



**Rotary**  
Lakes Entrance



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DISTRICT 9815  
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## THE ROTARY CLUB OF LAKES ENTRANCE

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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

We did not program for a guest speaker this week, preferring to have a Club Assembly where we could confirm rosters for those members assisting with the last of the raffle sales, attendance at the Makers Market at the Bairnsdale Racecourse, and the raffle draw itself on Easter Monday.

We would appreciate more help from members over the next few weeks. Please consider assisting, by contacting:

- Bernard, for raffle sales
- Sandy, for the Makers Market Day on Easter Saturday
- Lesley, for the raffle draw day on Easter Monday

## THE CLUB HAS BEEN BUSY

We have made an early start to our end-of-year disbursements. The Board approved some payments to worthy recipients and work is underway with the pleasant task of issuing payments.



President Bernard recently presented a donation to Bruce, as the Chair of the East Gippsland Friends of Timor Leste (EGFTL). These funds will be set aside into the dedicated account used to support our program of aid in this tiny, and newest, country.

Bernard presenting to Bruce in his role as Chair of the EGFTL

Members also paid a visit to Bairnsdale where the Rotary Club of Mitchell River was holding the annual fundraising breakfast in support of Centenary House. Tania Whitehead (Centenary House Manager) and officials from the House were present to receive our donation from Bernard. For many years we have strongly supported Centenary House as a wonderful facility for use by those being treated at the Latrobe Valley Hospital, particularly patients and their families who normally reside in East Gippsland.



Bernard presenting to Tania Whitehead Centenary House Manager

## CLUB RAFFLE – ONLY 11 DAYS TO GO

Our Club raffle this year is now almost over and many thanks to those who have worked hard to accumulate much-needed funds to help us in our Projects.

The raffle has been very popular for locals and visitors, with the first prize being a \$1,000 voucher, to be used at any Aldi store. Tickets are still available for sale at \$2 each.

Our final opportunity to sell tickets will be on Saturday 19 April, at the Mitchell River Rotary's Makers Market at the Bairnsdale Racecourse where we will manage the BBQ and sell raffle tickets.

Don't forget, for those holding raffle ticket books, please return the books and the money to Bernard promptly, so that our finances can be finalised and preparations for the draw can be completed.



**And, very importantly, on Easter Monday – Monday 21 April – we will hold a free BBQ at the U3A Hub (Lake Tyers Beach Road) from 11AM to 1PM.**

**At the BBQ, Darren Chester will draw the winning ticket for the raffle, and we would love to have a bunch of Rotarians, and friends, on site for the photograph of the raffle draw.**

**Please keep the date and time in mind to be there for the culmination of this important fundraising event.**



## **BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE SATURDAY 5 APRIL CANCELLED**

Our scheduled opportunity to manage the BBQ at Bunnings on Saturday 5 April was cancelled by Bunnings, at short notice, due to delays they experienced in the delivery of the new BBQ.

It was disappointing as we were all prepared for the day, and we do enjoy the profits for our Club.

Bunnings assure us that we will be on the list to run the BBQ again in the near future.



## **OTHER ROTARY 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 eclublature38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link	Make contact on eclublature38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link	Make contact on eclublature38@mail.com for the latest Zoom link



## **THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

"Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity. And I'm not sure about the universe." — Albert Einstein

## CLUSTER CHANGEOVER EVENTS

Our close friends at Rotary Clubs in East Gippsland are now planning Changeover events and a list of dates is attached.

Our Club will be inviting other Clubs in the Cluster to send representatives to our own Changeover and we will be seeking interest from our own members to attend other events as our representatives.

Mitchell River	16 June 2025
Bairnsdale	17 June 2025
Lakes Entrance	25 June 2025
Bairnsdale Sunrise	26 June 2025
Orbost	2 July 2025
eClub	TBA



### Fire Alert

Fire Safety Around the House



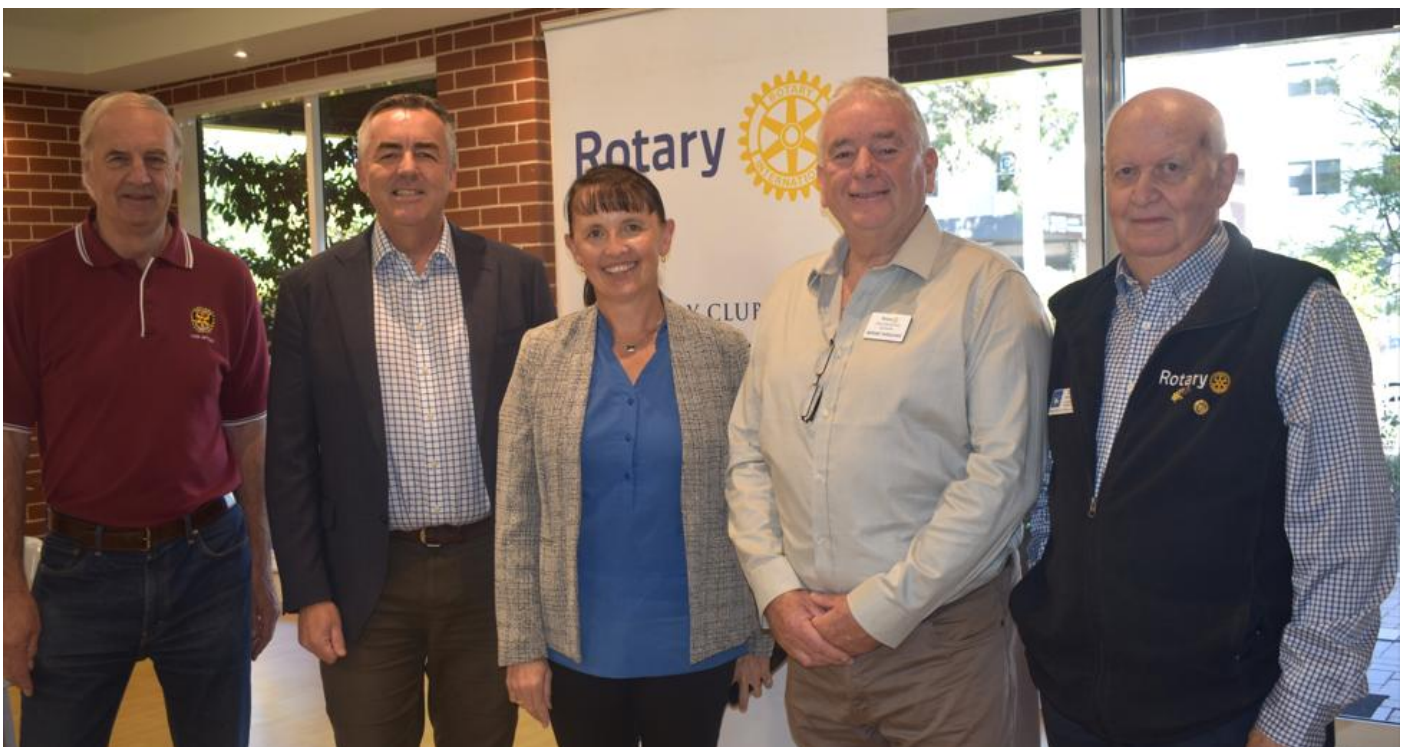
The end of daylight saving is a good way to remember it's time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors. Unless you have smoke detectors with long life batteries in them, the batteries need to be changed every 12 months. This goes for hard wired detectors as well as the straight battery ones. If you don't feel safe doing it, ask for help.

The batteries in the hard-wired ones are there for a power outage to make sure you still have a working smoke alarm during a blackout.

## OUR CLUB PROGRAM

Date		Meeting Type	Venue	Program	Remarks
Apr	Wednesday 9th	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	Club Assembly	
Apr	Saturday 19th	BBQ Makers Market	B'dale race track	Joint BBQ with RC Mitchell River (& sell raffles)	Easter Saturday
Apr	Monday 21 <sup>st</sup>	BBQ & Raffle Draw	U3A Hub Lakes Tyers Beach Road	11AM to 3PM Darren Chester to draw prizewinner	Easter Monday
Apr	Wednesday 23rd	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	Allison Triggs Community Police	
Apr	Friday 25th	ANZAC Day	Cenotaph	Wreath laying	
May	Wednesday 7th	Op Social	TBA	TBA	
May	Wednesday 14th	Board	Central Hotel	4:30PM	
May	Wednesday 14th	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	TBA	
May	Wednesday 28th	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	Esso removal of Bass Strait platforms	
Jun	Wednesday 4th	Social Op	TBA	TBA	
Jun	Wednesday 11th	Board Meeting	Central Hotel	4:30PM	
Jun	Wednesday 11th	Club Assembly	Central Hotel	TBA	
Jun	Wednesday 25th	Changeover	Central Hotel	New President & Board Induction	

## CENTENARY HOUSE FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST ST MARY'S, BAIRNSDALE – APRIL 2025





**ROTARY CLUB OF BAIRNSDALE SUNRISE  
FUNDRAISING EVENT**



The Rotary Club of Bairnsdale Sunrise  
invites you and your friends to a

# MASQUERADE

## WINTER GALA

June 21 2025 6pm - midnight

**CLUB EASTWOOD**

*117 Great Alpine Road, Lucknow*



*Music  
by  
The Jimmy's*

**TICKETS: \$150pp**  
(tables of 8)

**EARLY BIRD: \$120pp**  
(before 6 June)

contact: sms 0490 127 469 or  
e: [sunriserotarybikeed@gmail.com](mailto:sunriserotarybikeed@gmail.com)  
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**2 course meal**

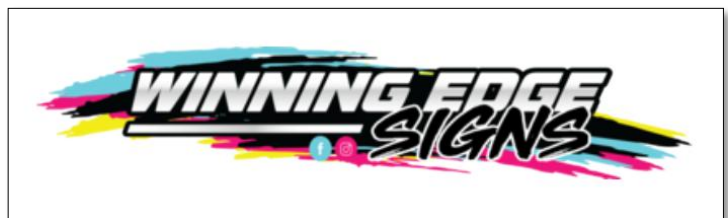
Featuring local produce  
and complimentary wines from  
Lightfoot Wines and Nicholson  
River Winery

## 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**

