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Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)

Meeting time:

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

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### CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks and Meeting report
05 September	Days for Girls <i>Margaret Cunningham</i>	John McPhee	Nancy Notman
12 September	DG visit and Club Birthday <i>DG Carol Lawton</i>	Stuart Williams	Mike Finke
19 September	One Year as a Health Volunteer in Mongolia <i>Lynette Phuong</i>	Mike Finke	Bob Laslett
26 September	Membership Night	Ray Smith	Glenys Grant

### THIS WEEKS CELEBRATIONS

This week we have honorary member Margaret Taylor's birthday on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September, as well the birthday of President McPhee's wife, First Lady Margaret McPhee, on the 4<sup>th</sup> of September.

Apologies for my misspelling of Kathy Donaghey's name in the anniversary announcement last week.

### DUTY ROSTER

	September	October
Recorder	Ron Brooks	Chris Tuck
Greeter	Mike Finke	Stuart Williams
Emergency	Ray Smith	Glenys Grant
Cashier	Nancy Notman	Mike Finke

### ATTENDANCE

**APOLOGY – IF A MEMBER IS NOT GOING TO COME TO THE MEETING or you intend bringing a guest please contact Ray Smith by 10.00 am MONDAY** on 9878 4891 or [rcssmith@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rcssmith@optusnet.com.au) SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS to Ray by 10am at the LATEST Any CANCELLATION AFTER 10.00 AM *should* be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268

### DON HULLAND

Don is in Kellock Lodge, 15 Bon Street, Alexandra 3714, and his mobile number is **0409**

**530 435**. Please give him a call or phone the office 5770-2100 and ask for Don.

### **SERGEANT'S SESSION (HELD OVER FROM THE MEETING ON THE 22<sup>ND</sup>), COURTESY OF BOB WILLIAMS**

The Rio Olympic Games are over but do remember that the Rio Paralympic Games commence 7th September. Stuart and I, when we attended oh so many events during the Commonwealth Games in Melbourne, witnessed so many amazing performances by Paralympians as the events were interspersed with the able bodied athletic events.

One of Australia's greatest disabled athletes is Kurt Fearnely.

Kurt was born without the lower portion of his spine but it didn't stop him turning to wheelchair sports in his teens. He competed at the Sydney Paralympic Games in 2000 with two silver medals then won gold in Athens in 2004 in the 5000 metres and marathon. He again won silver in London in 2012 and went on to win 7 world championships and 20 marathons around the world.

In 2009 Kurt crawled the Kokoda Track, was a crew member of the 2012 Sydney to Hobart yacht race winner, and in 2009 was awarded NSW Young Australian of the Year.

He is now a qualified PE teacher travelling around NSW teaching High School children.

He said after the New York marathon in 2011 when he had tears running down his face from fatigue that he told himself he will never give up and he never has.

So, if you're feeling a bit tired, a bit lackadaisical and can think of too many reasons not to get out and do something, spare a thought for what Kurt may be doing at that time.

Bob W

### **JOHN'S JOTTINGS, COURTESY OF OUR PRESIDENT**

A very pleasant fellowship evening was enjoyed by our cricket team of 11 who feasted out on the delights of Bucatini. Good food Good fellowship and all that stuff, interspersed with laughter and continuous chatter. All this proceeded a group discussion on upcoming events.

Membership. Do your bit

Blackburn market- still awaiting council approval.

Farmers Market, the 11th of September commitment

Schwerkolt open day on the 11<sup>th</sup> of September. This will be a very busy day and heavy work load.

District Governors visit on the 12<sup>th</sup> of September

Primary School Speech Contest on the evening of the 15<sup>th</sup> of September

And all this follows on from our next meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September with Margaret Cunningham presenting Days for Girls project.

A very busy time ahead for us all, plus our partners and extended family to meet our obligations.

We wish Glenys a great holiday and safe return to the USA

To Warwick and Christine, we hope that you will have a very profitable clearance sale, and the clean-up goes without a hitch.

To all have a great week in whatever you do.

-John

### **LAST WEEK'S MEETING (22<sup>nd</sup> August)**

No meeting, but reportedly a good time was had by all.

## DIARY DATES

Saturday, 10 September	Blackburn Market, slightly adjusted but still going ahead
Sunday, 11 September	Whitehorse Farmer's Market
Sunday, 11 September	Schwerkolt Cottage
Monday, 12 September	DG's visit
Thursday, 15 September	Primary Schools Public Speaking Contest

If it isn't already in your diary, please put the 12<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> in as we will need good support for the sausage sizzle on Sunday, as well as members on the Thursday as per the duty sheet handed out on Monday.

The speaking contest will be the same format as last year and the same venue, Burwood Heights Primary School (Hawthorn Rd & Mahoneys Road, East Burwood VIC 3151).

## FOREST HILL COLLEGE BREAKFAST ROSTER

6. Sep	Robbie	Barb
13. Sep	Robbie	Kevin
20+27. Sep	School holidays	

## ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

September	Education and Literacy
October	Economic and Community Development
November	Foundation

## MEMBERSHIP

As we stare down the barrel of our big event on the 26<sup>th</sup>, please remember that it's incumbent on each of us to reach out and find a prospective new member. Pertinent details should be forwarded to Warwick Stott as soon as you can get your grubby mitts on them, along with inside information to permit maximum emotional leverage.

## FOOTY TIPPING (FINAL!)

Well the season has ended with a fascinating round 23. We had 5 in serious contention for the "best tipper award". Most people went very conservative, or reasonably smartly, for the favourites. Three or four of them got beaten but because most tipsters had gone for them, the race stayed locked. Most of our tipsters picked 6 (top score) or 5 winners in round 23. As we said the other week: The young people in Kenya attending the



Hope Katolo Nursery school don't care that The Cats missed top spot on percentage, and that the Hawks got the second chance with a one-point win with 30 seconds to go. But, they will appreciate the money we donate to them to enable them to get an education. Seven dollars of the \$30 paid goes to Hope Katolo.

This year, after many years of being up there, Mark Bailey won with 149 pts.

Last round 6 winners – Mark is the husband of Yvette Williams. Second - Rob Roles – 6 last round,

for 148 pts. Rob is the husband of Dana Williams. Equal third - Bob Williams 6 in last rnd, 147 pts, and husband of Barbara Williams. Cyril Yardin -5 last round for 147 pts. Cyril has been at the top before, as has his wife (Sybil, who is not related to a Williams). Cyril plays tennis with Bob Laslett and Stuart Williams. Fifth place- Barbara Williams, 6 in last round for 146pts. Barbara is wife of Bob Williams. Congratulations to all of them. The lead changed many times during the year, and all of the above were on top at one stage. It was not a Williams benefit, but the next two were Lachlan Williams and Catman, Stuart Williams.... Who had the skill to pick Freo to win in Pav's last game.

We had 18 participants this year. It would be great to have 20+ next year. It is good fun, easy to do on the computer, and takes only 2 minutes each week. Thank you all for participating and apologies to that passionate Blues supporter, Kathy Donaghey, who had all sorts of trouble with ESPN and although recognised in Coles at Ocean Grove, ESPN could not recognise her tips most weeks. Thanks for being part of the fun and we hope to see you at our FOOTY NIGHT, at Rotary, after the Grand Final. Go Cats.

-Stuart Williams

### ARTICLES/EXTRA CONTENT

Though my work is normally restricted to press, I was seconded to cover a recent "doorstop" after the Federal Government's symposium on the milk industry. This photo, helpfully tweeted out by a Fairfax journalist, is included for your amusement and mockery.

Until the 19<sup>th</sup> of September, please send any articles, events, pithy quotes, or rants to your newsletter editor pro-tem, Mike Finke, [mmfinke@gmail.com](mailto:mmfinke@gmail.com).



### EXTRA BITS

- Our webmaster Ron Brooks has been updating and improving the Forest Hill website, so no doubt with our multipronged digital media presence, we'll be as popular as Pokémon Go any day now.
- There are still a few hold-outs on the google group invitation, so if you're waiting for a good occasion, this is as good as any. Just hunt around in your inbox for "rcforesthill" and follow where it takes you.

- All members of the google group have been added to a shared calendar for Forest Hill's various volunteering, social, and other commitments. Any member using the link to access this calendar can add or modify diary entries.
- Episode two of the Five-Minute Forest Hill podcast has been uploaded. RSS feed link for your podcasting software here:  
<http://feeds.soundcloud.com/users/soundcloud:users:248951819/sounds.rss>  
Or direct link to the MP3s here: <https://soundcloud.com/mike-finke-167583478>
- Please note that in this podcast I call for any input on the following questions, as we exit "Membership Month" but also head towards our prospective member night on the 26<sup>th</sup>:
  1. How do you describe Rotary?
  2. What is your approach when interacting with people you identify as candidates for membership?
- Any input will be gratefully received, acknowledged, and included in the next podcast. Send me your thoughts at [mmfinke@gmail.com](mailto:mmfinke@gmail.com).