

ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE INC

Bulletin No. 18/19 – 21 November 2017

Monthly Theme: Rotary Foundation Month

What's On

- Our Meetings 5.45 pm for 6.15pm start
- 21 November Pizza Night
John Crawford's house
21 Toonalook Parade
Paynesville
- 28 November AGM & Board Meeting
- 5 December Ryla Students
- 12 December Social Night
Margaret Macfarlane's
Details to be advised
- 19 December Christmas Breakup
Combined with Mitchell
River Club
- 26 December No Meeting
- 2 January No Meeting
- 9 January Social fundraiser for
Hariti Scholarships at
Rex & Cec Estoppey's

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 871 497

Orbost ~ Orbost Club
Thursday 6.00pm for 6.30pm
Call Gillian 0429 591 012

DOOR & WELCOME ROSTER

- November Geoff Johnston
Volunteer required
- December John Ariens
John Beynon

**If not available please organise
a replacement**

SOFT TOYS REQUIRED

As previously advised Ula and Gillian are heading off to Moradabad in January to participate in the National Immunisation Day for Polio Plus. As part of what we do, as we vaccinate the young children we give them a small stuffed toy, about the size of your palm. We will need approximately 50 each so if you have any hidden away, please let us know. As yet we have not done the rounds of the Opp Shops, but we will in time.

Thanks



Marquee Dates

- 22.11.2017 Safety Shop
2.12.2017 Patties Food
9.12.2017 Bernie Eastman
10.12.2017 Mark Fischer
22.12.2017 Gippsland Truck Centre

CHRISTMAS CAKES AND PUDDINGS

Rum & Brandy Cakes ~ \$16.50
Steamed Puddings ~ \$16.50
Mini Puddings ~ \$7.50

They are now in stock and you can either buy direct from Tim –
Mobile: 0408 721 017 or
E-mail: trgibson.1963@gmail.com

They are also available around town –
RACV Shop, WGM, Bloom Hearing and
Goodmans Farm Seed & Garden Centre



Celebrations

Birthdays

- Cec Estoppey – 25 November
Rhonda Wheeldon – 26 November
Noel Wheeldon – 27 November
Graeme Cunningham – 28 November
Patricia Murray-Walton – 28 November



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

- 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
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:
Foundation: Margaret Macfarlane
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](https://www.facebook.com/rcbairnsdale)
Our Webpage – rcbairnsdale.org
[Youtube.com/rotary](https://www.youtube.com/rotary)
Rotary International - rotary.org.au

Marquee Hire: John Crawford
0412432325
Marquee Volunteers are welcome



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VOCATIONAL VISIT TAMBO WASTE RECYCLING PLANT

Last week we had our first Vocational visit for this year and it proved to be very informative. This large facility is situated in MacMillan Street, Lucknow and was very impressive with the vast array of sophisticated equipment.

Like a few people we often wonder if our recycling regime actually makes a difference, especially after some media reports in recent weeks. Well you can put your mind at rest as it was very clear that every piece of rubbish is sorted and sent to the appropriate place.

The plant has the contract for both the East Gippsland and Wellington Shire, kerbside collection, which is the bulk of their revenue. The contracts run for 10 years and considering the monetary commitment with the required machinery, it would not want to be any shorter.

When the trucks arrive all the load is dumped behind a cage which is sorted daily, by hand, this is important as the core temperature can rise to combustion point if left. At this point only the truly recyclable materials are put on the conveyor belt for mechanical sorting. This machine drops all the small items, cans etc to a bottom collection pit, for crushing in massive bale

An employee is at the end of that line where she ensures that only bottles and other plastic go up the line for more manual sorting. Large bins stand below a platform where the workers ensure that the waste is sent to the right bin, for compacting. It was amazing to see the large bales of plastic bottles, bags, tin cans and small cardboard containers all ready to be sent on to the main sorting plant at Visy Recycling.

Glass bottles are proving to be a bit problematic as it would seem to be difficult to recycle effectively, plus a lot of the glass is smashed by the time they get to the plant. Nothing is wasted and items that are really hard fill end up in the big bin and to the tip.

One room was all large cardboard boxes to be baled and sent on. The large bales of wire and machinery required to complete the task sit outside. Inside the same room was a pile of E Waste, any technology associated with computers, televisions, printers etc. These are cannibalised for the gold and other metal content, so if you have any of these at home or in the garage you can leave in a bin at the plant.

A lot of the recycled rubbish seems to end up in China, not sure what they do with it all, one hopes that they do not burn the plastic for fuel. Also remember that you can leave the plastic shopping bags at the supermarket in their bins, together with those small containers that have berry fruits in and the like.

What was very obvious as we walked around the plant is that many people are unaware of what is and what is not recyclable. Because of this misinterpretation there are many wasted man hours to remove it from the piles.

PIZZA NIGHT JOHN CRAWFORDS TUESDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2017

\$20 per head – Two course meal

Profits from the night will go to Production Line

The plant manager Bruce Crowe gave us a very comprehensive tour and we could probably have spent longer there learning all the ins and outs of this industry.

It was certainly food for thought and President Tony, together with Rotarians on the night are keen to perhaps start a community awareness program. No doubt this will be discussed at our next Board Meeting.

Thanks John Walker for organising the evening, which ended up with a social meal at the Bairnsdale Club.

