

## IMPORTANT DATES

November is  
FOUNDATION MONTH

November 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup>

World Interact Week

November 11<sup>th</sup>

AGM & Foundation Seminar  
followed by Polio Fundraising  
Lunch @ Premier Function  
Centre, Traralgon

November 10<sup>th</sup>

United Nations "Rotary Day"

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Welcome to the October issue of the Journal! Just because things aren't busy enough with District Governor visits, we moved out of our house in Traralgon after ten years there and have moved back to our farm at Gormandale! Lots of freshening up to do on the house and also the rest of the renovations we didn't get done before - fun!!!

Anyway our new postal address is 218 Webbs Rd, Gormandale, 3873. Please note our landline is no longer operational so the best way to get in touch is our mobiles or email - all of which are the same as they were.

We've been having a great time with clubs as well as the pleasure of being involved alongside IPP Ian Riseley in the opening of the new Rosebud-Rye Warehouse. It was a great afternoon and is a credit to the work done by Club members.

It was also lovely to pop in to the special afternoon and BBQ at Buchan last weekend. This was a chance for some of the East Gippsland farmers being affected by drought to have some fun and get together. RC Bairnsdale has found themselves very much in the mix in this situation and are doing a great job.

Clubs are involved in some very varied and exciting projects and we are always glad to hear about them in the Journal! Please keep us posted as you have been already!

A very important date coming up is the 11th November. This will be our District Annual General Meeting, Foundation Seminar and the following on from that will be our Polio Fundraising lunch. All will take place at the Premier Function Centre in Grey St Traralgon with a 9.30 for 10.00 start - it's going to be a slightly different format so should be a really great day. On completion of the AGM there will be a short but very meaningful 'ceremony' preceding a minute's silence at 11.00. Please put this date in your diaries and help celebrate our District, our Organisation and the fight to defeat polio but through it all to remember those who have served over many years to maintain our freedom and way of life.

And of course please remember to register for conference if you haven't done so already! Last chance to win the prize is the end of October and then the early bird rate finishes at the end of November!! Rooms are also still available at great rates at the Travelodge Docklands so give thought to that as well. Golf details will be out soon but it will be a fantastic day at the Albert Park course on Friday 15th February.

Yours in Rotary,  
**Janne**

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### **SEPTEMBER CORRECTION**

It has been noted that there is an historical inaccuracy in the September JJ article about Royce Abbey. Royce was actually the 3rd Australian to be the President of Rotary International. Melbourne Rotarian Angus Mitchell and Queenslander Clem Renouf preceded him by 30 and 10 years respectively.

Many thanks to everyone who spotted this mistake. Hopefully this sets the record straight.

**A positive spin:** clearly there is a high level of engagement with Janne's Journal amongst Rotarians! Please continue to send through any feedback you may have.

# Joint Rotary Club Meeting *Viv Armstrong*



Marie Yap is an Associate Professor and Psychologist at Monash University. She is passionate about translating research evidence into resources that parents can access, to help promote their children's resilience and protect them from mental health and substance misuse problems. She has developed personalized online programmes to empower parents with evidence-based skills and strategies as part of her Parenting Strategies Program, with the aim of reducing the risk and impact of mental health conditions in children and young people. Marie was awarded the Australian Rotary Health Knowledge Dissemination Award for this work in 2013. She has also received two Australian Rotary Health Mental Health Grants to evaluate two of her online programmes; one from 2015-2017, and the second from 2018-2020. She is mum to an energetic 6-year-old and a 10-year-old turning 16.

## **Joint Rotary Club Meeting Details**

**Mount Eliza, Mornington and Mount Martha**

**Tuesday, 23rd October  
Brooklands, Tanti Avenue,  
Mornington  
6pm for 6.30pm  
Guests welcome.**

**Please note:**

**Mount Martha's meeting scheduled for Monday 22nd October has been cancelled**

## CONFERENCE UPDATE

### **Registrations are OPEN Multi-District Conference!**

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February

Head to <http://www.rotaryconference.org.au/> for more information and to reserve your tickets to this show-stopping event!

The multi-district conference is a first for Australia, and possibly for Rotary worldwide. The Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre will host all attendees and allowing for multiple ways to display projects from across Victoria and interact in an open and inviting atmosphere. Plus, its central location means that there is plenty of accommodation within walking distance (and a good coffee is always on hand!)

### **MULTI DISTRICT CONFERENCE**

**REGISTER BEFORE OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>**



**TO WIN FREE REGISTRATION &  
GALA DINNER FOR 2 PEOPLE  
PLUS ACCOMMODATION FOR  
TWO NIGHTS (UP TO \$500)**

***Additional Speakers Include...***

**Christine Nixon, Grant  
Hackett & Grace Forrest!**

**JOIN THE FIRST \*FOUR DISTRICT\* MULTI-DISTRICT CONFERENCE!**

# Bairnsdale Rotary Club Assisting Farmers

The day after celebrating 80 years of serving the community, the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale was contacted by the Rotary Club of Lilydale in the Yarra Valley. They had been given a donation of \$10,000.00 and wanted to assist the farmers in the Bairnsdale area. They acquired 100 bales of hay which they hoped to bring to Bairnsdale. After negotiations their end they managed to deliver the much needed bales to Bairnsdale, free of charge. (Gillian Reeve, RC of Bairnsdale)

Once stored securely in Bairnsdale the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale liaising with the Gippsland Farmers Relief Inc identified 10 farmers who needed the hay. Over a couple of weeks these bales have been picked up by very grateful farmers which hopefully will ease the situation for them. Once again with the help of local businesses.

As hay is in short supply around the state they were unable to use all of the \$10,000.00, so together with a personal donation, surplus funds have been passed on to the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale. Other donations from the club and private donors are now being used to supply vouchers to farmers as identified by the Gippsland Farmers Relief and co-ordinators in the Buchan area. Local businesses have come on board by agreeing to accept these vouchers which will be reimbursed by the Rotary Club.

The Rotary Club of Orbost are also part of a new community group that has been formed in their town called Standing by Farmers, which is committed in doing exactly that, supporting the farmers any way that they can.

Over the last few weeks a lot of focus has been on the plight of farmers in NSW and Queensland, with not much mentioned about this area, which is experiencing a "green drought". Although the paddocks look green there is no substance to the growth and the outlook is not promising. Rotary Australia is managing the monies raised through the Channel 9 appeal and all Rotarians know that this money will be distributed and used in the most beneficial way reaching the organisations and farmers most in need, but funds are needed here too.

The Rotary Club of Bairnsdale is now committed to helping the wonderful community that they are part of, so together with the other clubs in our area hope to make more of a difference.

The club has forged a relationship with the Gippsland Farmers Relief and will now help provide storage facilities for the food hampers that will be distributed to those who need them.

The generosity of businesses has been heart-warming as they do what they can to help the farmers, but as we know communities always come together in times of need. This will be an ongoing project of Rotary until the hard times have passed so any help would be gratefully received.

Thanks must go to the following businesses who have donated, time, trucks, machinery and manpower over the last few weeks.

Willaton Transport, Gippsland Truck Centre, Grinters Transport, Dyers Transport, Elders, Donalda Motors and Trevor Caithness

People ask why Rotary gets involved in these causes, it is just what they do. Service Above Self. The Rotary Club of Bairnsdale are proud to be part of this project.



Above: Rotarians Rex Estoppey and John Walker giving donated hay to grateful farmer.

## EYE ON IT Rotary D9820

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## CELEBRATE DIVERSITY

### 1<sup>st</sup> October

Simchat Torah

*Simchat Torah is a joyous event. The annual cycle of weekly Torah readings is completed at this time, which marks a period of great celebration. Special attention is given to children, who join the celebrations with flags and singing.*

### 19<sup>th</sup> October

Vijay Dashami (Dasera)  
*This Hindu festival marks the triumph of good over evil. The festival of Dasera concludes the festival of Navaratri, which extends over a number of days.*

### 24<sup>th</sup> October

Zambia's Independence Day

### 29<sup>th</sup> October

Turkey's National Day

**Anyone who would like to donate please contact:**

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**Direct Deposits can be made to:**

**Westpac BSB 033-203**

**Account No 790293.**

*\*Be assured that all monies received will go 100% to the farmers in our area\**





“Rotarians are very much more favorably disposed toward action than they are toward words.”

Paul P. Harris Rotary Club of Chicago, November 1912

## Johnno's Opp Shop Donate Money For Farmers

Gillian Reeve, RC of Bairnsdale

On Friday the committee of the Johnno's Opp Shop Bairnsdale handed a cheque for \$15,000.00 to the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale which will be used to assist the farmers in our area. The committee had agreed that these monies, which comes from profit from the Opp Shop, be used for the community in our area. The Farmers Relief Committee of the Rotary Club of Bairnsdale, were delighted to receive such a generous donations and have assured the Johnno's members that 100% of all funds will go to the farmers.



Left to Right – Bonnie Walker (Public Relations Rotary Club of Bairnsdale), Gillian Reeve (Secretary Rotary Club of Bairnsdale), Rex Estoppey (Farmers Relief committee member), Tony Murray (President Rotary Club of Bairnsdale), Barry Sutton (Johnno's Committee), Brenda Burney (St Johns Parish Rector), Peggie Arthur (Secretary Johnno's Committee), Linette Gas (Johnno's Shop Co-Ordinator)

**WE WILL...**  
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**RO(TARY) YOU!**

There are a number of movie sessions local to your area – please check out your club's bulletins for more info!

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**BOHEMIAN RHAPSODY**

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THAN THEIR MUSIC IS HIS STORY

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