



Rotary
Lakes Entrance



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THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKES ENTRANCE

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GIPPSLAND REGIONAL COMMUNITY GROUP LEADER: BILL DEGNAN

CLUB PRESIDENT: BERNARD ABRECHT

PAST PRESIDENT: SANDY YEATS

CLUB SECRETARY: PETER SINDREY

ASSISTANT SECRETARY: PETER MCCORMICK

CLUB TREASURER: JEFF WILSON

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS: KEN MCALPINE

ROTARY FOUNDATION: BRUCE HURLEY

PROGRAM COORDINATOR: SANDY YEATS

MEMBER LIAISON: LESLEY MACKENZIE

YOUTH SERVICES: JEFF WILSON

MEETINGS:

CENTRAL HOTEL
231 THE ESPLANADE
LAKES ENTRANCE
CLUB MEETINGS AT
5:30PM 2ND & 4TH
WEDNESDAY
EACH MONTH

CONTACTS:

MEETING ATTENDANCE: LESLEY MACKENZIE 0419 871 197
ENQUIRIES: BERNARD ABRECHT 0407 903 229

***IF YOU ARE ATTENDING A MEETING, YOU MUST ADVISE LESLEY
IN ADVANCE IN ORDER TO ALLOW SEATING ARRANGEMENTS.***

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PRESIDENT BERNARD'S BRIEFING

Welcome everyone to 2025 and a new year for our Club. I hope you all have had a good Christmas & New Year with friends, family and other special people in your lives.



This year starts off with our first Rotary meeting at the Esplanade Cafe on the 22 January at 6pm. Our guest speaker for the night is Judite from Timor Leste. She is our key coordinator on site for all our Rotary activities throughout Timor Leste and she will give us a short talk on her work. Judite is currently in East Gippsland meeting with local Clubs, and we look forward to having a good attendance for the night. And please remember to let Lesley know numbers by Monday 20th January for the Wednesday night meeting.

We have put together our own Club raffle, starting on the 25th of January, which is the Saturday of the long weekend. We have booked a stall outside ALDI for that day to be selling tickets, so we need people to help sell tickets on the day, and during the weeks following.

This year will be a raffle with one prize of a \$1,000 ALDI voucher, at \$2 a ticket. The annual car raffle was unable to be conducted this year, so we are arranging our own raffle. If this goes well, we will be looking at, perhaps, adding a 2nd and 3rd prize next year.

Speaking of raffles, our Saturday evening raffles at the Lakes Sports and Community Club continue to assist in our fund-raising efforts for the year. Each Saturday, from Melbourne Cup weekend to Australia Day weekend we sell tickets to patrons of this popular Club, locals and visitors – so we have only 3 to go for this season. We offer over 20 prizes each week, including meat packs and gifts from local retailers supporting our work. In particular, the Sports and Community Club itself provides a significant numbers of gift vouchers.

Our gratitude goes to the Club, our own Jeff Wilson for organising and coordinating the raffles each week, and for those Rotarians who come along to help sell tickets. It's a fun, and profitable evening with a great meal after for those who wish to enjoy.



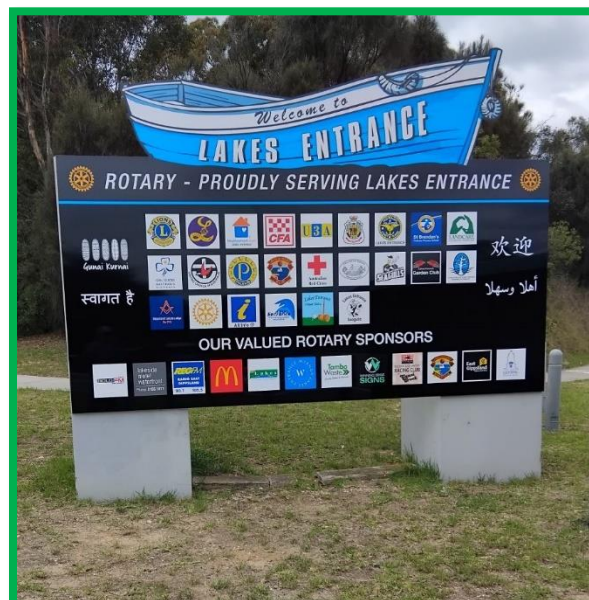
A WELCOME TO WINNING EDGE SIGNS



We welcome Winning Edge Signs as our newest major sponsor of our Club.

Steel and the staff at Winning Edge have worked closely with us recently to create our updated Welcome sign, which is receiving great compliments from township residents and tourists alike.

As a result of our close contact, Steel has proposed his company become a major sponsor of our Club and we are delighted to accept his offer, helping us with our work in the community.



OTHER LOCAL CLUB MEETINGS



Lakes Entrance RC	2 nd and 4 th Wednesdays of the month	5.30PM for 6:00 PM	Central Hotel Lakes Entrance
Bairnsdale RC	Tuesday	6PM for 6:15PM	Bairnsdale Club Nicholson St Bairnsdale
Mitchell River RC	Monday	5:45PM for 6:15PM	Bairnsdale Club Nicholson St Bairnsdale
Orbest RC	1st and 3 rd Wednesdays of the month	6PM for 6:30PM	Orbest Club Gladstone St Orbest
Bairnsdale Sunrise RC	Wednesday Mornings	6:45AM for 7AM	The Hub, 27 Dalmahoy Street Bairnsdale
Rotary eClub Latitude 38	Make contact on eclublattitude38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link	Make contact on eclublattitude38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link	Make contact on eclublattitude38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link

LOCAL CLUBS – PLANNED CHANGEOVER EVENTS

Mitchell River	10 – 13 June 2025
Bairnsdale	17 June 2025
Lakes Entrance	25 June 2025
Orbest	2 July 2025
Bairnsdale Sunrise	TBA
eClub	TBA

OUR CLUB PROGRAM

Date		Meeting Type	Venue	Program	Remarks
Jan	Wednesday 22 January	Club Assembly	Esplanade Cafe	Briefing by Judite from Timor Leste	

Can all members please ensure that they contact Lesley – 0419 871 197 – to confirm attendance, by lunchtime on the Monday before a scheduled meeting.



Total fire bans continue to be declared, as required by Fire Authorities, with the frequency expected to increase as the hot, dry weather continues.

A reminder that you are not permitted to burn off without a written permit, which must be in your possession. Anyone starting a fire within a fire danger period can be prosecuted and leave themselves open to fines of up to \$20,000 or 6 months in jail.

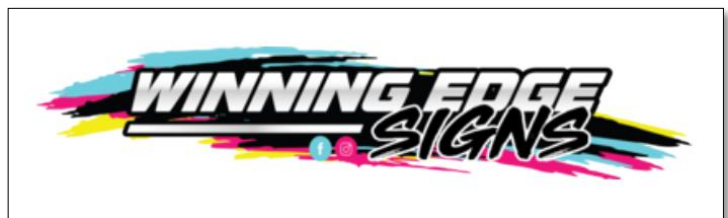


OUR CLUB SPONSORS

Our Club acknowledges the generous support, which continues to be offered by our eleven 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.



**Buchan & Gelantipy
Racing Club**



Lakes Entrance Bowls Club

