# Rotary Club of Bairnsdale

# **BE THE INSPIRATION**

#### **Tuesday Meetings**

5:45pm for 6:15pm

The Bairnsdale Club 68 Nicholson Street

#### **RI President Barry Rassin D9820 Governor** Janne Speirs D9820 EG Ass. Gov. Judy van der Vlugt

#### **INDUCTIONS**

**Brian Ross** 8 Years - 24 May 2011

#### **FARMERS RELIEF**

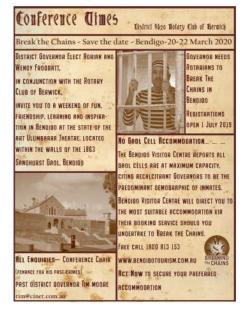
All but 24 bales of the load received last week have been distributed, but Rex has not run out of farmers who need our help, some have contacted us via our web page as the word spreads about what we are trying to do in our community.

Thanks to the recent donations received we have enough to keep going with what we are doing and there may be a possibility of more hay that we can purchase from the Hastings/Westernport area.

#### **DISTRICT 9820 CONFERNECE 2019**

A further reminder that the District 9820 conference will be in Bendigo the 20-22 March 2020. We have been approached to talk about our Farmers Relief project and I hope that all of our small committee can make the trip next year.

If you have not been to one for a while, or are new to Rotary, now is the time to make the effort.



#### **EVENT CALENDAR**

**MAY 21: MEETING** 

**MAY 28: BOARD MEETING** 

SPEAKER OF THE WEEK

**Sally Dell** 

**Trachoma** 

**JUN 04: MEETING JUN 11: MEETING JUN 18: MEETING** 

**JUN 23: DISTRICT 9820** 

2019/20 CHANGEOVER

Gumbuya Park

**JUL 07: RC BAIRNSDALE** 2019/20 CHANGEOVER B'dale Golf & Bowls Club

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#### 9820 District Governor Janne Spiers

Last week we had the pleasure of welcoming DG Janne and husband Charlie to our club meeting.

Janne presented our club with an appreciation certificate from the Rotary Foundation for our financial support to the Polio Plus program for 2017-2018. Our club has a long history of making a donation every year to this worthy cause and 2018-2019 will be no different.

Janne spoke about the great work that Rotary has achieved over the years in almost bringing an end to Polio in the world, with Pakistan and Afghanistan the only countries to have cases reported this year. With the support of the Pakistan Prime Minister, Imran Khan it is hoped that the end is in sight in that country. With Bill Gates donating so much money to the cause, matching the amounts that Rotary raises two to one the future is bright. Janne also emphasised that Rotary is the only charity that the Bill Gates Foundation associates with, which just goes to show what a great organisation we belong to.

DG Janne went on to talk about membership. With the changing face of Rotary how attracting new members is easier as the rules have changed regarding attendance and what each club does at a meeting.

As she spoke I am sure that most, if not all of our members would agree that we have changed the way our club operates over the years, reducing the amount of ceremony involved at the meetings, plus a flexible approach to attendance. We have inducted three new members this year and there may be another one in the pipeline, thanks to Brian. Some clubs are moving to fortnightly meetings, Orbost being the latest who will make the change in July, but at the moment I believe we are happy to continue on as usual, but who knows what the future holds. In the words of Paul Harris himself;

"This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it. The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again." This Rotarian Age, circa 1935

Thank you Janne and Charlie for making the trip down to our club meeting, especially as we know they had to leave to drive to Melbourne afterwards.



#### **CHANGEOVERS**

#### **RC Bairnsdale Sunrise**

Friday 31 May (Evening) Bairnsdale International Hotel

#### District 9820

Sunday 23 June (Lunch) Gumbuya Park

#### **RC Lakes Entrance**

Friday 28 June (Evening) Central Hotel

RC Mitchell River (Bairnsdale)

TBA

**RC Orbost** 

TBA



Leadership - Past, Present and Future (L-R)

RC Bairnsdale PE, Patricia Murray-Walton 9820 DG, Janne Spiers & partner Charlie Past District Governor, Noel Wheeldon RC Bairnsdale President, Tony Murray

#### Welcome & Door Roster

May: Patricia & Gillian

June: Rex & Judy

#### Marquee Erection Dates

MAY 24: Eastwood JUL 17: Mt Taylor

### DISTRICT 9820 - East Gippsland Cluster Clubs



## RC Mitchell River (Bairnsdale) Bairnsdale RSL

Monday 5:45 for 6:00pm Leave message (03) 9517 1220



#### RC Bairnsdale Sunrise Bairnsdale International Hotel

Wednesday 6:45 for 7:00am Call Sue 0428 278 258



#### RC Lakes Entrance Central Hotel

Wednesday 6:00 for 6:30pm Call Lesley 0419 871 197



#### RC Orbost Orbost Club

Thursday 6:00 for 6:30pm Call Gillian (03) 5154 3051