

ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE INC

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What's On

Our Meetings 5.45 pm for 6.15pm start

August 21st

Ian Wright – Birds

August 28th

Board meeting

September 4th

Leah Radatti – One Young World Summit

Bulletin Editor

While Ula is away on holiday I will be doing the bulletin, so send any editorial to me by Sundays - Thanks

DOOR & WELCOME ROSTER

August – Ian and Gillian

September – Rhonda and Noel

October – John and Bonnie

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 Dates

27th October - Bairnsdale

Celebrations

None for this week

HAY RUN

As per last week, we are proud to announce that 64 large round bales of hay arrived from Lilydale, thanks to the Rotary club there and Grinters Transport, Willaton Transport and the Gippsland Truck Centre. The bales are being stored while we liaise with the necessary departments to ensure that they are distributed to the most needy. Lilydale also gave us a large cheque, so together with money from our club we are in the process of sourcing more feed which can be distributed and fuel vouchers

Also thankyou to John W, Bonnie, John C and Tony M for liaising with the transport companies, organising the unloading and storage of the bales, a great team effort. They will be more updates as they come to hand.

More bales will be arriving Tuesday !!!

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

AUGUST IS

Membership and New
Club Development
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, Bonnie Walker and
Facebook, Web: Gillian Reeve

Youth Service: Patricia MurrayWalton

Community John Ariens

Programs John Walker

International: Ula and Ken Sheather
Foundation: Ula and Ken Sheather

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 – rcbaairnsdale
Our Webpage – rcbaairnsdale.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 Elaine Bryant a member of the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale Sunrise, talk to us about Disaster Aid, which was started right here in our District, by the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills.

It all began for Elaine 18 months ago when she attended a conference held by Disaster Aid, where they asked for volunteers to liaise/talk with local Rotary Clubs and pass on the message, which is quite a powerful one.

Did you know that 4000 children die every day around the world from water borne diseases. It is the dream of Disaster Aid to put an end to that terrible statistic and every little bit helps.

A man named Rhett Butler invented a device that can purify water at the rate of 1000 litres per hour, using small microfibers enclosed in a plastic tower, where water is gravity fed. Although a commercial enterprise, he is dedicated to ensuring that Rotary has access to this at a low cost. The name of the invention is the Sky Hydrant and Rotary have named it Sky Juice.



The unit only weighs 18 kilos and can even be transported to various countries as checked in baggage. Elaine brought one along on the evening and it certainly is a compact unit, with a life of ten years in the field. Being very low maintenance, requiring a manual twist of the top every 24 hours, it is ideal for remote locations, requiring no high technology, other than the microfibres inside.

Before a unit is put in place, the locals are consulted, and nothing is installed if they are not in total agreement, the motto is to give a "Hand Up" not a "Hand Out" Bhutan has been the recipient of many units and are well on the way to achieving the goal of clean water for every village. The water quality is always tested prior to installing a unit as some chemicals cannot be cleansed by the filters, which have the capability of removing all dirt and bacteria. Of course, constant testing is done at regular intervals.

It was very apparent that these Sky Hydrants are a prized possession of the villages, when insurgents raided a village, the equipment was removed and taken to safety.

Disaster Aid which started by supplying relief boxes after a major disaster have evolved into providing the most suitable aid required at the destination,

rebranding themselves as Smart Aid and supplying Safe Water to Every Child. Even a small donation can make a huge difference:

\$10.00 hand tools - \$50.00 a tarp - \$250.00 materials to build a home - \$5000.00 a Sky Hydrant

This year the DG's partners Charlie Speirs has taken it on as his project, to ensure Safe Water for Every Child., so it is up to every club to get behind the project, all monies raised will hopefully be matched by a grant from Foundation to ensure our dollar goes further.

A great talk reminding us all of the great work that rotary does overseas.

For more information follow the link below to the web site:

<https://www.disasteraidinternational.com/about-disaster-aid-australia.html>

FEES DUE

A reminder that the annual fees are now due, everyone should have received an invoice, so no excuses.

\$270.00 per single member
\$360.00 for couples

Michelle - Treasurer



Unloading the truck