

**The Flyer  
2017-2018**



ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE

**President: Bill Marsh**

Number 28

Club address:

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Website:

Meeting location:

Meeting time:

Facebook:

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

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Rotary Club Forest Hill

19 February 2018

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**CLUB PROGRAM**

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report
19 Feb	NYSF <i>Rock Wilkins</i>	BOARD Barbara Searle	Sue Ballard
26 Feb	This is your life <i>"Paul Harris" interview</i>	Bill Marsh	Ron Brooks
5 Mar	Conference Review	John McPhee	Bob Laslett

**CELEBRATIONS**

Congratulations to Glenys Grant for her club anniversary (22 Feb) and to Bill Marsh (22 Feb) and Stuart Williams (25 Feb) for their respective birthdays.

**DUTY ROSTER**

	<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>MARCH</b>
<b>Recorder</b>	Mike Finke	Sue Ballard
<b>Greeter</b>	Chris Tuck	Barbara Williams
<b>Emergency</b>	Glenys Grant	John Donaghey
<b>Cashier</b>	Bob Laslett	Ray Smith

**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 0412 807 585 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

## BILL'S BYLINES

The good news is that Warwick has come through his knee operation well and in a day or so will be off to rehabilitation to get himself up and about again. The recovery has been highlighted by Warwick getting cranky and wanting to come home – so we know he is progressing well!!! The Best Wishes of all members go out to Chris (and Warwick) that the rehab process is speedy and successful.

On Monday we were led down memory lane by Stuart Williams who gave a very entertaining and nostalgic presentation on life in 1940-1950's through the eyes of a boy growing up in the western suburbs of Melbourne. A great presentation, Stuart.

It was a super surprise to be able to welcome back Nancy Notman, visiting from Queensland and Bum, visiting from Thailand.

I am still looking for a volunteer to attend the Volunteering Forum working group on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at Bucatinis. If you can help please contact me.

An excellent production at Peridot Theatre on Friday kept 17 members and friends rocking with laughter as the cast tried to keep up with the twists and turns in 'Rumours'. The trick was to work out how they were going to get out of the twisted web they wove and just when we thought they had managed the impossible a final twist unfolded as the lights went up for the finish.

Get onto Trybooking and book your seat for the next production '84 Charing Cross Road' on the 8<sup>th</sup> June. This is our charity night and we will be doing the catering so a great supper is guaranteed and all money raised will go towards the work of RC Forest Hill with the main beneficiary being the Hope Katolo Nursery School in Kenya-a long- time project of our club.

Two very successful markets at the weekend at Blackburn and the WFM. Talk about a club forum – at one stage there were 10 members standing around chatting at the Blackburn Market – to be fair at least 3 of them were actually working! It is no wonder we can achieve as much as we do when this sort of support is always available for club activities.

Thanks to Mike our 'fancy dress' is underway for the Conference Dinner. I am sure the 16 of us will have a great night and avoid too many convictions.

### **Some dates for your diaries.**

Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February -	District Presidents' Meeting
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February -	Planning meeting for Volunteering Forum
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> March -	District Conference at Bendigo
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April -	Cluster Volunteering Forum

### **Did You Know?**

The statue of Winston Churchill in Parliament Square is electrified to stop pigeons perching on its head. And ?

**Remember - Rotary: Making a Difference - is not just a theme it is what we do.**

## Meeting Report 12 February

We had 14 members plus, two visitors, one being Bum, Stuart's friend from Thailand.

One of past members, Nancy who lives now in Queensland was back in Victoria visiting her friends so decided to have dinner with us and although struggling with a serious illness, looked absolutely fabulous. Wow what a positive lady!

As Stuart was our guest speaker, Bob W opened the meeting with a reflection on Family Violence being part of our monthly theme of Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution.

Pres Bill told us of the terrific number who attended Peridot Friday night, our two weekend markets were well attended by our members and we have sixteen going to conference, plus we had eighteen at the Donagheys earlier this month so we must be just about the most social club in the District.

Glenys advised of a Youth committee meeting after the dinner, Mike confirmed our conference "T" shirt sizes as he wanted to send off our order.

Ray reported some sad news as Lynne Grigsbey has been diagnosed with cancer.

Our Blackburn market raised \$980 although a lot was because of super salesman John persuading many of our stallholders to pay \$50 for three markets instead of \$20 for one so our next few markets will reflect that. Our

Whitehorse Farmers' market raised over \$5,500 so although it seemed fewer there, the financial outcome was still good. Four-legged Lucy Ballard was a hit at the Sunday WFM greeting all the other four-legged visitors she met as long- lost friends.

Ron advised that Rock Wilkins is our next speaker talking about his NYSF experience.



Stuart showed us his Powerpoint display and spoke on “Growing up in the Western Suburbs” which was really Oz wide in the 1940’s and 50’s. He touched on the Royal Visit in 1954, sports (Davis Cup wins by Oz) 1954 Footscray footy premiership (where they beat my mob, Melbourne - thanks for the reminder Stuart), Roger Bannister breaking the four- minute mile also in 1954, 1953 Mt Everest conquered etc.

Also he reminded us of the first drive in theatre in the Southern Hemisphere was at Burwood (and I can remember my folks taking me there in the first week and parking outside on the road to watch without sound.) Many movies, Roy Rogers etc, meccano sets, Redex car trial and oh so much more.

Great job Stuart and well enjoyed by us all.

Raffle raised \$56 and Sergeant \$32.

Bob W

### **Sergeant's Reflection 12 February 2018**

With the theme for February being “Peace and Conflict Prevention and Resolution” I put together a few words about family violence and the part some Rotary clubs are playing in trying to reduce the problem.

Rotary members have discussed that when ending polio seemed insurmountable, Rotary stepped in so why can't we assist with reducing the incidence of family violence?

A woman is killed each week in Australia through family violence which is a small percentage of those injured which again is a small percentage of unreported cases.

Last year several Carlton Football players travelled to help the Rotary Club of Maryborough Victoria with their SayNo2family violence campaign which urges people to openly talk about the issue via social media posts and promotional posters. The whole town has benefitted.

There are many Men's behaviour change programs I have been made aware of locally and around Victoria. I attended my Community House's Family violence committee meeting last week where we had a speaker whom I found lived down the road from me and he volunteers in such a program and knows the worth of these type of programs with feedback from men such as “I've learned a new way to deal with my ex-partner which benefits her and our children.”

The Rotary club of Brighton in 1995 launched a Violence Free Families program which since then has raised over \$750,000 for the program and has been endorsed by all the clubs and Women in Rotary in their District. RC Bendigo is behind assisting the victims of family violence.

Our club has supported indigenous training at our local Community House which meant that the government funding for their family violence program can continue. The House runs various group programs with one being a structured group program “Living Safe and Free” which discusses safety, post-traumatic stress, assertiveness etc. Another is also a group program “Women Stepping Forward together” which provides a safe and non-judgemental forum for victims to discuss their issues. The House also provides free child care for the women whilst in sessions at the House. Our club had their coordinator as a guest speaker a couple of years ago. I worked with her when we were both at Good Shepherd.

This alarming issue is as prevalent in Whitehorse as anywhere else so let’s not be complacent and assist to reduce the incidence of family violence in our area.

Bob

### District Conference - Bendigo Fri 2nd – Sun 4th March 2018

16 attendees !!

Accommodation - LAKEVIEW MOTOR INN

Club Dinner Reservation made at NATIONAL HOTEL/MOTEL for Friday 2nd March

Program details [www.9810rotaryconference.org.au/program.html](http://www.9810rotaryconference.org.au/program.html)

### End Trachoma

The purpose of the ‘EndTrachoma by 2020’ [Trachoma Live](http://www.endtrachoma2020.org.au) event is to inform, communicate with, and enlighten as many Rotarians and friends about Trachoma in Australia.

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# TRACHOMA LIVE

DAILY 5PM EDST 19-25 FEB 2018

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with SPECIAL GUESTS

PRESIDENT IAN RISELEY, ROTARY INTERNATIONAL  
DR. ANTHONY SOLOMON, WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION  
PROF. KERRY ARABENA, INDIGENOUS HEALTH EQUITY UNIT  
PROF. HUGH TAYLOR, INDIGENOUS EYE HEALTH  
GWEN TROUTMAN-WEIR, AUSTRALIAN TRACHOMA ALLIANCE

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Australia remains the only first world nation where trachoma still persists, prevalent in a number of our remote indigenous communities. The long-term solution rests with hygiene and education and this is where Rotary's Trachoma Project has a role.

A line-up of international and specialist speakers, including RI President Ian Riseley will show DAILY and LIVE on our Facebook page from Monday 19th February 2018.

Each live event will run for only 10 minutes or so, but if you miss it, don't fret, videos will be available afterwards on the EndTrachoma by 2020 Facebook page, as well as YouTube. Send through your questions for the live series over Facebook, or to [lien@endtrachoma2020.org.au](mailto:lien@endtrachoma2020.org.au).

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## BREAKFAST CLUB

Barb and Judy L started the year off last Tuesday morning at Forest Hill College. Due to fake turf being laid in front of the breaky club canteen the cooking was carried out near the pizza oven. Once Ben organised the **heavy-duty** extension cords, it went well! Before that it went with a bang.



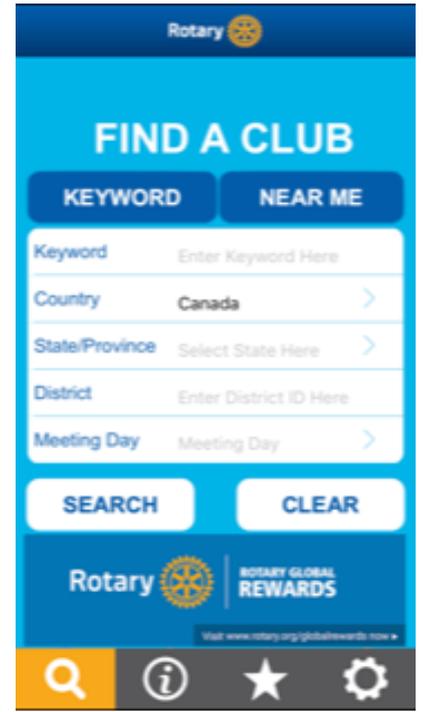
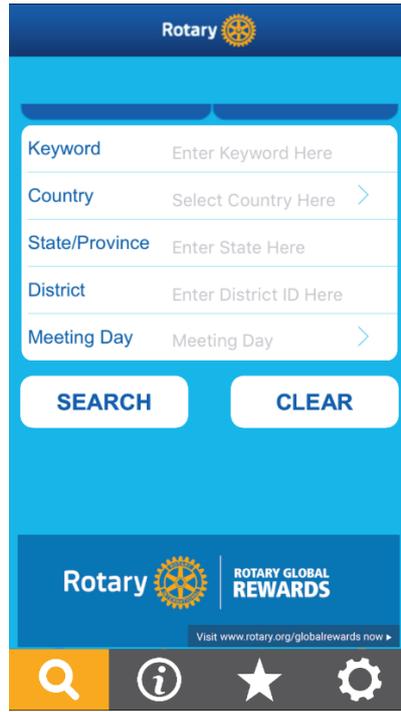
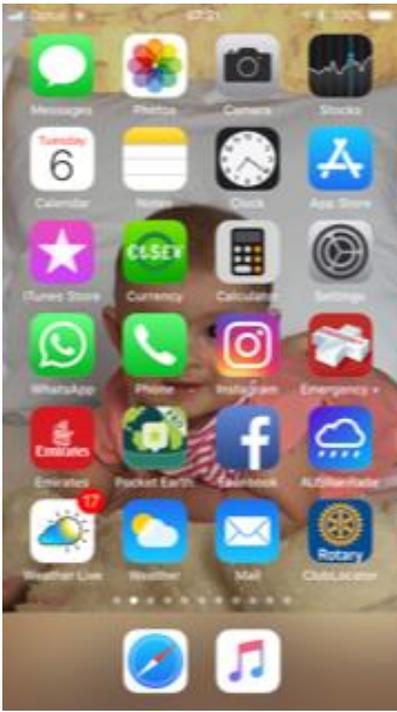
Next week Robbie and Bob L will pick up the culinary cudgels. What dramas will they overcome!!

## Podcast

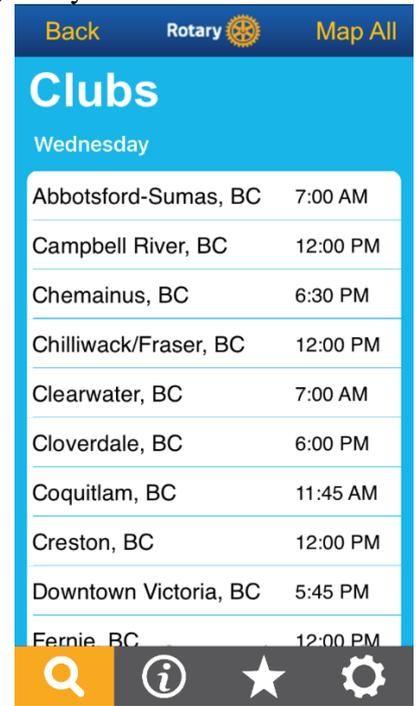
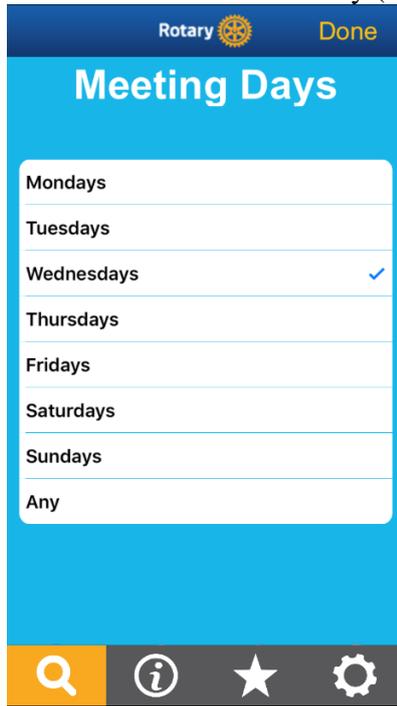
Episode 28 of five minute Forest Hill is now available- contact Mike

## A useful Rotary App

If you are travelling in this country or overseas, how do you find a local Rotary Club to visit? For the past couple of years I've been using this App on my telephone, particularly when overseas (see 1st picture bottom right hand side- called Rotary Club Locator). When you click on the App you see the 2nd picture where you can insert details like Country (3rd picture).



Next you select the State or Province (4th picture) which you are given (or if you know you can put in the Rotary District if you know, though I never know). Then you put in what day of the week you want to visit a club (see 5th picture), and up come the clubs that meet on that day (6th picture). Easy!



You can find the App by going to the App store and searching for Rotary Club Locator. It is FREE.

Ron Brooks

**ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES**

February                      Peace & Conflict Prevention/ Resolution  
 March                            Water and Sanitation

**ARTICLES**

Newsletter articles to [rlaslett76@gmail.com.au](mailto:rlaslett76@gmail.com.au) by 5 pm Wednesday please.