# ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE INC

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Monthly Theme: Youth Service Month

### What's On

Our Meetings 5.45 pm for 6.15pm start

### 22 May 2018

Ula Sheather Awake & Shine School

### 29 May 2018

Board Meeting

### 5 June 2018

David Griffiths Travels to Antarctica

### **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 871 197

### Orbost ~ Orbost Club

Thursday 6.00pm for 6.30pm Call Gillian 0429 591 012

## **Marquee Dates**

2 June - McMillans, Metung

14 July – Princes Hwy Nicholson

27 October - Bairnsdale

### DOOR & WELCOME ROSTER

May - Rex & John Ariens

June – Michelle & Margaret

### **ANNUAL REPORTS**

Just an early reminder that all Directors will need to have a report ready for inclusion in the Annual Report that will be available to all attendees at our 80th Birthday and Changeover, on 4 August. I am going to be away for all of June this is just a reminder that it should be done hopefully three weeks before the changeover, to enable plenty of time for compiling and publishing.

Gillian

### **DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS**

We had a discussion at the last Board Meeting about the dispersal of the remaining funds for this year, a separate e-mail was sent to all members with suggestions for you to think about.

We need to have all amounts in place at the next Board Meeting

Gillian - Treasurer

### **BOWEL SCAN MONTH**

Yes it's that time again and John B has been busy distributing kits to all the pharmacies in town. Kits are \$15 each, easy to use and you post back yourself. They have saved a few lives over the years, spread the word and buy one yourself.

## Celebrations

Birthday

Janet Liddell - 22 May



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

& Vocation Brian Ross

PR, Bulletin, Facebook, Web: Bonnie Walker and Gillian Reeve Youth Service: Ula Sheather

Community John Ariens
Programs John Walker

International: Margaret Macfarlane Foundation: 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 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 heard from our Youth Exchange Student Roni Corby, who returned from a year in Austria this January.

As soon a Roni arrived in Austria it was off to a ski camp with other Rotary Exchange Students where they got to rub shoulders with Olympic hopefuls, from the Special Olympics.

She was soon on another trip to Asolo with her host family, that is the beauty of being in Europe nothing is ever very far away.

As we do the Rock to Reef tour here in Australia, it was the Euro Tour and as the name implies they travelled to France, Germany, Czech Republic and Italy to name a few. They also attended the District conference with other Exchange students.

The first host family lived in Innsbruck and as Roni is passionate about skiing, it was the perfect place to be.

While at the second host family, Roni took a trip to Italy with the whole family and had a hiking weekend.

It looks as if she was made very welcome at all of her host families. One of the sons was at Sport Boarding School where he was able to study and practise sport, which takes up 1/3 of the time spent at school. This was the home where the daughter was on exchange to Australia and so Roni did not get a chance to meet her.

Roni liked the fact that schools go from 7.40 am to 1.00 pm, no lunch break and then back home, not sure how that would work for us. The first half of the year Roni had difficulty keeping up with her studies due to not understanding the language fully. By the second half she was more fluent and therefore was able to attend more classes.

At the third host family, the two sons were off studying medicine, but once again this family were into skiing and climbing.

The Rotary Club that Roni attended was an all male club, no women allowed at all, so when attending meetings she was often the only female, although sometimes partners did attend. She did hint that the attendance rate was a bit sporadic to say the least.

For her talk Roni wore a beautiful traditional dress which was given to her by one of the host families, apparently they can be very costly, this one was a mere 200 Euro.

It would appear that she had a great time and enjoyed all the festivals that came and went. Once again another successful year overseas for a young person





### THE HOPE RESTART FOUNDATION

Last week we officially handed over the cheque for \$5000.00 to the Hope Restart Foundation, Peter and Margaret Down were very pleased with this donation.



### **APOLOGIES**

Yet another reminder to members that if you are not going to be able to attend a meeting you should contact the **Bairnsdale Club 51524301**. They will enter your name in the apologies book and then the President and members will know that you will not be attending. The same applies if you intend to bring a guest etc.

When we have small numbers then the club may put us in the smaller room so that they can accommodate any larger groups.

If you away for an extended length of time it is up to you enter your name in the apologies book in the back, indicating when you will be returning.

These rules have been in place for quite some time now so please remember for the future. Thanks