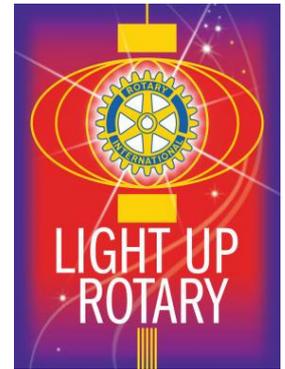




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Weekly Newsletter

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Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

ForestHill Rotary

CLUB PROGRAM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Thanks/meeting report</u>
13 th Oct	Membership Evening	Membership Group	Membership Group
20 th Oct	<i>The Secrets of Croquet</i> Brian Foley	Glenys Grant	Jenny Coburn
27 th Oct	Bucatini a la carte Dinner	Bill Marsh	Ron Brooks
3 rd Nov	NO MEETING-CUP EVE		
10 th Nov	<i>If you are happy</i> Judy Liebel	John McPhee	Doug Berwick

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

No Birthdays and no Wedding Anniversaries this week so just celebrate the fact that you made the decision to join Rotary!!!



DUTY ROSTER

	October	November
Cashier	Jenny Coburn	Bob Williams
Recorder	Warwick Stott	Stuart Williams
Greeter	Glenys Grant	Gary Baltissen
Emergency	Ray Smith	Ron Brooks

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

Any CANCELLATION AFTER 10.00 AM should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268

Gary Baltissen will be overseas from 30th Sept to 3rd Nov

Doug Berwick will be on leave from 9th Oct to 30th Oct

BILL'S BLURB

Our Rotary life just keeps on humming along nicely. One of the (many sayings) in Rotary is "ordinary people achieving extraordinary things" and it really applies to our club at the moment. Everybody is contributing and we are achieving some fantastic results. Well done, all.

On Friday I went across to Burwood Heights and presented Saurish and Paige with their certificates and the school with the Perpetual Primary Schools Speech Contest shield. The competition will be held at Burwood Heights next year and they have vowed to defend their win to the best of their ability. John was at Weeden Heights to present the third place certificate to Jordan and they have promised to be back next year in an attempt to claim their second overall win. Although only in its second year this competition has engendered a tremendous interest in the local schools and the standard just keeps getting better and better.

A most successful weekend saw us have a great morning on Saturday at our Blackburn Market and then another beautiful morning saw a very successful Whitehorse Farmers' Market take place. With all of our committees so busy these two major fundraising events will be well received. On Sunday we held a Rotary Awareness Day in conjunction with the WFM and this was also successful as it enabled the 6 clubs in the Whitehorse Cluster to highlight the great work done by Rotary in the community. We hope that this will become an annual event as it is a great chance for the clubs to work together for a common cause.

"Larry" just keeps on keeping on. This week we began the distribution of this great book to primary and pre schools across Whitehorse. Larry was enthusiastically received where ever he perched and will continue to bring the environmental message he carries to generations of children across Whitehorse. We have copies (\$20) from the reprint run available and they would make fantastic Christmas or birthday gifts so contact Glenys or Bill to secure yours before they run out.

On Monday eight representatives from the Cluster clubs had a visit at Hand Brake Turn in Dandenong. I think it is fair to say that they were all impressed with this great program and the way it is delivered so professionally under quite difficult conditions. All of the clubs have committed to support the program this year and, I hope, for years to come. A local program that delivers results and when you talk to the kids involved you realize how much they appreciate the chance it gives them to get their lives back on track.

What a night! Congratulations to the Membership and PR committee - you couldn't have lived up to your name any better. Our Information Night was a great social occasion in which our guests were immersed in the fellowship that Rotary provides and provided with a wealth of information on the programs that we participate in and those that run throughout the world. I know our five guests were impressed and enjoyed themselves, and now have a better grasp of the work done by Rotary. I am confident we will increase our membership as a result and this night has now given us a starting point for the future activities you have planned.

17 Oct. Visit to Box Hill Hospital - 9.00 am (Limited to 15 so get in early)
& Film Night.

19 Nov. Cluster presentation 'Rotarians Against Child Slavery' organised
by the Rotary Club of Box Hill Central. Venue - Box Hill Town Hall. Cost - \$10.
Finger food provided.

24 Nov. Youth Achievement Awards

8 Dec Address by RI President Elect - venue to be confirmed.

Little Known Fact: Manchester United is the most hated brand in Britain and the 7th most hated in the world..

Enjoy your week in Rotary and keep working to "Light Up Rotary"

Pres Bill

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Café style seating made a conducive environment to meet our guests on Monday evening as we shared an insight into Rotary and more particularly the Rotary Club of Forest Hill.

It was our pleasure to welcome along five guests – Liz, Tim, Nick, Pat and Peter. We all had a great time switching tables, enjoying some fabulous food and beverages and getting to know that little bit more about our visitors and sharing our stories with them.

A special thank you to everyone on the night, it was all about sharing stories, what we love about Rotary and encouraging each of our guests to consider Rotary as something worthwhile considering to be a part of their life.

Our speakers and their topics covered a snapshot of what we do with Bob Laslett sharing Handbrake Turn, Bill spoke about Larry, Bob shared the amazement of the Primary Schools Speech Contest and Stuart on the international project – Hope Katolo.

With a brief insight into the End Polio Now program and the opportunity to engage through the Breakfast Club Project at Forest Hill College, all guests were invited to come along and share a regular meeting – next week with the story of Croquet or when they are available.

Special thank you to everyone who came along early and set up for the night – and for Stan for stepping in to cover me for the night on the desk.

Notes by Jenny

Stuart spoke about Hope Katolo Nursery School as follows:

Rotary international is humanity in motion. Most Rotarians show compassion and humanity. We are proud to do good in the world, in Australia and around the globe. Attempting to eradicate POLIO is probably our proudest project and almost completed achievement.

On a smaller scale, our club has supported the Hope Katolo Nursery school in arid, poverty stricken western Kenya. Our club recently funded the building and installation of two large water tanks. Rotary projects come about in a variety of ways. This project was the brain-child and passion of two local girls, MELANIE HALEY and LEANNE PINFOLD. In 2007, these two young women, volunteered for 3 months in Kenya. Their experiences drove them into action. In this area the children were malnourished, education was but a dream for most and AIDS was prevalent. An amazing local woman, GEORGINA MALANGA, volunteered in a medical dispensary in the mornings and in the afternoon, she taught some local children. She fed these children some rice from what she had left over from her personal ration. Melanie and Leanne bought some land, and started fund-raising for Georgina's dream.

Classrooms were built and now almost 100 children are attending this school. There is now a waiting list to enrol. The school has given the children a chance of a better future. Each child now receives one nutritious meal a day. They wear a school uniform proudly and learn to read and write. Our club for a number of years made donations to Hope Katolo, but last year, after meeting Georgina and again hearing an inspiring presentation, we decided to make it a priority project. The water tanks we provided make the school self-sufficient for water. The tanks have saved children a 5 km walk to the river to collect water and have enabled the school to grow more of the food that they use for school meals. Hope Katolo Nursery school is a project our small club is proud of.

Rotary International is an amazing organisation that allows ORDINARY PEOPLE to be involved in EXTRA-ORDINARY PROJECTS AND EXPERIENCES.

Notes by Stuart

We were told that the Blackburn Market on Saturday 11th October raised \$835. A fabulous effort by all.

No sergeant session at the New Members get together. We raised \$77 from the weekly raffle. As there was more money raised than usual Pres Bill thought it a good idea that we have two prizes instead of one. The winner was a potential new member Pat Pridham, who chose the red wine (she will fit in well!), and Stuart who, surprise, surprise chose the chocolates. Bob L was disappointed in not winning a third time in a row.

Notes by the editor

VIP TOUR OF THE NEW BOX HILL HOSPITAL.

The Forest Hill Rotary Club VIP tour of the new Box Hill Hospital on Friday 17th of October will be reported on in next week's newsletter.

GIVE YOUR FOREIGN COINS TO OUR ROTARY COLLECTION

DG Tony has backed our idea of collecting all the foreign coins from our past overseas trips as a District wide project and giving them to UNICEF at the District Conference. He emailed "*This is a great initiative, involving little effort that could become a great source of publicity.*"

More and more of us are heading off overseas and we always seem to return with some useless coins we cannot exchange (We'll take notes as well). There will be a coffee jar to put the coins in and each week we'll see the collection grow. This was done some years ago and so now that coin collection has built up again. UNICEF can make use of them. Let's recycle our coins into something valuable for kids.



The foreign coin collection is underway

DON HULLAND,

It was good to see Don at his usual spot at the Blackburn Market sausage sizzle. Honorary member Don is at present residing in Kellock Lodge and hoping to be able to stay there full time. The address is 15 Bon St, Alexandria 3714 and his telephone is 0409 530 435. Why don't you give him a call or write to him.

DINNER AUCTION FOR SOUTH SUDAN SCHOOL

There will be a report in next week's Newsletter on the RC of Manningham's dinner auction, Saturday 11th October at Monte Carlo receptions. All proceeds were going towards the cost of building a school in Rumbek, South Sudan.

"LARRY the LORIKEET" BOOK

Take action **NOW**. If you want to buy a copy ... or two, or three, then give your order into Pres Bill (bimarsh@bigpond.net.au) as a second print run has been done.

WEBSITE

Do not forget to check out our website, www.foresthillrotary.com and send Ron Brooks any information and suggestions. It has recently been updated. If you have photos, please send them to me with a suitable file name so I can post them on the web. If you do a project then write a short story that can be posted on the web. Other people do look at our website. It is another avenue for promoting our club.

POLIO WEBINAR

On 24 October, Rotarians clubs and districts around the world will come together to fight polio. Register today for our [End Polio Now: Make History Today Livestream](#) event to receive a global update on the current status of polio eradication, hear inspiring stories, and musical performances. The event will begin at 18:30pm CDT and will be streamed live at endpolionow.org.

You can find other Rotary webinars on the webinar page at:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/webinars/upcoming>

These webinars are a great way to learn more from the comfort of your own armchair

FELLOWSHIP FUNCTIONS

The Fellowship night on Friday OCTOBER 17th at Forest Hill Hoyts Theatre will be reported on in the next newsletter.

Forthcoming attractions in addition to our Film night for 21st November are Peridot Theatre production of Key for Two a comedy farce, However on the same night the Rotary Club of Croydon's has a musical presentation "Broadway to Pavarotti" starring Roger Davy, tenor /operatic performer , and soprano Simone Nicole .

To support these 2 shows plus a theatre night within 8 days of each other would seem too heavy and therefore I will be seeking preferences from members . Details of both events will be available next Monday or you could ring me in the meantime for information so as to evaluate your preference.

Other activity being considered include seaside fellowships and also a musical production of EVITA TO BE STAGED IN May 2015 at the Whitehorse centre.

John McPhee

HISTORICAL SOCIETY

As part of the local Historical Societies celebrations recently there was an excellent talk given at Vermont South library on the History of Vermont. I learned that

in the late 19th century, STEPHENS RESERVE was the site of Uplands, home of builder Edward Bishop. During the 1880s land boom, he built many homes in the area. He was Nunawading Shire Councillor and President from 1887-1893 and became closely involved in Mount Pleasant Methodist Church. Guests at the circuit meetings in his timber panelled dining room feasted on produce including home made pies and cream/butter from his cows. Dr FR Stephens bought Uplands then sold it to the Council in the 1960s when it was given the name Stephens Reserve. It is often mistakenly thought that the name came from the Stevens family, orchardists on land between Canterbury and Jolimont Rds, Forest Hill prior to the 1960s sub division but it is a different spelling.

Notes by Ron Brooks

REASONS FOR JOINING ROTARY

Jenny Coburn gave me 41 reasons. Have you got others you can tell us about?. I am putting in a different one every week - **think about them when you talk to prospective members**

You Can Share Your Knowledge: Whether it be in your Rotary Club directly, through your district or via the club website / facebook site, etc. – there are always opportunities to share your expertise in a key area with others..

HOPE KATOLO SCHOOL, KENYA

Warwick received this email from “our” school:

Hallo Warwick,

The Education system in Kenya is that students break for holiday in April, then August, then December, all the rest of the other months they are in school, that is january,february,march, may, june,july,september,october,and november. What they do during holiday depends dear,people who are able pay for their children to do tuition or courses like computer basics but for the little ones in nursery school just help their parents care for animals and other casual jobs in the home. Am glad you and your friends will be discussing development and thank you for remembering our school,i believe that your team shall do many wonders,please pass my regards to them,and do not consider yourself old next time because i admire your strength from the work you do.

Blessed More years

Georgina

STAMPS

Please keep cutting out all the stamps you get on your snail mail leaving an approximate 1cm margin and give to Jenny Coburn or to me. They are worth nothing to you but Rotary sells them. Over \$89,000 since starting in 1991/92 and \$7,091 in 2013/14. Robbie and I had dinner with Carole & Eric Farmer last week. She was telling us how she gets extra money for specific stamps eg Commemorative ones, foreign etc so her and her group sort through every one.



WHITEHORSE FARMERS' MARKET

Egg and bacon stall

Last Sunday the Rotary Club of Forest Hill manned the egg and bacon stall (as happens once every 7 months). It was a beautiful day and the market had about 76 stall-holders in attendance – a record number – and there was a very large attendance of patrons, enjoying the produce and the weather.

Once again the smell of cooking eggs and bacon brought quite a lot of customers to the stall (although a hot meal was probably not the requirement of some people with the temperature hitting 30 degrees at about midday).

Three teams of 5 cooks, servers and cashiers from our club together with friends and relatives made the work pleasant and the time on duty go quickly.

The egg and bacon stall made a profit of about \$380, whilst the increased number of stall holders who mostly pay \$65 each would have helped to swell the coffers of the market committee.

Finally I would like to thank the Rotarians and partners who helped on the day –without their help we would not be able to operate the stall, and a special thank you to the three others who helped, the daughter of a Rotarian, a friend of hers, and a friend of another Rotarian.

October market figures are;

Stallholders	\$4,885.00
Donations	\$1,548.95
Barbeque	\$431.45
Total	\$6,865.40

Notes by Warwick Stott



BALLARAT DISTRICT CONFERENCE FRI 13th –SUN 15th MARCH 2015

Families Grant/ Williams, Bob/ Williams, Stuart/ Brooks/Laslett/Marsh are going to stay at a hotel together. Jenny and Roger will stay in own accommodation. Cost \$149 per night. Buffet breakfast \$20. It's not too late to join us

Stuart Williams On to Conference organiser

Club officers & Committees 2014-15

President	Bill Marsh
Vice President	John Donaghey
Secretary	Ron Brooks
Treasurer	Warwick Stott
President Elect	Bob Williams
Sergeant	Stuart Williams
Foundation & International	Chris Tuck
Youth Service	Members: John Donaghey, Stan Harper, Glenys Grant
Community & Vocation	Members: Ray Smith, Bob Williams, Graham Sharman Bob Laslett
Membership & Publicity	Members: Stuart Williams, Gary Baltissen, Ron Brooks Doug Berwick
Fellowship	Members: John McPhee, Warwick Stott, Jenny Coburn John McPhee
Primary Schools Speech Night Programme	John McPhee
Bulletin Editor	Ray Smith & Gary Baltissen
Web page & Facebook	Ron Brooks
On to Conference	Ron Brooks
Historian	Stuart Williams
Almoner	Stan Harper
Public Officer	Graham Sharman
	Bill Marsh

Note that Bob Williams has volunteered to swop over from Foundation/International to Youth Services to support Glenys and Ray as Graham will be spending very little time in Melbourne.

Newsletter articles to the editor at ronbrooks1@optusnet.com.au by **5 pm Wed.** If you do not wish to receive this publication please contact the editor.



Cup Day Carnival

Redbox Vineyard & Winery

2 Ness Lane Kangaroo Ground Vic 3097
Melways Ref: 271 E8

**Bring your families and friends!
Sweep on the Melbourne Cup
Raffle Prizes as well**

**Barbecue and Salads Provided
inc Tea and Coffee**

Free Wine Tasting all day!

**\$20 per person (children free)
Festivities start at 12pm, finishing around 6pm
the Cellar Door Bar will be open all day!**



There are delightful & picturesque places to visit in the Nillumbik region within a few kms of Kangaroo Ground. From the lookout tower you can see Geelong on a clear day! Great views of the city, you can see the Dandenongs to the east, & Mt Macedon to the west.

Tuesday 4th November No Excuses! Be There!

Wear your most outrageous hat, and don't forget your camera!

RSVP to John Atkinson for Catering Purposes Ph.:0418358849 or 98733322