# Rotary 🕧 Club of Bairnsdale





The prevailing message I have expressed for the last month has been "Think outside the box".

All Rotarians are aware these are unprecedented times and will be with us well into 2021 and beyond. We may never go completely back to the way we have lived and served through Rotary prior to COVID-19.

With this in mind I would like to amend my message slightly to "Don't think outside the box, THINK LIKE THERE IS NO BOX"

Covid-19 has not constrained us in how we can serve our community, but opened opportunities that did not exist before.

Yours in Rotary, **Martin van Elst** 



# COVID-19

Be advised that with face masks now mandatory, and Stage 3 Restrictions in force, in person meetings have been CANCELLED.

ZOOM meetings will once again be held as a replacement, at 6:30pm on Tuesdays.

# **INDUCTIONS**

**Patricia Murray-Walton** 3 Years – 15 August 2017 (Joined RC Bracebridge, Canada 1990) (RC Bracebridge & Muskoka Lakes 2007) (RC Sale Central 2013)

30 Years in Rotary 1990-2020

# **EVENT CALENDAR**

AUG 04: PLANNING MEETING
ZOOM
Fundraising ideas and
Community Events.
AUG 11: ZOOM Meeting
AUG 18: BOARD MEETING
ZOOM
AUG 25: ZOOM Meeting
DG Mark Humphries visit
Recent VIC Government
Covid-19 announcement
may result in changes
SEP 01: ZOOM Meeting
SEP 08: ZOOM Meeting
SEP 15: ZOOM Meeting
SEP 22: ZOOM BOARD MEETING
SEP 29: Club Social Event

**Rotary Opens Opportunities** 

# **Tuesday Meetings**

Login before 6:30pm

**ZOOM Meeting** on a device in your home

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## CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES

Fees for 2020/21 are NOW DUE. You have received an invoice in the last month.
BSB: 633-000
ACC: 165960436 Use your name as a reference.
Cash & cheque accepted as always.
If you have any difficulties, please speak with Treasurer Michelle Y.

## **CLUB PROGRAM CONTACTS**

RC Bairnsdale Farmers ReliefGillian ReeveCo-ordinator0411 432 522bairnsdale.rotary@gmail.com

East Gippsland Rotary Fire AidMartin van ElstClub Representative0450 921 756vanelst.rotary@gmail.com

Golf and Bowls Charity Day Rex Estoppey Ge

Geoff Johnston

Donations are very welcome to; Rotary Club of Bairnsdale Projects Acct BSB: 633-000 ACCT: 165960451 REF: Farmer Relief (or name of Club Project)

# BIRTHDAYS Roy Rooney – 05 August



The big activity of the last few weeks was on July 17<sup>th</sup>, Phase 1 – Buchan of EGRFA's Revegetation Project.

Revegetation is needed in all areas that were burnt out, providing windbreaks and protection against erosion.



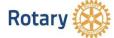
Tube Stock and seedlings before planting. All were pre-organised by the residents.

Direct Deposit to: East Gippsland Rotary Fire Aid BSB: 633-000 A/C: 165960451 Use the reference 'Fire Aid'

Organised by Peter Sindrey, our club was able to provide 3 volunteers in Cec Estoppey, Rhonda Wheeldon and Ula Sheather with a 4<sup>th</sup> volunteer unable to squeeze under the government limit of 10 persons. A wonderful day where the weather held but with rain soaked soil.



Jeff Wilson (President RC Lakes Entrance), Rhonda Wheeldon, Cec Estoppey, Ula Sheather & local resident.





Peter Sindrey (Lakes Entrance) Chair Michelle Young (Bairnsdale) Treasurer Robyn Counihan (Sunrise) Secretary John Fallon (Sunrise) Bernie Farquhar (Mitchell River) Don Osbourne (Orbost) Martin van Elst (Bairnsdale)





FROM THE BOARD

This Board Meeting was far shorter than the last one but with plenty of important topics still covered.

Almost a full room with only last minute withdrawals being apologies.

#### MEETINGS

President Martin has been mentioning that in-person meetings may need to revert to ZOOM meetings and that moment has indeed come.

Stage 3 Restrictions in Regional Victoria from Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August does mean that visiting each other socially is no more, but that does not mean that we can't stay connected.

ZOOM meetings are a way for us all to stay connected as a group and continue to serve our community.

#### **PUBLIC RELATIONS**

Articles are still going in the newspaper every week. Fun fact was Bonnie had managed to have a total of 3 pages written by her personally (with pictures).

#### YOUTH

Looks like we will have 3 students for NYSF. In addition to Leon Adams we will have 2 students from the Swifts Creek area who are applying to attend the National Youth Science Forum in January 2021.

Leon Adams is already preapproved so fingers crossed for the Swifts Creek students.

#### **FARMERS RELIEF**

We are still pressing ahead with our Farmers Relief project with bales of hay and stock feed still going out to those who require it.

#### ADMINISTRATION

Membership Fees for 2020/21 have set and now due. Timely payment of these fees is appreciated.

Welcome Roster was set for August but with meetings now online, this role is no longer required. Thanks for putting your hand up Geoff!



RC Bairnsdale Sunrise Bairnsdale International Hotel Wednesday 6:45 for 7:00am

### RC Lakes Entrance Central Hotel 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 6:00 for 6:30pm



# ROTARY FACE MASKS FOR SALE



Members Cec and Rhonda have been busy over the past week making face masks. Not only will these masks provide protection, but they also make for a great fundraising activity for the club.

Masks are available in a variety of colours for purchase at \$10 each, so go ahead and place your order!



#### WELCOME ROSTER

AUGUST 04: Geoff J (Not Req.) AUGUST 11: Geoff J (Not Req.)



Promoting our Club and Projects 21 July 2020

With guest speakers few and far between since in-person meetings resumed, President Martin gave an impromptu talk on PR possibilities.

Martin explained the difference between various media mediums and what would be required for each to be as effective as possible.

High quality pictures in pixels and a focus on the subject whatever it may be, with the media medium in mind.

Pictures of the activity and the effect it has on the community/people is the most important aspect when promoting the club and its activities.

Last Bulletin Trivia Question Answer Geoff Johnston and his wife Lyn



#### MARQUEE ERECTIONS

NOVEMBER 2020: Bairnsdale MARCH 2021: Bairnsdale