



FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS

No. 14

President: Bill Marsh

5 October 2022

BILL'S BY-LINE

Just when we thought we had left Zoom behind us we found ourselves back with a Zoom meeting on Monday. Our Guest Speaker, Jennifer Brosnan, was happy to make a Zoom presentation because it fitted in with her busy life as she balanced work commitments and family life. Jennifer is the founder of 'Women of Whitehorse' and she gave an excellent presentation. A more detailed coverage elsewhere in the newsletter. Unfortunately, we were missing Barb Searle and Sue Ballard, both of whom would have thoroughly enjoyed Jennifer's talk.



We discussed our involvement in the DG's rewards program and I will collate the individual activities into a master sheet. With many of our members being involved in District activities and a strong showing at the Canberra Conference and World Conference I am sure we will 'rack up' a reasonable number of points.

Last Friday 10 members and partners attended the Peridot Theatre production in its new home in Oakleigh. A great show that was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. The theatre is very different to the one we were all used to at the Mount Waverley College but will, I am sure, settle into a new routine as time goes on. I think only our President had any problems finding the place – you just can't trust a GPS!!

On Friday this week we will be off to the movies for our First Friday Film Night at Forest Hill as well as an enjoyable dinner at Mazaj Restaurant. Thanks to Sue for arranging these evenings.

At the weekend we will have our two markets so let's hope for good weather. Thanks, in advance, to all who will help out on both days. Especially to John McPhee and Warwick who organise our involvement in both markets.

On Monday, 10th October the Cluster will hold the launch of the Eastern Health 'Wallet Project' at the Box Hill RSL from 1.30-3.30pm.

The Cluster has decided not to pursue further involvement, at this stage, with the proposed market at City Place on the corner of Springvale Road and Burwood Highway. Difficulty in providing the necessary manpower, finding the stallholders, concerns with entering and exiting the site and the limited time the market would operate (2-3 years) were the main obstacles. We will stay in touch, offer help where we can and perhaps become involved further down the track.

Our meeting next week will be at Bucatini and our speaker is Naline Scarfe – 'Boobook Wildlife Shelter, Bird care and Rehabilitation'. I am looking forward to a really interesting evening.

Best Wishes to Ron Brooks from all of us as he recovers from his surgery on Tuesday. Ron has just undergone a shoulder reconstruction and will be sidelined for a few weeks as he recovers.

Have a great week and 'Make a Difference'.

Bill

October is Economic and Community Development Month

MEETING REPORT -3 October

At our Rotary meeting on Monday, 3rd October our speaker was Jennifer Brosnan speaking on the "Women of Whitehorse".

Jennifer's leading role was promoting the group which consisted of about 150 members. They produce a weekly newsletter of women's activities throughout the Whitehorse community.

Their Group is all about the 3 C's – Connection, Collaboration and Community. They are a Business and Social Network for Women.

Founded February 2015, they have supported Local Businesses and included women of all ages and diversities. They are based in Melbourne's leafy Eastern suburbs but welcome women from all over Melbourne!



They share local information, as well as facilitate workshops, networking functions and business and social events in-person. The group regularly distribute a Newsletter online that provides information on what's on locally and present businesses with the opportunity to advertise to local women. They

have a main Facebook Page as well as a Facebook group where women can share local resources & information, request sporting team players as well as have discussions for instance on referrals for a local tradesman. They also run live stream sessions on a range of topics with guests into their Facebook Group. Their members can also promote their Business/Course/Book/Event or advertise for staff in this group. They regularly review local cafes and restaurants sharing blog posts and have an Instagram account.

In late 2019 they launched a Membership Program for Business and Social Members and they welcome the support of the community. As part of the Membership Program, they partnered with local businesses and have a Loyalty App that their Members use to claim discounts and unique offers with cafes, gyms, beauty salons and more!

At the conclusion of Jennifer's presentation Bill Marsh thanked her for making the Rotary club aware of their organisation.

Reports. Blackburn market. John McPhee reported that the arrangements for the upcoming market were proceeding well and he looks forward to us having a full team in attendance.

Youth. Glenys reported that the Youth AA invites are almost ready to go out. Now the schools are back they will be phoned, to check that we have the principals and teachers' names correct. That necessitates 12 phone calls to the schools.

Enviro. It looks like our indigenous garden launch will be on Monday 17/10. We will find out details once everything is organised with the Principal, David Rogers. The Bee book should be published and ready for distribution by then also. Keep the 17/10 free and once information comes through it will be sent out to members. As previously discussed, we are giving the best contributor to the two projects an environment award. The students were asked who they thought should get this new award we are giving out, and they have chosen one of the two females in the VCAL class. She has been a great contributor to both projects, and everyone involved is delighted she was chosen.

Interplast project. Bob Williams will make several visits to Rotary clubs promoting project.

General Business

DG's Rewards Program. President Bill spoke about the DG's reward program where members can earn points for visiting other clubs and Rotary events.

Film Night – 7th October. The next film night will be at Forest Hill Chase members are encouraged to notify Sue if they plan to be in attendance.

Markets – 8th & 9th October. The Blackburn Art & Craft market will be this Saturday, with the Whitehorse farmers market Sunday.

Launch of Eastern Health 'Wallet Program' - 1.30-3.30pm on 10th October

Next Meeting. – Nalini Scarfe "Boobook Wildlife Shelter" will be a guest speaker, with the meeting back at Bucatini's Restaurant.

Meeting concluded at approximately 8 pm.

John Bindon.

WALLET LAUNCH

The Health Card that is produced with the Whitehorse cluster and Eastern Health will be launched on 10th October. The card has been designed to include useful contact details will be given to out patients from Eastern health hospitals

Sue

NEXT MEETING

10 October Boobook Wildlife Centre Nalini Scarfe

Club roster for October 2022.

Chairperson: Bob Laslett
Greeter: Glenys Grant
Notes for “Happenings” Bob Williams
Thanks Warwick Stott
Cashier & Recorder: Bob Williams

COMING UP

7 October Film night
8 October Blackburn market
9 October Farmers’ market
10 October Wallet Launch
17 October Bees Michael Johnson

CELEBRATIONS



Oops.
Belated best wishes
for Barbara Searle’s
birthday on October
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FOOTY BROTHERS

Answers to last week’s quiz

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| 1. Geelong – Bruce and Ian | Nankervis |
| 2. Geelong/WC/ Bris-- Scott and Troy and Joel and Adam - | Selwood |
| 3. Adelaide – Matt and Brad.... | Crouch |
| 4. West Coast – Jeremy and Mitch.... | Mc Govern |
| 5. Brisbane – Brad and Chris..... | Scott |
| 6. Collingwood - Sydney and Gordon..... | Coventry |
| 7. Collingwood and Geelong Jack and Oliver - | Henry |
| 8. Sydney – Paddy and Tom ... | McCartin |
| 9. St Kilda and Gold Coast – Max and Ben .. | King |

10. Bulldogs and Magpies – Finlay and Jack ...	Macrae
11. Essendon – Terry and Neale	Daniher
12. Essendon – Simon and Justin -	Madden
13. Nth Melbourne - Arnold and Robert -	Briedis
14. GWS and Adelaide - Elliot and Harry -	Himmelberg
15. Hawthorn _ Paul and Greg..-	Dear
16. Richmond and Carlton – Paddy and Thomson ..-	Dow
17. Carlton – Ed and Charlie -	Curnow
18. Carlton and Geelong - Tom and Sam	De Koning
19. Melbourne – TWINS -Stephen and Matthew	Febey
(First twins to each play 100 games)	
20. Melbourne – Oscar and Tom -	Mc Donald
21. Port Adelaide – Peter and Shaun	Burgoyne
22. Freemantle - Caleb and Jai ---	Serong
23. Freemantle and Melb Angus and Andrew -	Brayshaw

Rotary Box Hill Burwood Whitehorse Art Show 2022

The club is privileged to have the Stroke Association of Vic CEO Paula Theocharides open its show at the Box Hill Town Hall on Wednesday 26th Oct at 6.00pm (Art Preview) followed by Dinner at 7.00pm. Cost \$80-details from Bob L.

23 Oct Ukraine Concert

A tremendous concert in support of Ukraine. At St Leonard's College Concert Hall- tickets \$35 through trybooking. Details from Bob L

Sproutings

This week we have some further invites for you, including one to visit the VCAL Indigenous Garden at Forest Hill College. This is an environment project which our club helped initiate and has supported throughout all its stages.

**Forest Hill College
invites you
to the launch of the**

VCAL Indigenous Garden

Monday October 17, 2pm.

*All welcome: Please contact
Glenys Grant for further details
if you are able to attend.*



The VCAL indigenous garden.

Planned and planted by the Forest Hill College VCAL students, this enviro project has reached its final stage. The garden is situated in an enclosed, previously unused and barren space outside the library.

To help students complete the area our club has now supplied suitable, sturdy and sustainable garden furniture.

The tools, native plants, mulch and advice has been supplied by donors, all keen to help students with the project.

The native plants are small but sturdy and will grow quickly and strongly. They will soon provide a beautiful ambience in this quiet 'timeout' study area. The native plants chosen will also attract birds, bees and butterflies – and hopefully some frogs will find the pond..

So congratulations to these students, about to go out into the business world, for their perseverance in this project despite COVID shutdowns, and we pay a special tribute to their teacher and mentor, Adrienne Baucke.

Correspondence from Deputy Mayor Cr Denise Massoud,

Dear Glenys,

Recently I took the opportunity to tour the **BioGro processing facility** in Dandenong South. Biogro is the organisation responsible for processing FOGO for Whitehorse Council.

It was concerning to see the inappropriate items placed into organic waste bins which included a laundry powder plastic bottle, a bleach bottle and a brick!

The process includes a final stage where there is human intervention to remove any contaminations which remain after the automated processing.

Please share with your members the information at <https://www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/waste-environment/rubbish-recycling/food-and-garden-waste-service>.

We need to promote correct use across our community and your members could assist through discussing with others.

While at the tour I also learned that “compostable” items like picnic plates should not be placed into the green organics bin as these cannot be identified as compostable.

Because the conveyor belt carries the final stage, humans cannot identify these items as being safe to go to compost so they are simply removed and sent to landfill. These items should be placed into the yellow recycling bin if suitable.

As part of the Seniors Festival in October, it is possible for residents to book to attend a tour of the Biogro facility.

You travel by bus from Nunawading Library, 379 Whitehorse Road, Nunawading.

Wear covered shoes. Safety wear will be supplied at the site (hard hat, safety glasses, high vis vest).

Dates are: **Tuesday October 11, 2022, 9am-1pm, OR**

Wednesday October 12, 2022, 9am-1pm.

Please phone 92626333 for any enquiries.

Booking is essential for either tour date.

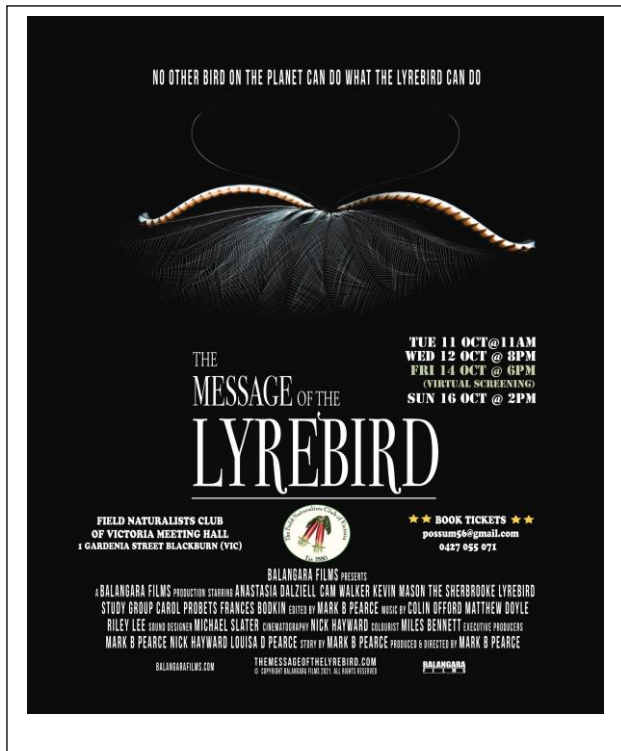
Hope any members who may attend enjoy their experience.

Best wishes,

Cr Denise Massoud

We thank Cr Massoud for sending us this information, and please share this with our fellow Rotarians, friends, family and the community.

Now a wonderful opportunity from the Field Naturalists



*Lyrebirds hold the history of the forest in their song... but are they now singing the **sad story of human encroachment?***

Come on a magical journey through Australia's native forests to understand the sophistication and complex artistry of the lyrebird, leading humanity to a deeper understanding of the natural world.

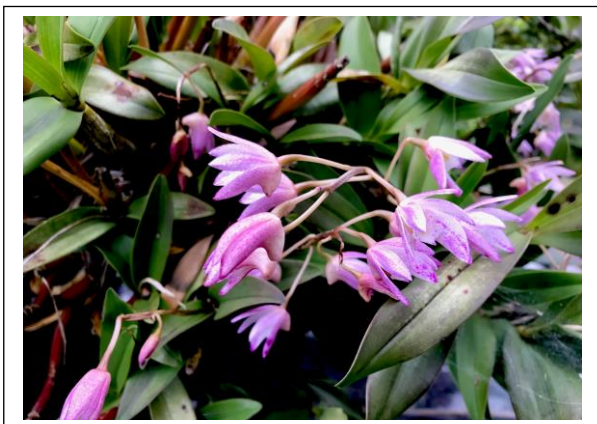
[Trailer for The Message of the Lyrebird](#)

The on-line screening details are:

**Friday Oct 14 , 7.30pm,
Online Special Event**

Contact Sue Bendel for details on how to join the on-line viewing on
possum56@gmail.com or 0427 055 071

Plant of the Month. – a native plant for you.



Name: Dendrobium Kingianum

Common name: Pink Rock Orchid.

This orchid is the recipient of the prestigious [Award of Garden Merit](#) of the Royal Horticultural Society.

Appearance: a charming smaller orchid, dainty flowers, clump formation

Grows well: in Southern States, easy to grow on rocks, in hanging baskets and pots - a good way to squeeze more colourful native species into any garden.

Flowers: late Winter to Spring

Cons: No wet feet. frost sensitive

Why not plant it and give your family and the birds a treat...

The Great Southern Bioblitz is coming up later this month and Whitehorse Council invite you all to participate: www.whitehorse.vic.gov.au/great-southern-bioblitz.

More on that next week, **Glenys**

RCFH BLACKBURN STATION CRAFT MARKET – TRADERS OF THE MONTH

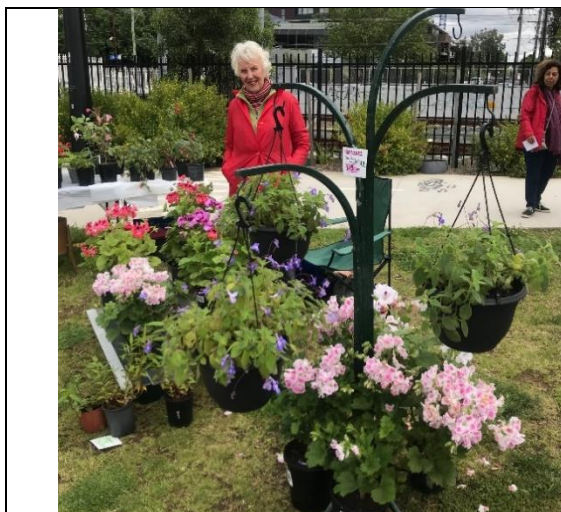
Powerhouse Cheese Barbara Power started making her own cheeses over 10 years ago. With a degree in Microbiology, she had a good scientific foundation to base her production. Two years ago, she started up her own commercial business **Powerhouse Cheese** and persuaded her sister, Donna Hall, who also has a Science degree, to leave her native New Zealand and join her in this venture. These two Artisan Cheesemakers use cow's milk in small 100 litre batches of milk from St David's Dairy in Fitzroy. They sell their cheeses at markets every Saturday and Sunday around the Melbourne area or you can order online for pick up on Monday afternoon. The rest of the week you will find them busy in their cheesery making their standard Blackburn Blue, Whitehorse White and Ash Bree cheeses or producing new varieties like their Bellbird Blue or a surface ripened Rosella Red which may become another standard offering in the future. Certainly, these two talented very local artisan cheesemakers running **Powerhouse Cheese** have a future.

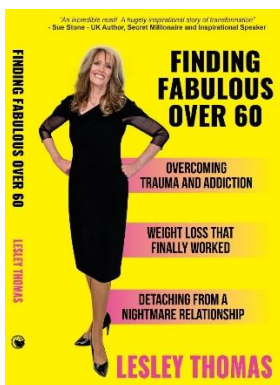
www.powerhousecheese.com.au



Dawn's Flowers

Dawn Hooton has been a regular at the Blackburn Craft Market from the very beginning. If you want her plants, you have to come to our market as she sells nowhere else. Dawn lives in Forest Hill and propagates every plant herself from her own seeds or cuttings. Her love of flowers and gardening started as a young girl when her father bought her a packet of fuchsia seeds..... it has been her hobby ever since. It's amazing looking at the large healthy specimens of evergreen perennials such as the fuchsias, ferns, and pelargoniums she sells with long flowering periods all at very reasonable prices.





Come to the Market this month- October 8