Gloom to boom

Catering veteran gives Bendigo a sample

Greg Rankin, well-known Bendigo identity, is now operating his own Eaglehawk-based mobile catering service, known simply as "Rankin's Complete Catering Service".

Greg, born and bred in the Bendigo district, has faith in the growth of Bendigo, and believes there is a need for his type of catering in the region.

He has been better known over the past 15 years in the motel industry, where he has been assisting with the management of local motels.

Greg has been involved on the catering side of that industry, caring for the needs of thousands of visitors to Bendigo over those years.

Always being an early riser, he enjoys starting the day by cooking breakfasts, and being very experienced in à la carte menus, is well known to many

regular visitors who would not go past a succulent steak prepared by Greg in the evenings.

Greg has also had many years experience with "volume cooking", having prepared hundreds of wedding breakfasts, sporting presentation evenings, trade shows, Christmas functions and others.

He claims that no function is too large or too small.

Greg said he is extremely pleased to now be running his own business, where he can attend to all your special needs — his aim is to please you.

The formal functions are still very popular, but another section of the community is now going informal, and enjoying the prepared spit roasts which are a speciality, served with delicious, freshly cut salads or hot vegetables. These can be enjoyed outside or in, depending on the weather.

The assistance of Greg's qualified family staff

helps him to give top service. Being fully mobile and under refrigeration, Rankin's can arrive at the venue of your choice to prepare your special occasion, be it a hall, marquee, the office or own home, you are assured of top quality anywhere, anyday and at anytime.

Because Rankins in based in Bendigo, they have the knowledge of the area and the people, and can assist with suggested venues for the number of your guests to be catered for, and are able to assist with contacts for bands and other items needed for that special occasion.

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Greg said he believes Bendigo is going forward, and by buying locally he is assisting in putting

money back into the local economy and creating local employment.

He said he is very pleased to have the full support of his family in this venture, and is fortunate to have very experienced staff assisting him with preparations. He said he and his family have faith in the Bendigo people, and hope to do well in this new venture.

"It is much more rewarding to be working for yourself," said Greg.

Most functions are catered for including weddings, balls, parties, suppers, spit roasts, office parties, Christmas parties, platters for entertaining, afternoon teas, picnic hampers, breakfasts and lunches.

Or if you just need a cook to make your function a winner — call Greg on 46-9130 for an obligation free quote at any time.

• BELOW LEFT: It is a family business with the staff of the newly formed Rankin's Complete Catering Service all pitching in. They are from left: Proprietor, Greg Rankin; his wife, Noèl; daughters Andrea Rankin and Gayle Wright and son, Glen.

• BELOW: Greg working hard in the kitchen serving up delicious entrees. He was born and bred in Bendigo and wishes to serve the people of the city.



