



# Empowering EAGLEHAWK

*"Building Eaglehawk Together"*

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## **First Round of Funding Awarded**

During April Empowering Eaglehawk handed out the first round of funding to community organisations who applied for grants. Almost \$13,000 was distributed to these worthwhile projects.

### **Eaglehawk Primary School Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden**

#### ***Funding allocated \$5000 for the Preparation of plans***

Project Aim: To introduce primary school children to the pleasures of preparing, cooking and eating a variety of foods they have grown and harvested themselves. This is done through the establishment of a large kitchen garden and the construction of a Kitchen Classroom and the employment of a qualified Horticulturalist and a Chef.

### **Eaglehawk Fire Brigade**

### **Eaglehawk Youth Development Day 2007**

#### ***Funding allocated \$3,900***

Project aim: To give selected youth of Eaglehawk the opportunity to attend a day of personal development and motivation in an atmosphere of service to the community, particularly Eaglehawk. To bring the participants together to enjoy an afternoon of fellowship whilst undertaking practical activities designed to extend their boundaries past whatever they thought they could attain. This is to be followed by a formal dinner with a guest speaker chosen to motivate them to reach what could be described as impossible heights.

### **Eaglehawk Secondary College Empowering with Moving Image.**

#### ***Funding allocated \$2,500***

Project aim: Film making in the local community. To empower youth in Eaglehawk with the skills to tell their stories in a culturally accepted way, raise self esteem and pride in their place in the community.

Equipment is required in order that the process of film making and a display wall, will continue for students both in class and outside the normal school day such as filming community celebrations and public viewing.

### **California Gully Primary School. Friendly Free Time Intiative.**

#### ***Funding allocated \$990***

Project Aim: To support California Gully's Friendly Free Time Initiative through the purchase of large Chess pieces. This will mean the construction of a large chess board and appropriately sized Chess pieces is the first step in implementing the California Gully Friendly Free Time initiative.

### **Eaglehawk Secondary College. Wakarirri Performance**

#### ***Funding allocated \$500***

Project Aim. To give youth something to do and get excited about and get a chance to win things for our school. We want to raise awareness about peer pressure that occurs in schools and by doing a performance we hope it will capture the minds of our teenage audiences and performers. Interest in dance has been high yet there is no recognisable class. This dance competition will allow for better opportunities.

## **Canterbury Gardens Master Plan**

The City of Greater Bendigo along with the user groups associated with the Canterbury Gardens & Oval precincts developed a master plan to enhance the area back in 2003. Empowering Eaglehawk has recently lobbied the council to re-visit the plan to see if the improvement of the area could be put back on the council's agenda. A meeting was held between all of the users groups involved at council chambers. City of Greater Bendigo officers have indicated the whole plan would have to be redrawn to accommodate changes and new requirements. As a result a public meeting will be held in the second half of the year to consult the people of the Eaglehawk area on what items might be included on the plan. Details will be made public when available. Empowering Eaglehawk is keen to drive the plan for the Canterbury Gardens precinct and to hopefully extend the plan to include the areas taking in both Lake Neanger and Lake Tom Thumb areas.

### **Visit our Website**

You can now find out all about us on our new website at [www.empoweringeaglehawk.org.au](http://www.empoweringeaglehawk.org.au)

### **How can you help?**

By simply filling out a pledge form and then by doing your banking at the Bendigo Bank or making a phone call with the Bendigo Community Telco. Pledge forms are

available from any committee member or call the Bank on 5446 8511 or the Telco on 5454500. It costs you nothing and you can benefit from this Community venture.

### **Latest round of funding closes July 15<sup>th</sup> 2007**

After a successful first round of funding earlier this year Empowering Eaglehawk is set for the second round of funding which is due to close on July 15<sup>th</sup>. Individuals or organisations wishing to apply for funding can do so by obtaining the relevant application forms and information from the office at Eaglehawk IGA or the office at the Eaglehawk Secondary College. Alternately these forms are also available on the website.

### **Get to know your Committee**

#### **Michael McKern (Treasurer)**

Michael has lived and worked in Eaglehawk for the last 30 years. We run a small Steel Fabrication business in Victoria St employing around 40 people servicing most of Victoria.

Michael has served on numerous boards and committees in the Borough including sporting and employment bodies and regards this one as one of the most active and vibrant ones he has been involved with. It is great to be part of a passionate community

#### **Peter Krenz**

Peter is the Chief Executive Officer of the Bendigo Regional YMCA. Married with

two children, Peter and his family have almost qualified for Eaglehawk citizenship, having resided in Eaglehawk for over 25 years. During their time in Eaglehawk, Peter & his wife Kerry, who manages Heather Faye in Eaglehawk, have been actively involved in a broad range of community, sporting, school and cultural activities.

#### **Ross Mitchell**

Ross is currently the manager at Eaglehawk Supa IGA where he has worked for 17 years. He is the President of the Eaglehawk Business Network and a member of the management committee of Future Employment Opportunities. I believe that Empowering Eaglehawk is a great way to ensure that the community facilities and opportunities in Eaglehawk are continually upgraded.

#### **Sarah Wainwright**

A late inclusion of the Empowering Eaglehawk committee, Sarah owns and operates Eaglehawk Travel and has done so for four years. Working and living in Eaglehawk, Sarah is passionate about the community and is actively involved in the local business network as vice president, as well as representing the business sector on the building a child friendly community working party. A genuine interest in seeing the Eaglehawk community grow and prosper has led to Sarah's enthusiasm to be apart of the Empowering Eaglehawk strategy.