

Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance

District 9820

Chartered 6th November 1959



ANNUAL REPORT

2018-2019







Membership of the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance at 30th June 2018

Abrecht, Bernard & Jenny Anketell, Mike & Louise Curnow, Rob & Joy Daniel, Bill & Anne (Honorary) Dunkley, Ian & Vivienne Ford, Dan & Dianne Goodluck, Mike & Bernadette Hurley, Bruce & Eileen Mackenzie, Lesley & Tony Marshall, Sandra & Tony (Honorary) Murphy, Tom & Pam Dobson Sindrey, Peter & Paula Yeats, Sandy & Irene Allen, Arthur & Dianne Beattie, Derryn Chester, Darren & Julie (Honorary) Dobson, Pam & Tom Murphy Ellis, Richard & Kim Fry, Michele Howlett, Chris & Kelly Irvine, Ross & Gloria McAlpine, Ken & Chris McGown, Graeme & June North, Jennifer & Geoff Wilson, Jeff & Sue

Current Membership of the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance at 30th June 2019

- Abrecht, Bernard & Jenny Anketell, Mike & Louise Curnow, Rob & Joy Daniel, Bill & Anne (Honorary) Ford, Dan & Dianne Goodluck, Mike & Bernadette Hurley, Bruce & Eileen Mackenzie, Lesley & Tony Marshall, Sandra & Tony (Honorary) Murphy, Pam & Tom Sindrey, Peter & Paula Yeats, Sandy & Irene
- Allen, Arthur & Dianne Beattie, Derryn Chester, Darren & Julie (Honorary) Dunkley, Ian & Vivienne Fry, Michele Howlett, Chris & Kelly Irvine, Ross & Gloria McAlpine, Ken & Chris McGown, Graeme & June Murphy, Tom & Pam Wilson, Jeff & Sue

Note: Second name listed is the partner of the member.



Past Presidents of our Club

1959-60	Jack Vining (D)	1989-90	Dick Bardwell (D)
1960-61	Jack Palmer (D)	1990-91	Stewart Marsh
1961-62	Jack Kilby (D)	1991-92	David Jennings (D)
1962-63	Ron Williams (D)	1992-93	Terry Barling (D)
1963-64	Roy Kent (D)	1993-94	Sandy Kee (D)
1964-65	Harold Broome (D)	1994-95	Barrie Peel
1965-66	Jack Peel (D)	1995-96	Dan Ford
1966-67	George Peel (D)	1996-97	Fred Albrecht
1967-68	John Warn (D)	1997-98	Henrie Ellis
1968-69	Clyde Sykes (D)	1998-99	Sandra Marshall
1969-70	Alan Gamble/Jack Peel (D)	1999-2000	Ron Poke
1970-71	Jim Davis (D)	2000-01	Mary Fincham
1971-72	Leigh Robinson	2001-02	Graeme Loukes
1972-73	Harold Harwood (D)	2002-03	Barrie Peel
1973-74	Lionel Byles	2003-04	Mike Goodluck
1974-75	Lex Bromley	2004-05	Rob Curnow
1975-76	Bert Mortimer (D)	2005-06	John Griffith
1976-77	Geoff Ireland/Harold Harwood (D)	2006-07	Lois Hateley
1977-78	Frank Neaves (D)	2007-08	John Munns
1978-79	Lance Newman (D)	2008-09	Dick Ellis
1979-80	Bill Tucker (D)	2009-10	Rick Watts (D)
1980-81	Glynn Timmins (D)	2010-11	Mike Goodluck
1981-82	Les McGregor (D)	2011-12	Jeff Wilson
1982-83	Bernie Ryan (D)	2012-13	Dan Hession
1983-84	Bob Lucas	2013-14	Arthur Allen
1984-85	Mike Anketell	2014-15	Lesley Mackenzie
1985-86	Peter Robinson	2015-16	Louise Allen
1986-87	lan Farmer	2016-17	Bruce Hurley
1987-88	Colin Bull (D)	2017-18	Peter Sindrey
1988-89	Jim Grimshaw (D)	2018-19	Peter Sindrey

Paul Harris Fellows

Roy Kent	Charles Phillips	Harold Harwood	Clyde Sykes
John Warn Lance Newman		Dick Bardwell	Bob Lucas
Tom Allen	Sandy Kee	Peter Robinson	Dan Ford
Mike Anketell	Barrie Peel	Mike Goodluck	Rob Curnow
Lois Hateley	Sandra Marshall	John Griffith	Graeme McGown
John Savage	Wendy McKean	Jeff Wilson	Arthur Allen
Lesley Mackenzie	Bruce Hurley		

Friends of Rotary

Maureen Livingstone	Shirley Bardwell	Gwen Newman	Lois Hateley	Nina Petrie
Shirley Harris	Chris Harris	Paula Sindrey	Shirley Brauze	Linda Sherring
Eileen Hurley	Ted Hare	Ron Swann	Vivienne Dunkley	John Butler-Cole
Rosemary de Villiers				



Outgoing Officeholders 2018-2019

President:	Peter Sindrey
Immediate Past President:	Peter Sindrey
President Elect:	Lesley Mackenzie
Secretary:	Jeff Wilson
Assistant Secretary:	Chris Howlett
Treasurer:	Ian Dunkley
Rotary Foundation:	Bruce Hurley
Youth Projects:	Michele Fry
Protection Officer / Member Liaison:	Lesley Mackenzie
Program:	Bruce Hurley
Sergeant at Arms:	Rob Curnow
Board Member:	Arthur Allen
Property Officer and Assistant Treasurer:	Derryn Beattie



Incoming Officeholders 2019-2020

President:	Lesley MacKenzie
Immediate Past President:	Peter Sindrey
President Elect:	Jeff Wilson
Secretary:	Sandy Yeats
Treasurer:	lan Dunkley
Rotary Foundation:	Bruce Hurley
Youth Projects:	Jeff Wilson
Protection Officer / Member Liaison:	Lesley Mackenzie
Program:	Arthur Allen
Sergeant at Arms:	Graeme McGown
Board Member:	Rob Curnow
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President's Report

I present this report to mark the end of another successful year for our Club.

To the Board and all the members of this terrific Club, I express my gratitude for the achievements we have made. There are many recipients who have received our support over the last year, whether by our cheque book or by our labour; some live in the local area and some live in distant countries and in locations that we will never visit. On their behalf I say to you all a simple thank you.



Last July I spoke about the direction of the Club for the year. I said I wanted to continue to encourage our Club to address three aspects of service, with my emphasis being that I am a great believer in the concept of 'the power of numbers'. The most pleasing example is the recent submission for a Rotary District grant, for a joint initiative by four Clubs in our Cluster to construct an additional facility at the new Hope Restart Centre.

Other sections of this report will address specific achievements in more detail, and I am delighted that, again, our Club has made its mark in:

- Local relationships throughout the community of Lakes Entrance.
- Expanding our involvement with the youth in our local area.
- Developing firmer relations with other Rotary Clubs, in particular with those Clubs within the East Gippsland Cluster.

Our continued success in fundraising has also enabled us to maintain our keen interest in international activities, and support of projects in developing countries. Details are contained later in this report.

I am disappointed that we continue to find it hard to recruit more members to our Club. Our numbers of fully inducted Rotarians have reduced slightly over the last twelve months, although we have gained more 'Friends of Rotary' and I believe the potential exists for even more.

Great efforts are underway throughout Rotary world-wide, to come up with solutions to the problem of declining memberships – an issue experienced by many voluntary organisations. Personally, I am not sure that a 'one size fits all' solution is appropriate, because of the specific demographics and challenges facing each location. But I am certain that we need to continue trialling various solutions that will meet the requirements of each area so that the world can continue to benefit from the existence of Rotary.

In any case, I am more than satisfied that we are doing our small part as Lakes Entrance Rotarians and further pages of this report will present details of some of our experiences during 2018/2019. Our social activities continue to provide great enjoyment to all members, as well our partners and friends. Our fishing weekend, progressive dinners, football nights and many other social occasions are always great fun.

Again, this year we have continued to maintain and grow our relations with other organisations such as the Lions Club, Surf Lifesaving, the CFA and the guys at the Men's Shed. Other sections of this report will document in more detail our 'leisure' activities and, no doubt, they will continue in the year ahead.

To sum up, I offer my thanks to our wonderful Club members for allowing me to serve during the two years of my Presidency. For us all it has been two years of great fellowship, lots of hard work and heaps of fun.

Finally, I offer my congratulations to Lesley as she commences her year as President, knowing that her dedication, experience and love of Rotary will guarantee another successful year for our Club.

Thank you

Peter Sindrey



Treasurer's Report	2018 - 2019
Account balances as at 1st (taking into account disbursem	
Project Account	\$14,652.00
General Account	\$4,217.20
Term Deposit	\$53,833.66
Special Projects Account	\$3,000.00
TOTAL	<u>\$75,702.86</u>



Major Fundraising Events 2018-2019

\$1,600
\$514
\$2,150
\$5 <i>,</i> 852
\$10,188
\$5,000

Approved Disbursements

LEADA NYE Fireworks contribution	\$3,000	
Farmers Drought Relief	\$1,000	
LE Secondary College donation	\$500	
LE & Orbost Secondary College Debate	\$600	
Sub-total		\$5,100
Surf Life Saving Club donation	\$1,000	
Combined Churches Emergency Fund	\$500	
CFA donation	\$500	
Coast Guard donation	\$500	
Centenary House donation	\$2,000	
The Hope Project contribution	\$3,000	
Tabitha House Cambodia donation	\$3,000	
D.I.K. donation	\$800	
Wheelchairs for Kids donation	\$800	
International Disaster Aid	\$800	
SkyJuice donation	\$800	
Rotarians Against Malaria	\$500	
Rotary Polio Eradication contribution	\$800	
Sub-total		\$15,000
Rotary Foundation	\$1,508	
Meetings & Centurions		
Sub-total		\$1,508
TOTAL		\$21,608

Note:

- (1) \$2,000 held over as contingency for incomplete projects
- (2) \$7,500 held over to enable Club operations during the early months of 2019/2020.

International Activities

This report parallels that produced for our Club last year. One of Rotary's core functions is to support international projects that help disadvantaged communities in developing countries. It is what puts Rotary International on the map.

Rotary set up the Rotary Foundation 100 years ago to assist this central goal. Since that time, Rotary has spearheaded some wonderful projects, including the fight to eradicate polio. It has a well-earned reputation, world-wide, of being one of the most effective international charities.



This year our Club has donated over \$9,000 for international activities. Some of these donations are contributed through the Rotary Foundation, while others are made directly to worthy causes such as:

- Donations in Kind
- Wheelchairs for Kids
- Eradication of Polio
- Eradication of Malaria
- Emergency Relief and Disaster Funds
- Skyjuice, which provides water filters for developing countries.

As part of our commitment to international activities, and for several years, our Club has provided financial support for the Tabitha Foundation and its Cambodian House Building projects. Rotarians, including residents from Lakes Entrance, visit Cambodia each year to work alongside locals to construct housing in poor rural villages. This year there are three Rotarians from our Club who are planning to travel to Cambodia to work on the Tabitha project.

Our club is proud of the support we have provided to international activities in developing countries. We look forward to continuing our efforts in this important avenue of service.



Melbourne Cup Eve Spectular November 2018

This report acknowledges the efforts by so many people to arrange and conduct our fundraiser event last November on the eve of Melbourne Cup Day.

The event was an outstanding success with net profits in excess of \$10,000. We hosted a sell-out crowd with over 120 guests who enjoyed dinner, entertainment and the opportunity to win lots of prizes.



It is always unwise to start thanking individuals for the success of the night, for fear of missing some important contributors. However, there are three groups who stand out for special thanks:

- To Mike Goodluck and all the members of the organising committee we acknowledge the hard work over the many months it took to bring the night together.
- To the Club's major sponsors for 2018/2019 and all the businesses, organisations and individuals who donated goods and services to help with the actual fundraising

 we thank you for your assistance and generosity. Your contributions were a key to the Club achieving a wonderful financial result.
- To those Rotarians and the many guests who attended the event we are grateful for your support of our worthy causes and we are sure you all had lots of fun.

We received the best feedback possible with many of our guests saying they were keen to return next Melbourne Cup Eve.



Community Activities

We continue to develop strong ties within the Lakes Entrance community and with other Rotary Clubs in our Cluster. Activities within Lakes Entrance include:

 Our on-going financial support for the New Year's Eve fireworks display. We see our commitment to this event as important, particularly as our township has been declining in recent years and the influx of tourism for New Year's Eve brings much needed short-term prosperity to the whole community.





• Coordinating closer relations with other voluntary

community groups. We now meet regularly with the Lions Club and, most recently, we were able to arrange a joint meeting between Lions, Men's Shed and Rotary to hear a safety presentation by the Captain of Lakes CFA.

- The keen interest by our members in the development of Lakes Entrance has resulted in invitations to the Shire Council to have representatives brief our Club, and Lions Club members, on current and future activities. Such events help us in our own considerations, when the Board is discussing possible contributions towards local improvements.
- Each year, hosting young trainee doctors working to gain rural medical experience at Lakes Entrance under the John Flynn Placement Program.
- Managing the Rotary Bowelscan program in our town, including product distribution and sponsoring publicity of this vital initiative.

In this section of the Report we need to acknowledge our gratitude for the hard work by Club members to raise funds in Lakes, for us to have the ability to contribute to so many worthy causes. Activities like:

- The Cup Eve fundraiser a major source of Club funds this year;
- Sales of NYE glow products;
- Raffle ticket sales for the annual car raffle;
- The weekly Saturday night raffles at the Community Club, held from early November to late January.

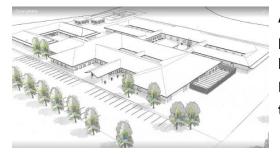
These activities all provide much-needed opportunities to receive funds donated by the community, and visitors to the area. We appreciate the monies, but we also appreciate the efforts of those Club members who donate their time in the interests of Rotary.

In short, we say thank you to you all.

For activities beyond Lakes Entrance, we strive to develop closer relations with the 4 other Rotary Clubs in our Cluster.

We regularly hold reciprocal visits between Orbost and our own Club and our relations with all three Bairnsdale Clubs is growing rapidly.

Another important activity this year has been progress to construct the Hope Restart Centre, a live-in rehabilitation facility currently being built in the eastern outskirts of Bairnsdale. This facility had been in the making for some time, until both the Federal and State Governments committed funds for construction and operation. The Centre will accept its first patients in the next few months.



All five Rotary Clubs in our Cluster consider this project as being vital to the community and all five have been donating funds for some years. However, it took the injection of Government funds to kick-start construction.

This year, in consultation with the management of Hope, a concept was developed whereby a number of our Rotary Clubs would jointly provide funds and jointly seek a District Grant. The purpose would be to build an auxiliary outdoor structure on site, as a location for use by staff and patients during rehabilitation sessions.

We await the result of our bid for a District Grant. However, the development of this 'Cluster' bid for funds has drawn our Clubs closer and it is hoped that this process will become a precedent for joint Grant applications by all five Clubs in our East Gippsland area.

Our Club is delighted to see rapid progress with construction at the Hope Centre and we foresee more involvement at the Centre in the future.

In this report our Club acknowledges the huge support and work undertaken by both the Bairnsdale Rotary Club and the Orbost Rotary Club to deliver much needed help to those suffering from the effects of the prolonged drought in the East Gippsland area.



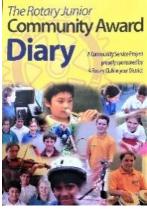
Our Club has made a small contribution to help, but the extent of our support pales compared to the work of these two Rotary Clubs – a fantastic effort which needs to be applauded.

Youth Activities

The Club's involvement with the younger generation in our community continues to grow.

We have maintained our heavy commitment to the Rotary Junior Community Award program. The 2018 Graduation Ceremony saw over 200 people witness 43 students from 6 local schools collect their awards. In 2019 we recruited 60 students for our current program.







This year we also took over the responsibility for collecting and delivering donated food supplies from the Second Bite organisation. Regular truck deliveries arrive from Melbourne at the Neighbour House, Bairnsdale and our Club collects large crates of food and transports them to Lakes Primary School where items are distributed to students in need.

At Secondary School (College) level, we continue to enjoy the annual debating challenge between Lakes Entrance and Orbost. Our two Rotary Clubs contribute to the work, the costs and the prizemoney for these events and we both provide the encouragement to these groups of fine students.



The annual Deb Ball at the Lakes College continues as a firm fixture in the local calendar. Rotary and the Lakes Entrance Secondary College work together for the benefit of the younger members of the community. Rotary supplies strong support in the preparation and delivery of the event, including providing financial backing in the years when it is necessary.



We remain available to provide help to College student fundraising efforts, by assisting with advice, planning and financial backing. Events such as BBQs and car washes, conducted by students and aided by Rotary, are examples where students can create their own funds in support of their own objectives.



Other community groups at Lakes Entrance also provide tremendous support to the youth in our town. One outstanding example is the Surf Life Saving Club, which boosts over 300 members, many of which are youth. Rotary has donated funds to this Club over many years and a fundraiser was held this year, with profits going to a variety of causes, including the Life Saving Club.

In summary, our involvement with the younger generation continues to be rewarding for both Rotarians and youth.

Social Activities

A hard-working group like the members of the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance need time to relax and enjoy each other's company – right? Well, our Club excels in many things, including relaxing, laughing, chatting, joking and generally having fun.

The fellowship enjoyed in our Club occurs from week to week, every week. But there are occasions when we relax and laugh just a little more than usual.

Many of these occasions are captured in photographs included at the end of this report:

- Our famed grand final football nights, to celebrate the AFL Grand Final.
- Fishing weekends at Bemm River every November, where lots of reputations are won, and lost, in the fishing boats and at the snooker table.
- Sporting challenges between the Lions Club, the Men's Shed and our own outstanding sportsmen and sportswomen.
- Our Christmas parties at the Wyanga Winery, a time to hear the wonderful sounds of those who can sing and play their music for us.
- And our progressive dinners, guaranteed to be enjoyed by all.

Look at the photographs at the end of this report to be impressed by the breadth and extent of our social activities.

All in all, the Rotary Club of Lakes Entrance has it all!









	RUTARY	PROGRAM 2018 / 2019
2018	4 JUL	Club Assembly – Review Calcutta Arrangements
	11 JUL	CHANGEOVER FUNCTION (Central Hotel)
	18 JUL	Member Behind the Badge – Mike Goodluck
	25 JUL	Guest – Kate Nelson – EGSC Adaption Study
****	1 AUG	District Governor's visit (Janne Speirs)
	8 AUG	Guest – Kris Cordery – Surf Life Saving Club
	11 AUG	Deb Ball (Lakes Entrance Secondary College)
	15 AUG	Member Behind the Badge – Derryn Beattie
	22 AUG	Guest – Catherine Larkins – Address to UN
	29 AUG	Restaurant Visit – Albert & Co.
****	5 SEP	Guest – Toni Redshaw – Bairnsdale Police
	12 SEP	School Debate Practice
	19 SEP	Lakes v's Orbost School Debate
	26 SEP	Footy & Games' Night at Wyanga Winery
****	3 OCT	South American Adventures – Bruce Hurley
	10 OCT	Rotary / Lions – Men's Shed BBQ & Safety Presentation
	17 OCT	Guest – Adelaide McPherson – Combined Churches
	24 OCT	Guest – Chris Tipo – Gippsland Lakes Community Health
	27 OCT	District Polio Fundraiser
****	5 NOV	Melbourne Cup Fundraiser
***	14 NOV	Club Assembly
	21-25 NOV	Bemm River Weekend
	28 NOV	Junior Rotary Awards (St Brendan's)
****	5 DEC	Stories of Alice – Graeme McGown & AGM
	12 DEC	Christmas Break Up (Wyanga Winery)
		Raffles continue 4 NOV to 27 JAN (Sports Club)
	31 DEC	NYE Fireworks (Glow products Stall at Foreshore)
2019	30 JAN	Progressive Dinner at Peter & Paula's home
****	6 FEB	Club Assembly – Discuss Lakes Entrance Issues
	15-17 FEB	District Conference weekend (Melbourne)
	27 FEB	Bowls Night with Lions & Men's Shed
	6 MAR	Guest – Parivesh (Physio) – Aging & Keeping Fit
****	13 MAR	Club Assembly
	20 MAR	Guest – Geoff Mahlook – Wyanga Winery
	27 MAR	Mini Golf with Lions & Men's Shed
****	3 APR	Member Behind the Badge – Ian Dunkley (Part 1)
	10 APR	Guest Speaker – Carol Crewe – Centenary House
	17 APR	Member Behind the Badge – Ian Dunkley (Part 2)
	24 APR	Restaurant Visit – Number One
****	8 MAY	Club Assembly
	15 MAY	Guest – Tim Bull - Kokoda
	23 MAY	Visit to Orbost Rotary
	29 MAY	Member Behind the Badge – Chris Howlett
****	5 JUN	Club Assembly - Plans for 2019 / 2020
	12 JUN	Bernard talks about the CFA
	19 JUN	Guest – Sarah Carlisle – Outdoor Adventures at Lakes
	23 JUN	District Changeover – Gumbuya Function Centre
	28 JUN	CHANGEOVER FUNCTION (Central Hotel)
		
****	****	Denotes Board Meeting prior to Club Meeting

ROTARY PROGRAM 2018 / 2019

Our Club acknowledges the generous support which continues to be offered by our eight major sponsors.

Their support is crucial to the continued viability of our Club and, as such, they form an important part of our life in Lakes Entrance. For these reasons our members support these sponsors and encourage others to do the same.



Local people supporting the community























































































