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## GEELONG

Recently, some of the Geelong Section members attended a site tour of the Geelong Library which is currently under construction. Kane Constructions are the contractor on this job and they very kindly put some time aside to take two groups of members through the site on their RDO, Monday 20 July. The building is in a great location, spanning over six levels, with very commanding views

of the Geelong landscape. Its unique architecture and design will certainly be a talking point for all who visit this location. The library facilitates archiving of museum pieces, there are conference and function rooms available for hire as well. This will also house staff from the City of Greater Geelong. This is an exceptional building, well worth a visit upon its completion.



Members from Lyons Constructions who attended.



Alex Ilioski, Building Inspector with Master Builders, Geelong.



Inside the roof design.

## BENDIGO

Master Builders' Bendigo Section has been holding an annual charity golf day for over 25 years, proceeds from which go to a charity or charities of choice, at the discretion of the members of the Bendigo Section. In 2014, they agreed to donate to two groups who are doing fantastic work in and around the Bendigo region. At the Bendigo Section meeting held on Wednesday 22 July, charities HALT (Hope, Assistance for Local Tradies) and SOAR Adventures were invited along to this meeting to each receive a cheque for \$4000.

The idea for HALT came to Castlemaine tradesman Jeremy Forbes after a young local tradesman took his own life. HALT's aim is to build awareness and connections with support services for people at risk of suicide in the local community, including relationships with Lifeline and Beyond Blue on the national level as well as local community health organisations at the local level. HALT runs "Save Your Bacon Brekky" events at local hardware stores across Victoria for tradies to enjoy a hot breakfast, learn about HALT objectives and reinforce the message that asking for help is always okay. SOAR Adventures is an adventure-based learning program, led by Scripture Union Victoria designed to build self-confidence and leadership skills among young people.

To learn more about the Bendigo Section's charitable activities, contact Section Chairman Chris Ryan at [chris@glenloddon.com](mailto:chris@glenloddon.com).