

# Rotary Club of Bairnsdale



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All top farmers leave their farms in much better condition than when they started. I have tried to do the same with Rotary.

- Tony Murray (2017-19 President)

## **SPEAKER OF THE WEEK** **Rotarian Brian Ross** **Building Permit Requirements**

**Tuesday Meetings**  
5:45pm for 6:15pm  
**The Bairnsdale Club**  
68 Nicholson Street

## **FARMERS RELIEF**

At the commencement of our meeting on Tuesday we welcomed visitor Paul Brennand, the District Co-ordinator for Freemasons Victoria, who presented our club with a cheque for \$600.00 towards our Farmers Relief project. The continuing generosity of the Freemasons is greatly appreciated. We were also given a cheque for \$1000.00 from the East Gippsland Art Society and Rex managed to get a photo opportunity which was published in the local news.

Another load of hay is due to arrive on Sunday, at Donalda Motors, which was sourced by the Rotary Club of Hastings/Westernport and we shared the cost with them. Once again Warren from Donalda's offered the services of his truck and will be collecting the load, just for the cost of fuel. Rex and Gillian managed to catch up with Paddy from Hastings/Westernport at the recent District Changeover, as both missed him when he attended a recent meeting. It was a chance to thank him and his club, he was happy to report that due to their involvement with this project, the flow on effect may be four new members for them. A win, win situation all round! It was discussed at the Board Meeting as to whether providing hay was still the best way to go, but Rex assured us all that the farmers really need it and it is getting harder to source at a reasonable cost, so the good work will continue.

<b>RI President</b>	Barry Rasson
<b>D9820 Governor</b>	Janne Speirs
<b>D9820 EG Ass. Gov.</b>	Judy van der Vlugt

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## **EVENT CALENDAR**

- JUL 02: Meeting**
- JUL 07: RC BAIRNSDALE  
2019/20 CHANGEOVER**  
B'dale Golf & Bowls Club
- JUL 09: NO MEETING**
- JUL 16: Meeting**
- JUL 23: Meeting**
- JUL 30: Board Meeting**
- AUG 04: D9820 DG VISIT**  
EG Cluster Clubs Meeting
- AUG 06: NO MEETING**

To attend the Changeover function of the



Patricia Murray-Walton commences her role as  
President for 2019-2020

on

**Sunday 7 July 2019**

at

**Bairnsdale Golf & Bowls Club**  
1066 Paymanville Road, Eagle Point, Vic 3878

**Cost \$40.00 per head - drinks at bar prices**

12.00 pm for 12.30 pm

RSVP 30 June 2019

Patricia Murray-Walton - 0487 117 600 or E-mail [pmmurray@bigpond.com](mailto:pmmurray@bigpond.com)



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## A FINAL WORD FROM OUR PRESIDENT

As president I am very pleased in the way our club has been operating and each week are moving forward in terms of fund raising and club social logistics.

In the last twelve months I have focused on making our rotary club happy and healthy place to be. I think it's very important when members and visitors come to our club are made to feel happy and wanted.

I have tried to encourage a welcoming atmosphere as a happy club leads to bigger, better outcomes and people enjoy being at Rotary meetings. This healthy atmosphere rubs off on to those who are not members of our club. Three new members in the last two months reflect this. It's important that we don't take it for granted as increased membership of our club is critical in the long run.

If you make people feel inclusive, they respond in a positive way. A positive healthy club environment has major flow on effects to all other aspects of club functioning. Personality management behind the scenes is also very important.

As a club, being very transparent in what we do is another strong point which is helping our club to attract new donations. The transparency of our club is second to none. Great work by our team

Other areas I have concentrated on is to be as flexible as possible with the day by day running of the club. If a member has an idea and I think it would work, I ran with the idea. To date this has worked really well and the striking example of this achievement is how well the Farmers Relief committee has functioned. The way this group of Rotarians has gone about it's tasks is brilliant, without stepping on each others toes.

In the current drought conditions, our Farmers Relief project is the one project I'm immensely proud for our club to be spearheading. Pasture growth is very slow as a response to colder conditions being experienced and a lot more rain is required. There is zero sub soil moisture in the soil profile and the general rule of thumb is that to fill the profile it needs 100mls of rain to fall over a couple of days, then good follow up rains.



RC Bairnsdale's past, present & future



Receiving an award on behalf of RC Bairnsdale from DG Janne Speirs



Tony at his conference best, networking with local and multiple District Clubs



BBQ'ing with the boys!







2017/18



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2018/19

Livestock need lots of good quality clean water to do well. Dams have not been replenished for well over two years. We have a long way to go before this drought can be declared over.

This year I have spent a lot more time on trying to attract new members to our club and we have had success doing this. The rate of new members joining the club shows that the club must be doing the right things.

I am nearing the end of my presidency and I thank all of you for the support all of you have given.



Tony showing his fun side



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leaving our club in better condition than when I first took it over.

I thank the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale greatly for having faith in me to be president. It took me twelve months to really pick up the tempo of running the club. Two term presidents have a lot of merit going for them.

I wish President Elect Patricia all the best for the coming year and thank you to the members of our club that gave me the inspiration to serve Rotary in a very enjoyable way.

**Tony Murray**



FARMERS RELIEF



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# Rotary

## Club of Bairnsdale



### FROM THE BOARD

Last week we had a very enthusiastic Tim. This was the last meeting to be presided over by President Tony, but he assured us that he has enjoyed the last two years and we congratulated him on completing two successful terms of office.

### MEMBERSHIP

At long last Michell W has taken the plunge and will be inducted this Tuesday when she will make a welcome addition to our club, as well as Rod, who was introduced by John Crawford.

### BOWEL SCAN KITS

All unused kits have been collected from the pharmacies and credits issued, John B reported that we have not sold as many as in previous years as the government is issuing more free kits, to a larger age group. Unfortunately we now have some unused kits that are out of date so we will have to see what happens there, John tried to ensure that all those kits were sold first but it was not 100% successful.

### DG VISIT

This year DG Adrian is holding a joint meeting with all clubs, on Sunday 4 August, lunch time, at the Bellevue Hotel, Lakes Entrance. It makes sense to talk to all five clubs at the same time instead of making separate visits and deliver the same speech. More details will be passed on as we receive them.

### CHANGEOVER

All planning is going well and if you have not RSVP to Patricia then please do so as final numbers have to be confirmed with the Bairnsdale Golf Bowls Club ASAP. Payment can be made online to our **Admin Account BSB 633-000 Account 165960436**. It was agreed to invite members of our marquee erection team, who are not members of our club at no cost to them. See you all there

Reports are required for the Annual Report, as previously advised the deadline is 30.6.2019 so that it can be put together and printed.

### GENERAL

Bonnie informed us that a past YEP student Annette, who visited us a couple of years ago, advised that her husband had passed away. I am sure that members who remember Annette would like to send their condolences.

### FARMERS RELIEF MASONIC SUPPORT



Paul Brennand, the District Coordinator for Freemasons Victoria presenting a cheque for \$600 for the Farmers Relief project to Rex Estoppey and Tony Murray.

Their support for local farmers through Farmers Relief is welcome.

### MEMBER UPDATE

John C informed members that Ian is not travelling too well and as at Tuesday is staying in the Paynesville Aged Care facility.

He encouraged members to call in and visit room 36, as Ian would love to see as many Rotarians as possible.

Ian joined our club in 1974 so that is a whopping 45 years of service to the community. We all wish Ian the best and can't wait to have him back at meetings with his sharp wit and one liners that never cease to amuse.



### Welcome & Door Roster

**July:** You know who you are!

### Marquee Erection Dates

**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 Lakes Entrance Central Hotel

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



#### RC Bairnsdale Sunrise Bairnsdale International Hotel

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



#### RC Orbost Orbost Club

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