

Rotary Club of Bairnsdale



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PLANNING MEETING

Come prepared with your ideas

Tuesday Meetings

5:45pm for 6:15pm

The Bairnsdale Club
68 Nicholson Street



District 9820 DG Adrian Froggatt on his 2019-20 District Theme

“Breaking the Chains” is essentially a shortening of the phrase “breaking the chains of the prison of the mind” as it is in our minds where the true obstacles to progress and adaptability reside.

Its objective is for Rotarians to recognise and acknowledge institutional and personal fears and anxiety around change so we can better deal with and respond to our rapidly changing environment.

Breaking the chains is not something that only applies to Rotary, indeed, far from it. This is where our speakers come in, as I want their addresses whether Rotary content or not, to Encourage us to be outward looking.

- Encourage us to be open minded and accepting of other views; to look through the eyes of others.
- Encourage us to critically review our established practices and ways.
- Encourage us to embrace beneficial change while not embracing change.
- Encourage us to remove prohibitions, barriers and boundaries where they exist.
- Give us a clear call to action.



2019/20 Rotary International President Mark Daniel Maloney

“The emphasis is to grow Rotary; grow our service, grow the impact of our projects, to grow our membership so that we can achieve more.”

Maloney believes connection is at the heart of the Rotary experience, calling on every Rotary club to identify segments of their community not represented by and in their club.

Maloney urged clubs to offer alternative service opportunities to make it easier for busy professionals and people with many family obligations to serve in leadership roles.

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EVENT CALENDAR

JUL 16: Planning Meeting

JUL 23: Meeting

Tom Forster
Update My Health Records

JUL 30: Board Meeting

AUG 04: D9820 DG VISIT

East Gippsland Cluster,
Joint Clubs Meeting
Albert & Co. (Lunch)

AUG 06: NO MEETING

AUG 13: Meeting

Wayne Stagg
Updated Road Rules

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Martin van Elst

“Rotarian behind the Badge”

Due to constant reminders (and perhaps popular demand?), here is the talk from a few weeks ago that due to time and space constraints, has not made it to print yet.

Recently we were delighted to hear from an old member Martin, who as we found out has managed to avoid his ‘Behind the Badge’ talk for just over 4 years.

Born in Hamersley, Perth, Martin is the eldest of three children. The family first moved to Albany, WA where he attended primary school before once again moving with the family to Bairnsdale for high school. All throughout his childhood sport was a major part of his life, participating in just about everything there was to play.

After leaving high school and moving to Melbourne, Martin became an Outdoor Education instructor, taking groups of children and some adults on trips to the rivers and forests surrounding Melbourne, particularly scout groups and Year 7 & 8 school students.

This lasted until the birth of his daughter where he moved to working in finance for a multinational export company based in Carnegie, exporting Australian meat and farm produce around the world. Over the next 10 years Martin eventually headed the company’s finance department and travelled extensively.

Throughout all this Martin still worked in the sport he loved, Futsal. Mostly at night and weekends he played, coached and



**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**
Thursday 6:00 for 6:30pm

refereed Futsal and football, using the skills taught to him in Bairnsdale by the local dedicated coaches.

Coaching at some of the biggest clubs in Victoria (South Melbourne, Sandringham & Brighton), running football programs at public and private schools (Xavier College & Dandenong Secondary), managing leagues for Football Federation Victoria and councils, Martin also worked in Melbourne Victory FC’s community programs in their foundation year and subsequent seasons.

For many years Martin was involved in the Victorian State Futsal Program, coaching teams at the Australian National Championships. This culminated in 2013 where he was selected to coach, referee and play for Victoria, prior to his move back to Bairnsdale.

As president of Bairnsdale Soccer Club, Martin spends most of his nights passing on expertise to local players wishing to take their talent as far as it will go.

Joining Rotary was a follow on to his voluntary work in Melbourne in cultural support for the Sudanese community and local sport clubs.

Whilst the only hint of his talent is the youthful athletic profile he cuts sitting among a group of Rotarians, I’m sure we were all greatly surprised that behind this quiet man is a lifelong champion of youth sports with boundless energy to share talent and expertise in sports training, cementing a solid foundation for the future of young people.

With great sadness we inform you that **Hugh MacKay** passed away on Tuesday 9 July 2019 at home in the UK.

During his brief visits to Paynesville from Burnham-on-Sea (2007-2016) he became an integral part of RC Bairnsdale, helping with sausage sizzles and erecting our marquee. He had been battling cancer since late 2018. Fondly remembered by all who knew him.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES

Fees for 2019/20 are **NOW DUE**. You would have received an invoice via email in the last week.

BSB: 633-000
ACC: 165960436

Use your name as a reference.
Cash & cheque accepted as always.

If you have any difficulties, please speak with Treasurer Michelle Y.

BULLETIN EDITORIAL

If you have any content for the bulletin, please ensure you have it to the editor by 10am Sundays.

If you are aware of good being done by a selfless Rotarian, let the editor know.

Submissions are welcome from all Rotarians, you are encouraged to make your contribution.

MEETING DUTY ROSTER

Welcome: Gillian
Sergeant: John C

MARQUEE ERECTIONS

JUL 17: Mt Taylor

Trivia Question

What is the combined number of years that our clubs recent Paul Harris Fellows recipients have served as Rotarians?

(Answer correctly to avoid a gold coin fine)

