinner - Three members have offered their home to kick off a Progressive Dinner, members only. Are you able to help with catering? Interested? Call Colleen on 0429 147299

Friday 27th February @ 6pm

Housewarming BBQ at Chris V's home. A member's only function. BYO Food & Drinks. Chris will provide bread, plates & cutlery. Call Chris V. on 5442 8189 to book in by Wed 25th Feb

LOCAL EVENTS TO WATCH OUT FOR:

Sat 1 - Sun 9th November 2008

Don't miss the fabulous **Castlemaine & District Festival of Gardens** which has 21 gardens on display this year. Enjoy the roses, iris and a range of dry-climate flowering plants. 10 am - 4pm Entry \$3 For more details phone 5472 3412

Wednesday 12th November 2008

The Bendigo Cup. Maybe you could organize a group to attend.

Star Cinema

Visit www.bendigo.vic.gov.au or Star Cinema on 54394121 or info@starcinema.org.au

The Information Centre would be able to assist with other local events during the festive season.

