



**Rotary**  
Lakes Entrance



**CLUB No. 18406  
DISTRICT 9815  
CHARTERED 1959  
ABN 34 766 344 882**

## **THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKES ENTRANCE**

### **BULLETIN No.19 OF 2024/2025: 27 FEBRUARY 2025**

**PRESIDENT ROTARY INTERNATIONAL: STEPHANIE A. URCHICK**

**DISTRICT 9815 GOVERNOR: COLIN BYRON**

**DISTRICT 9815 GIPPSLAND REGIONAL GROUP**

**GIPPSLAND REGIONAL ASSISTANT GOVERNOR: 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 2<sup>ND</sup> & 4<sup>TH</sup>  
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**



**Hello All,**

**Thanks to everyone for coming to the Meeting this Wednesday night.**

**It was a very laid-back evening with Joy Curnow and Jenny Abrecht winning heads and tails but with no luck trying to find the joker.**

**Coming events are to start with:**

**The markets this Sunday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March.**

<b>8:00am – 10:00am</b>	<b>Peter McCormick and Rob Curnow</b>
<b>10:00am – 12:00pm</b>	<b>Bruce Hurley and Chris McAlpine</b>
<b>12:00pm – 2:00pm</b>	<b>Lesley Mackenzie and Bernard Abrecht</b>

**ALDI Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> of March**

<b>8:30am – 10:30am</b>	<b>Bruce Hurley and Rob Curnow</b>
<b>10:30am – 12:30pm</b>	<b>Lesley Mackenzie .... we need another helper</b>
<b>12:30pm – 2:30pm</b>	<b>Bernard Abrecht....we need another helper</b>

**On the 12<sup>th</sup> of March, we will have a Board Meeting. Our Club Meeting will include guests from other Clubs as well.**

**These guests will include the District Governor: Colin Byron, Gippsland Community Leader: Bill Degnan and the District Governor Elect: Peter Behm.**

**There is a set menu for the evening so:**

**PLEASE CONTACT LESLEY IF YOU ARE COMING BY THE 6<sup>th</sup> OF MARCH as we will need numbers early.**

**Thank you, Bernard.**

## CLUB RAFFLE UNDERWAY

Our Club raffle is well underway, with the first prize being a \$1,000 voucher, to be used at any Aldi store. Tickets are available for sale at \$2 each.

Our next stand will be set up at the Markets this Sunday the 2nd of March.

We will now hold a series of street-side raffles, including at Aldi, perhaps a stand at the next foreshore markets and maybe at other various commercial sites around the township.

If you have not received a book of your own tickets yet, just call Bernard and he will be happy to help.

We do need your support to help with sales of our tickets throughout the next two months. If you can help, please ring Bernard on 0407 903 229.



Wednesday Night Rotary (26 Feb 2025)





## **VISIT TO LAKES & OUR EAST GIPPSLAND CLUBS BY DISTRICT GOVERNOR – WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH**

We have spoken already about a visit to Lakes Entrance by our District Governor Colin Byron (and his wife Leanne), in company with Assistant Governor Bill Degnan (and his wife Judy). Also, we will be meeting District Governor Nominee Emma Clark on her first visit to East Gippsland Clubs. Arrangements have now been finalised for the visit to take place at the Central Hotel, commencing at 5:30PM on Wednesday 12 March.



The meeting will be open to members from all Rotary Clubs in East Gippsland, as it is a great opportunity to have all local Clubs join together to meet with Colin, Bill and Emma.

Invitations have been sent to the other Clubs in the area – Mitchell River, Bairnsdale, Bairnsdale Sunrise, Orbost, e Club – and we are hoping there will be a good representation attending.



We have arranged a set, one-course main dinner meal (alternate drops) at the cost of \$30 per attendee. Other courses and drinks are a matter for individuals.

We will need to have confirmed numbers by 6 March at the latest (for catering), so we ask that acceptances are advised to Lesley Mackenzie on 0419 871 197 – and also to let Lesley know about dietary requirements.

The Lakes Club has taken the initiative in coordinating this special meeting and we would be grateful to have a sizeable number of members attending to present our support.

## **HOME CARE PACKAGES WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH**



On 26 March we will receive a presentation from senior members from Gippsland Lakes Complete Health, on the subject of 'Home Care Packages'.

Members will find this event very informative as it will include details of the 'Support at Home' changes which will come into force on 1 July 2025.

Please set the date aside for joining the Club to hear the presentation.

## OTHER LOCAL CLUB MEETINGS



Lakes Entrance RC	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> 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
Orbost RC	1st and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of the month	6PM for 6:30PM	Orbost Club Gladstone St Orbost
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

## OUR CLUB PROGRAM

Date		Meeting Type	Venue	Program	Remarks
Mar	Wednesday 12th	Club & Cluster Meeting	Central Hotel	5:30PM Visit by DG Colin Byron & Leanne Community Leader Bill & Judy	See Bulletin
Mar	Wednesday 26th	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	5:30PM GLCH presentation on Home Care Packages	See Bulletin
Mar	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday 30th	District Conference	Bendigo	Annual District Conference	See Bulletin

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

# DISTRICT CONFERENCE 28/30 MARCH IN BENDIGO

**A reminder that full details of the District Conference are available on the District website – just google *District 9815 Conference 2025***



**SMILE**

- Just got attacked by 6 dwarves. Not Happy.
- A priest, a minister, and a rabbit walk into a blood bank. The rabbit says, “I believe that I am a type o.”
- You know, there’s a fine line between fishing and standing on the shore like an idiot.
- I’ll never forget my dad’s face when I gave him his 50th birthday card, tears in his eyes, as he said to me, ‘One would have done.’
- A father was washing his car with his son and the son asked, “Dad, can’t you just use a sponge?”
- A friend of mine is an agnostic, dyslexic insomniac. He stays up all night long wondering if there’s a dog.
- My dad used to always say, “You should fight fire with fire!” Which is probably why he got thrown out of the fire department.
- What did they give the guy that invented the door knocker? A No-bell prize.

# Fire Alert

## Fire Safety Around the House




In the event of major fire and flood emergencies, it may be necessary to open designated Assembly Areas where individuals can seek shelter. This map shows those for Lakes Entrance with one of two (2) specific sites to go to if needed, depending on the type of emergency.

Full details of Local Management Plans are contained on the East Gippsland Shire Council's website and members of the community should familiarise themselves with the information.

The East Gippsland Shire Council will open Assembly Areas, when necessary, a decision made in consultation with fire authorities.



**LOCAL INCIDENT  
MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**LAKES ENTRANCE**

**WHAT TO DO DURING A LOCAL INCIDENT: FIRE, FLOOD, STORM, ETC**

<b>GET READY NOW</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Develop a personal incident plan</li><li>Make sure vehicle has fuel</li><li>Pack an emergency kit</li><li>Prepare your house</li></ul>	<b>WHEN TO LEAVE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>When you hear an incident will impact your area</li><li>Close windows, doors, curtains, turn off gas and appliances</li><li>When advised by CFA, SES, DECCA, VicPolice, Radio</li><li>Notify family / friends when you leave</li><li><b>LEAVE EARLY</b></li></ul>	<b>STAY INFORMED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ABC Local AM – 720, 828 FM – 100.7, 103.5</li><li>ABC National 106.3 FM</li><li>REG FM – 105.5, 90.7</li><li>ORBOST – 57.1 FM</li><li>3TR – 99.9 FM</li><li>UHF CB – Channel 40</li><li>VicEmergency App (Free)</li></ul>	<b>YOUR ASSEMBLY AREA DOES NOT REPLACE YOUR PERSONAL PLAN AND DECISION TO LEAVE EARLY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assembly Areas offer no guarantee that emergency services will be present during an emergency</li><li>Assembly Areas may not prevent death or injury from fire, embers or radiant heat</li><li>Assembly Areas are a place to gain information</li><li>Assembly Areas are a place to support each other</li><li>Assembly Areas make people feel less isolated</li><li>Assembly Areas can be a place for Authorities to leave information and maps</li><li>Assembly Areas can be place for Authorities to meet with community</li></ul>	<b>ASSEMBLY AREAS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li><b>FIRE</b> LAKES ENTRANCE MECHANICS HALL 18 MECHANICS STREET, LAKES ENTRANCE</li><li><b>FLOOD</b> LAKES COMMUNITY CHURCH 125 PALMERS ROAD, LAKES ENTRANCE</li></ul> <p><b>THIS PLAN DOES NOT REPLACE YOUR PERSONAL/FAMILY EMERGENCY PLAN AND DECISION TO LEAVE EARLY</b></p> <p><b>SPECIAL ADVICE</b> DUE TO SIZE LIMITATIONS, PEOPLE ATTENDING MAY BE ADVISED TO TRAVEL TO OTHER LOCATIONS IN LAKES ENTRANCE</p>
<b>WHAT TO TAKE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Protective clothing including hat, long sleeve top and pants and sturdy footwear</li><li>Food and water</li><li>Phone and charger, radio</li><li>Prescriptions, medication and toiletries</li><li>Torch and batteries</li><li>Important documents, photos, insurance, USB sticks, etc</li><li>Pet needs</li></ul>	<b>WHAT TO EXPECT IN AN EMERGENCY</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Limited visibility</li><li>Limited access</li><li>Crowded at Assembly Area</li><li>Loss of power and phone communication</li></ul>	<b>CONTACTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Police, Fire, Ambulance 000</li><li>VicEmergency Hotline 1800 226 226</li><li>Bushfire Info Line (VBIL) 1800 240 667</li><li>Regional Roads Victoria 13 37 78</li><li>State Emergency Service 132 500</li></ul>	<b>STAY INFORMED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>VicEmergency (Information) <a href="http://www.emergency.vic.gov.au">www.emergency.vic.gov.au</a></li><li>Regional Roads Victoria (Traffic Information) <a href="http://www.regionalroads.vic.gov.au">www.regionalroads.vic.gov.au</a></li><li>ABC (News/alerts) <a href="http://www.abc.net.au/emergency">www.abc.net.au/emergency</a></li><li>East Gippsland Shire Council <a href="http://www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au">www.eastgippsland.vic.gov.au</a></li><li>Bureau of Meteorology (Weather) <a href="http://www.bom.gov.au">www.bom.gov.au</a></li></ul>	



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