

ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE INC

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Monthly Theme: Membership and New Club Development

What's On

Our Meetings 5.45 pm for 6.15pm start

15 August Trip USA – Gillian

22 August Board Meeting

29 August TBA

Other Clubs

Mitchell River ~ Bairnsdale RSL

Monday 5.45pm for 6.00pm
Leave Message 9517 1220 before 11.00am
Mondays

Bairnsdale Sunrise ~ International Motel

Wednesday 6.45am for 7.00am
Call Sue 0438 278 258

Lakes Entrance ~ Central Hotel

Wednesday 6.00pm for 6.30pm
Call Lesley 0419 871 197

Orbost ~ Orbost Club

Thursday 6.00pm for 6.30pm

Celebrations

Birthday – Bonnie Walker
18 August

DOOR & WELCOME ROSTER

August Ken Sheather
John Walker

September Ula Sheather
Volunteer required

BBQ Dates

Thursday 7 September
Child Protection Day ~ Woolworths
TBA

Friday – Saturday 6-7 October
Futsal Tournament ~ BARC



District Governor Don Ripper

Last week we had a visit from our new District 9820 Governor, Don Ripper accompanied by his wife Jude. All Board members who were available met prior to our meeting to discuss our goals for the coming year and find out what Rotary and District are hoping to achieve this year.

Don emphasised that Rotary is about friends and fellowship, whereas years ago there was a different attitude to vocations and attendance, now we can encourage people to join this great organisation in a more flexible atmosphere. Don pointed out that Rotary in the past has made some silly mistakes with regards to membership. Potential members were turned away and later formed Lions, The Round Table and Apex, all good organisations but they could have been Rotarians.

This year Australia wide, RI President Ian Riseley has asked that we support End Trachoma by 2020. This initiative, as published in a previous bulletin, hopes to end a very preventable disease, promoting better hygiene especially in indigenous communities. We are the only developed country in the world that still has cases of trachoma. They will be partnering with the Fred Hollows organisation to get maximum impact. So our Community Committee will hopefully putting on a fundraiser, during the year to get some extra funds for the cause.

District contact is Gillian Reeve. 0411432522,
gillianreeve@aussiebb.com.au.

As Bill Gates said at the Atlanta convention, Rotary has managed to almost eradicate Polio, only six cases so far this year. What will be our next project to tackle? Bill thought Malaria, which kills many people each year in various countries around the world.

On a club level we need to ensure that we are active and innovative, make it a fun place to be. Support the Foundation (something our club has always done on a regular basis). Attend the Grants Seminar at a Go to Meeting, this will enable us to apply for another District grant this year. Attend the District Assembly to learn about all the new innovations in Rotary. Consider attending the Rotary Learning Institute sessions, a great way for new members to learn more about Rotary.

The District are striving to eliminate the committee of one mentality, that has been around for years, all District Committee Chairs need to have a second in command to lighten the load and pass on the job for the next year.

Overall DG Don thought that our club has a diverse range of projects that we undertake each year and although our numbers are a bit depleted at present, we do a good job. There's hope for us yet !!!



President RI: Ian H. S Riseley
D9820 Governor: Don Ripper
D9820 EG Assistant Governor:
Judy van der Vlugt

Club President: Tony Murray

Past President: Helen Crosby

Corres Secretary: Gillian Reeve

Minute Secretary: Noel Wheeldon

Treasurer: Gillian Reeve

Membership
& Vocation Brian Ross

PR, Bulletin,
Facebook, Web: Helen Crosby and
Gillian Reeve

Youth Service: Ula Sheather

Community John Ariens

Programs John Walker

International: Margaret Macfarlane
Foundation: Margaret Macfarlane

Club Meets at: The Bairnsdale Club
Tuesdays 6pm 68 Nicholson St
Bairnsdale
PH: 5152 4301 Phone
Club before 12 noon

Web Sites to visit:
Our Facebook Page – rcbairnsdale
Our Webpage – rcbairnsdale.org
Youtube.com/rotary
Rotary International - rotary.org.au

Marquee Hire: John Crawford
0412432325

Marquee Volunteers are welcome



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DG Wife's Project

Jude has decided to go with the Rotary International project, set out by Ian Riseley, for every Rotarian to plant a tree this coming year. The trees must be indigenous to our country (so my new magnolia will not count). We are requested to take a photo of the tree or trees and send them to District, all prior to the end of April 2018. If you cannot plant a tree then a donation will do, to be used to purchase trees that can be planted where needed. As we live in a rural area I am sure we can achieve this as a club and perhaps can take it out to the wider community



August is Membership Month

Inspiring Youth

As you are aware this year we sponsored the Inspiring Youth event organised by Gippsland East Local Learning Network, with one for girls and another for boys. On talking to organiser Don Shaw, the two events this year were done in a different format, less formal with nibbles instead of a sit down meal. The feedback has been fantastic with the business mentors feeling that they got as much out of the day as the students. While at GELLEN I read a few of the comments that were e-mailed and they were all very positive. So once again a very worthwhile event that we are proud to have sponsored.

ROTARY AT A GLANCE

Rotarians: 1,239,068 in 35,660 clubs in 540 Districts in 220 countries/geographic areas.

Rotaractors: 236,532* in 10,284 clubs in 532 districts in 184 countries/geographic areas.

Interactors: 501,170* in 21,790 clubs in 498 districts in 161 countries/geographic areas.

Rotary Community Corps members: 204,194* in 8878 clubs in 235 districts in 90 countries/geographic areas.

Down Under there are 29,326 Rotarians in 1107 clubs in 21 districts in Australia and 8471 Rotarians in 267 clubs in six districts in New Zealand and the Pacific. Australian and New Zealand districts include Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, American Samoa, Cook Islands, Fiji, French Polynesia, Kiribati, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island, Samoa, Tonga and Vanuatu, where there are 734 Rotarians in 44 clubs.



OBJECTS OF ROTARY

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1** The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
- 2** High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
- 3** The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;
- 4** The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

