

Rotary Club of Bairnsdale



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INDUCTIONS

Patricia Murray-Walton
RC Bairnsdale - 15 August 2017

SPEAKER OF THE WEEK

Wayne Stagg
Updated Road Rules

Tuesday Meetings

5:45pm for 6:15pm

The Bairnsdale Club
68 Nicholson Street

Rotary Bairnsdale Farmers Relief



The committee is back up to full strength with Rex, John and Bonnie back from warmer climes and getting back into the swing of things. We have had a donation from the Rotary Club of Warrnambool Daybreak, one of the first clubs to donate and they understand that things are still tough in our area. As well as thanking them for their donation a copy of the Farmers Relief report was e-mailed so that it can be distributed to their members. On that note we have started distributing our report to the various organisations that have helped us over the last 12 months.

Rex has got word of more hay, but small bales, in the Yarram area that we can purchase at a discounted price, these size bales are a bit more of a problem to load and transport. As of last week, Rex is working on trying to organise a group of farmers who need the hay but can transport it themselves, similar to what he organised last year with a load from Glengarry.

Some of you may have seen an article in the paper about local traders doing another Shopping Discount Days promotion with proceeds coming to our project, but on further investigation it would appear that it will not go ahead. The article in the paper was supposed to have been stopped when it was clear that it was not happening, I do not know the reason, which is a shame, but our local traders are also doing it tough.

Gillian Reeve

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Brian has been hard at work over the last couple of years, networking with new and prospective members. Now it is our turn to help him in maintaining the vibrant atmosphere we all enjoy at meetings, social events and community programs.

Contact Brian at our meeting on 13 August with your ideas.

EVENT CALENDAR

AUG 13: Meeting

AUG 20: Meeting

Tom Forster
My Health Record

AUG 27: Board Meeting

SEP 03: Meeting

SEP 10: Meeting

RI President Mark Maloney
D9820 Governor Adrian Froggatt
D9820 EG Ass. Gov. Anne Cross

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RC Mitchell River (Bairnsdale) Bairnsdale RSL
Monday 5:45 for 6:00pm



RC Lakes Entrance Central Hotel
Wednesday 6:00 for 6:30pm



RC Bairnsdale Sunrise Bairnsdale International Hotel
Wednesday 6:45 for 7:00am



RC Orbost Orbost Club
1st & 3rd Wednesday 6:00 for 6:30pm

FROM THE BOARD

It seems a while since our board meeting, but once again it was full of lively discussion with 18 members attending.

YOUTH

Our NYSF student Leon Adams was successful at his interview on 21 July and will be participating in the program in January 2020.

Grace Adams from Stratford will be our RYLA student, which this year will go for a week, which is in line with other district and states.

Mentors are needed for primary school students, Patricia and her husband are part of this program in Sale and urged members to think about being part of this in our own town of Bairnsdale.

FOUNDATION

In her new role, Brenda reminded us what our foundation stands for, the good that they do in the world and that all it takes is 60c to buy a polio vaccine for one child, \$50 to provide clean water and \$500 to fund an antibullying campaign. Food for thought.

COMMUNITY

We spoke about perhaps revitalising the Botanic Gardens, near Howitt Park, after a recent visit there, Gillian reported that it is looking a bit sad and unloved, with plaques missing, trees, plants (especially the daffodils) not fairing too well. We would have to ask permission from the shire prior to making any plans.

The wishing well in Main Street, raised its head again and first off Ula will approach the shire to see what can be done.

The May Bowel Scan program is now over, all unused kits collected, although some have now reached their expiry date. Not as successful as previous years, we think die to the free kits being distributed by the government on a more regular basis, but John B reminded us that the Rotary kits have a much higher return rate.

9820 DG Adrian Froggatt Presentation to East Gippsland Cluster Clubs

On Sunday 4 August, an auspicious day as it marked our 81st birthday of our charter, is it really 12 months since we had the big celebration? This meeting was open to all the clubs in our cluster and was an opportunity to network as well as meet our new DG Adrian, plus hear about what is in store for us, our District and Rotary this year. About 54 members from the clubs were there for a lunch at the Bellevue, it was pleasing to note that 14 of our members made the effort which on a percentage to active members, was the highest of all clubs represented.

Adrian showed us a video of the Rotary International Presidents message for 2019-2020 which was part of the DG training in San Diego. The focus for this year will be the four points of the action plan:

Impact – Reach – Engagement – Adapt

Based on this we were asked to form groups and give our thoughts on what we could to implement these. I believe that all groups had lively discussions, which a precis of the outcome being read out to all present.

All Presidents were given an opportunity to talk about projects that their club are undertaking for the year at which time President Patricia showed the short video from Leah Radatti as she asked for help to assist her, as she studies in Ireland to further her studies in Humanitarian Law.

This was a new concept and we have not had a DG do this before but it was good to interact with other clubs and hear the DG's message together, although Noel in his year as DG did a joint presentation to Bairnsdale and Mitchell River, so maybe not so new.

Gillian Reeve

ADMIN

We talked about changing the bulletin to once a month, to ease the burden on whoever is the editor, but all members and Directors of committees were reminded that they need to take responsibility for sending editorial through to Martin. The monthly edition will have all the news from the previous month and if timed after the board meeting, all that as well. We agreed to trial it for six months.

On that note I would like to remind members that producing the bulletin is no small task, as those of you who have done it in the past will know, so please take the time to read it as you may miss out on so important dates/information.

Gillian Reeve

BIRTHDAYS

Bonnie Walker – 18 August

MEETING DUTY ROSTER

Welcome: Judy & Michelle Y
Sergeant: John C

MARQUEE ERECTIONS

SEP 07: Paynesville
SEP 14: Newlands Arm