Tony Gibb - Gibb Bros Farming



Tony and Nick Gibb, the principals of Gibb Bros Farming, run a vegetable farming business with bases in the Fassifern Valley, and the Darling Downs. The boys grew up on the land in the Stanthorpe area, and their operation is the third successful generation of the family of farmers to have worked the land in South-East Queensland.

Gibb Bros Farming takes advantage of owning fertile farming land in two regions by using the climatic differences, and a lot of ingenuity and expertise. The brothers have a reputation for producing a consistent supply of quality produce throughout the year from 220 acres at Peak Crossing, where Tony has been based since 1993, and the 500 acres at Harrisville, which is balanced by 400 acres in the Darling Downs, near Toowoomba.

The brothers primarily grow varieties of lettuce and cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower, celery, silverbeet, pak choy and kale. The two areas have very different climates, in the hot summer months, the Gibb Bros wind down their farm at Peak Crossing and focus on growing in Toowoomba, while in the cooler months, their farm in the Scenic Rim is in full swing.





Keir Tierney

Keir is a community ambassador for nbn[™] based in Rosewood, and spends a lot of his time visiting community groups, informing everyone about the nbn[™] and how the switch to nbn[™] can affect you. The nbn[™] is a Government business enterprise that have approved contractors, phone and internet providers. The nbn[™] access network is



Australia's new landline phone and internet network which is designed to give you access to fast phone and internet services that will replace most existing landline phone and internet services when they are disconnected. There are some steps you can take beforehand:

- Check your address online at <u>www.nbnco.com.au</u> to confirm nbn[™] availability at your address or if you have a deadline of when you might have to switch
- Contact your phone and internet provider and ask about what plans might suit you, if they charge any additional installation fees and if you can keep your current phone number.
- Choose a plan that suits you not one your provider chooses for you. When choosing your plan consider how much you use your internet and phone and what you use it for,
 - and how much data and speed you will need and whether you still need a home phone.
- Be aware of *Scammers* that may contact you, do not let anyone have remote access to your computer, be aware of fake accounts they may get you to sign.
- nbn[™] access network involves new technologies which some existing devices may not be compatible with such as Medical alarms, autodiallers or emergency call buttons. Contact your device provider to find out if your alarm or device will work when connected to the nbn[™] access network, and what alternative solutions are available.
- **nbn**TM <u>will not</u> contact you
- nbn[™] have approved technicians which will all have an approved I.D.



Keir Tierney & RCFV member Jill Surawski



Presidents Report

Well another month of the year gone – cannot believe we are in October already. This month we have a few things to keep us



busy, one of the major events for this month is a combined Trivia Night with the Rotary Clubs of Boonah, Beaudesert, Jimboomba Sunrise and RCFV. Proceeds from the night will go towards helping our local farmers in the Scenic Rim as they struggle with the effects of the ongoing drought, a worthy cause and it should be a fantastic night of fun and laughter. Please tell your friends and bring your families along to help us help those in need. All details about the night are further down the newsletter.

It's that time of year again where we will be looking for present and new business to advertise in our Annual Business Directory. The directory has proven very popular over the years and it is a very handy book to have nearby when you're looking for a *local* professional service for your home or car. Again this year we are offering advertisements in black and white or colour, personally I think the colour adds a lot of class to the directory which makes it look fantastic.

As we enter the last term of the school year, it becomes very busy for all those involved in education, especially for the young people who are completing their last year of primary school. Again this year we will be presenting our bursaries to year six students from the 7 schools in our area. This award is a Citizenship Award and is for one student who has displayed good citizenship qualities throughout the year, they do not have to be the highest performing student academically, but be a great role model who is caring and considerate towards others around them. Our club feels privileged to present these awards each year as Youth is one of the main focuses of our club's goals each year.

Another project that gives us great pleasure to participate in each year is the packing of our Digger Boxes, sending a variety of sweets, biscuits, stationary and personal care items to our Defence personnel who are serving overseas during the Christmas period. In the past the Digger Boxes have been well received by many and it is always lovely to receive letters from people who they have given some joy to while they are away from their families.

Looking forward to the last few months of the year, and hoping that the rain comes soon for everyone.

Yours in Rotary,

Cara







Last month, some updates were made to most pages on our club's website. My hopes for the website is that it becomes better utilised as we move forth with club activities. I have included some information on our club's chosen beneficiary for fundraising this year, the 4 Aussie Heroes Foundation, and inserted links to their website.

If you have any information that you would like to include or feedback, please do not hesitate to contact me. Without feedback and further information, including photographs, it can be difficult to know what direction our members would like to see the website take. I'd like to think of our website as supplementary to the Valley Vibes. There are many different applications and slide show variations – something we could really have some fun and exciting pages with. I will attempt to get some updates to the calendar over the coming weeks.

Activities for our club are increasing for the month of October, with a Combined Rotary Club Trivia night on the 19 October and then catering for the Vintage Dirt Bike Riders of Australia at their event at Washpool on 27 October. We look forward to working with these groups this month.

Aleeta Wozencroft Secretary 2019/20

Youth Matters

Please let myself or any of our members know if you have a young person you know who would benefit from attending this amazing youth leadership camp.

President 2019/20: Cara Champion

Phone: 0428 582774



Secretary – Aleeta Wozencroft Email: sec.rcfv@outlook.com

Something to think about!



Recycling

If you would like to donate your cans/bottles to RCFV, please contact myself or any of our members.



President 2019/20: Cara Champion Phone: 0428 582774



Don't forget to check us out on our newly

updated website@

https://www.fassifernvalleyrotary.org.au/

Also check us out on



Upcoming Events



October	November	December	January
9th - Guest Speaker	20th - Digger Boxes	7 th – Christmas Party	
Tony Gibb			
9 th - Trivia Night,			
Beaudesert			
27 th - Catering for the			
Vintage Dirt Bike			
Riders of Australia			



Birthdays	National Property of the Prope	Wedding Anniversary
7 th - Ross McInnes	Oo halaara	5 th - John & Aleeta Woencroft
11 th - Aleeta Wozencroft	October	
12 th - Jenny Summerson		

Meeting Program and Duty Roster: October

DUTY ROSTER	Wed 9 October	Wed 16 October	Wed 23 October	Wed 30 October
	' 19	' 19	'19	' 19
	Dinner Meeting	Planning Meeting	Planning Meeting	Social Evening
Duty Officer	Bev Ward			
Chairman/ Rotary	Neil Summerson	N/A	N/A	N/A
Reflections				
Meeting Venue &	Royal Hotel,	Lindy's Home	TBA	TBA
Time	Harrisville, 6.30 for			
	7pm start			
Program and/or	Tony Gibb	Planning for	Planning for Murder	Lift the Lid on
Guest Speaker		Catering day &	mystery night in	Mental Health
		Trivia night	February	

MEMBERS NOTICE:

- 1. To ensure a punctual 7.00 pm start, members are requested to arrive no later than 6.45pm.
- 2. When you have duties on the Roster and are not available, could you please arrange for someone else to fill in, and advise Secretary Aleeta of the change (Mob 0433 822 036)
- 3. <u>Members please note: RSVP is important, if you don't RSVP there will be no meal for you meals are only ordered if you advise you are attending.</u>

