

ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE INC

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What's On Club Speakers

Our Meetings 5.45 pm for 6.15pm start

November 20th

Annual General Meeting – 6.20 pm

Leah Radatti – One Young World
Summit update

November 28th

Board Meeting

All directors to have a report on the
night

December 18th

Christmas breakup - Bairnsdale Club
6.00pm for 6.30pm
\$30.00 per head, includes a Kris
Kingle gift

January 8th

Social night to start the year –
theme and venue to be advised

DOOR & WELCOME ROSTER

November – John Crawford and Tony

December – Rex and Michelle

January – John A and Rex

**Remember to find a replacement if
you are not able to do your roster**

Marquee

Nov 28 – All Abilities Playground

Dec 1 – Patties – East Bairnsdale

Celebrations

Inductions

Nil

Birthdays

Cec Estoppey – 25 Nov
Rhonda Wheeldon – 26 Nov
Noel Wheeldon – 27 Nov

Anniversaries

Nil

FARMERS RELIEF

Last week we received a lovely
thank you note from one of the
farmers that had received one of
our gift vouchers.

The note is detailed below:

*I would like to thank your club
sincerely as the recipient of
some seven hundred dollars in
drought relief.*

*As much as the money, the gift
was a touching personal
consideration.*

Thanks again

Those of us on the sub-committee
were really touched by these
words and it is nice to know that
we are making a difference

Other Clubs

Bairnsdale Sunrise - Hotel International
Wednesday 6.45 for 7.00am Hotel
International. Call Sue 0438 278258

Mitchell River - RSL

Monday 5.45 for 6.00 pm
Bairnsdale RSL. Leave message
95171220 before 11.00 Mondays

Lakes Entrance - Central Hotel

Wednesday 6.00pm for 6.30pm
Call Lesley 0419 871 197

Orbost - Orbost Club

Thursday 6.00pm for 6.30pm
Call Gillian 5154 3051

Rotary Theme
November
Rotary Foundation
Month



BE THE INSPIRATION

President RI:	Barry Rassin
D9820 Governor:	Janne Speirs
D9820 EG Assistant Governor:	Judy van der Vlugt
Club President:	Tony Murray
Past President:	
Corres Secretary:	Gillian Reeve
Treasurer:	Michelle Young
Membership & Vocation	Brian Ross
PR, Bulletin, Facebook, Web:	Bonnie Walker and Gillian Reeve
Youth Service:	Patricia MurrayWalton
Community	John Ariens
Programs	John Walker
International: Foundation:	Ula and Ken Sheather Ula and Ken Sheather
Club Meets at: Tuesdays 6pm	The Bairnsdale Club 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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GUEST SPEAKER

Last week we had the owner operator of Chocky Sweet Box (formerly MMM Truffles), Graeme Reynolds, talk to us about how he started in business and how that journey has brought him to where he is now.

Graeme is a fifth generation Orbost lad and began a career in hospitality at a restaurant in Marlo and then a juice bar in Lakes Entrance. He walked away from the later after a relationship breakup and it was what will I do next?

He began making chocolate truffles for a wedding and then found an outlet for his product at VibeZ in Lakes Entrance. Within six months he was supplying 30-60 outlets around Victoria. From there he expended his shop/factory in Lakes Entrance to include a café. In six to seven years he was supplying 350 venues with truffles and other products, around Australia.

He decided to slow down and give Bairnsdale a go, so for a short time operated a café selling chocolate products from the Butter Factory. Today he has rationalised all his operations and only has the shop/café in Bailey Street, Chocky Sweet Box. From here he makes chocolates and sweets producing over 500 products. If you visit the shop, through a glass window you can watch the production process.

Graeme is self-taught and with the help of his wife has explored making liquorice allsorts, hand stretched candy which can be made into lollipops and lollies, fudge, plus chocolates in many flavours. You can not leave out his famous wombat poo, although it does not look like the shape of the real thing, which surprisingly is square, has proved to be a best seller. For those who are wondering, it is marshmallows, coconut, covered in chocolate.

At question time he shared that he was happy to have a smaller operation, as in years gone by it was nothing to travel 850 kms a week delivering to the various outlets. Keeping chocolate viable when transporting was a problem as purchasers may send back if it is melted.

It seems as if Graeme is very happy and enthusiastic about his work and lifestyle. The many samples that he brought along were enjoyed by the members of our club, even though some lost control of their dentures with the liquorice allsorts. He is welcome back any time.



CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS

Rum & Brandy Cakes ~ \$16.50

Steamed Puddings ~ \$16.50

Mini Puddings ~ \$7.50

Tim Gibson has once again ordered the supplies for this Christmas. They are around town at the usual venues, but some will be available for purchase at our meeting this Tuesday, so bring along your money



MULTI DISTRICT CONFERENCE 15 – 17 FEBRUARY 2019

Thinking of going to the conference next year, why not book now to get the early bird price of \$175.00 for the conference only, ends 30 November 2018. If you want to attend the Saturday night social event., that will be an extra \$110.00 per person. It will be held in Melbourne at the Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre. So far two members have registered and booked accommodation, why not get a few more on board. Follow the link to register online.

<http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/>

Gillian – On to Conference Club Representative

BOWEL SCAN REPORT 2018

There were 348 Bowelscan Kits sold through pharmacies in the Bairnsdale area this year, (down from 582 in 2016, and from 454 in 2017). This reduction probably reflects the fact that each year more people become eligible to receive the FREE Government Test Kit, available only for people aged between 50 and 75 years old. This figure is also consistent with, but slightly less than the decline in sales throughout the whole of program statewide.

The overall 2018 Program return rate for the 20,370 kits distributed was 82%, which is almost twice the return rate of the free Government kit. There were 14,882 Negative tests and 2666 Positive test results, which is equivalent to 15.2% positive tests. Based on the above figures this would equate to approximately 40 positive results from the kits we distributed in our area.

There were 45% of participants aged over 75 years old, and 5% under 50 year old, which means 50% of people are outside of the ages covered by the National Bowel Screening Program (NBCSP). There were 53.5% female respondents and 46.5% male.

The program for this year is now complete and I would like to thank all those who helped, whilst I was relaxing and cruising around the world!!

John Beynon