



**The Flyer
2017-2018**



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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

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Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Rotary Club Forest Hill

CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report
19 Mar	My new job, Hansard, State Parliament <i>Mike Finke</i>	Sue Ballard	Stuart Williams
26 March	Earth angels <i>Reg Shiel / Warren Sparrow</i>	BOARD Bob Williams	Glenys Grant
2 April	No meeting		
9 April	East Timor Lighting Project <i>Pat Armstrong</i>	Stuart Williams	Chris Tuck

CELEBRATIONS

Happy birthday to Mike Finke (20 March) Congratulations on their club anniversaries to John McPhee (22 March) and Stuart Williams (21 March).

DUTY ROSTER

	MARCH	APRIL
Recorder	Sue Ballard	Bob Williams
Greeter	Barbara Williams	Barbara Searle
Emergency	John Donaghey	Barbara Williams
Cashier	Ray Smith	Bob Laslett

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

.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

I'm sure you have all recovered from the conference but this is my first chance to say 'Thank You' to all who attended and helped Judy and me to have a very enjoyable weekend. Great company, great speakers and great food always makes for a successful outcome.

Congratulations to Box Hill Central for putting on such a wonderful event. It is a great deal of work and is a credit to the club that it all came together so well.



Yesterday Bob Laslett, Mike Finke and Warwick Stott joined me at a Vice Regal Reception at Government House to recognise the work of Ian Riseley as RI President for the 2017-2018 year. An honour and recognition that is well deserved as a result of the years of hard work Ian has contributed to Rotary. With 1,000 plus people all arriving at the same time and trying to enter through the one entrance it was a logistical nightmare. However, eventually we were all in the Great Hall/Ballroom for the proceedings to start at 3.00pm sharp. By about 3.10pm it was all over! For those who had travelled from the far corners of the state it may have seemed a little brief!!! However, it did give everyone a chance to catch up with friends and have a look around the gardens and the beautiful building. The drive home in peak hour traffic convinced me that retirement and shopping locally were great options.

Looking forward to having Mike as our guest speaker next week when he will tell us about his new job as a Hansard reporter at Parliament.

Don't forget the Cluster Volunteering Forum on the 18th April. 6.30pm in the Waratah Room at the Whitehorse Civic Centre. We need all members to give us as many names as possible of people who may be interested in attending so that we can send them an invitation. On the night we will only need 4-5 members to attend.

Thanks to all who worked to make the two markets successful last weekend. Fortunately we always seem to have a ready supply of hard working members volunteering so that the load is shared around.

Our April markets are split with the WFM on the 8th and the Blackburn Market on the 14th. Please pop them onto your calendars. (I know!! They are already there.)

Remember there will be no meeting on the 2nd April. (Easter Monday)

The next Film Night will be on the 8th April. With a break this month I hope there is a great list of films to choose from for April.

It has taken a while but MASH have now been officially added to the list of sponsoring clubs for the Rotaract Club of Whitehorse where they join Mitcham, Forest Hill, Nunawading, Box Hill Central and Box Hill.

Don't forget book your tickets for the Peridot Theatre on the 7th June. Bookings through Trybooking or direct with Mike. We have 200 seats to sell so bring along your friends and relatives. With our club doing the catering you know the pre-performance nibbles and the supper will be great and the show is always first class. Book early so we know how our sales are going.

Some dates for your diaries.

Monday 19th March – Mike Finke – Life as a Hansard Reporter

Monday 26th March - Reg Sheil and Warren Sparrow – "Earth Angels"

Monday 2nd April – No Meeting (Easter Monday)

Friday 6th April – Film Night

Sunday 8th April – WFM

Monday 9th April –Pat Armstrong – "East Timor Lighting Project"

Saturday 14th April – Blackburn Market

Wednesday 18th April -Cluster Volunteering Forum

Did You Know?

You are 14% more likely to die on your birthday than any other day in the year. (Whew! Glad my birthday has just passed.)

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

Meeting Report 5 March

There were 12 people present with Chris Stott in her peaked cap as Warwick's official chauffer. Sergeant Stuart opened with thought-provoking reflections, then handed over to chairman for the night PP John McPhee. Stuart used contacts at the conference to further the plans to send a large donation of school items to Thailand, Bob Laslett told us that Glenys and Barb W were cooking breakfast the next morning at Forest Hill College. Glenys told us she, Sue and Barbara had attended the district youth forum and had selected Gemma to speak at one of our later meetings. Warwick reminded us that he is seeking names **for our membership drive**. Stuart blew the whistle to remind us to sign up for footy tipping. In his role as sergeant \$28.10 was raised for the Rotary Foundation.



For the meeting part John asked each of those who had been to conference to comment on their highlights and lowlights. There was particular interest in the comments of first-time attendees Sue and Mike. Sue was not sure what to expect but enjoyed the variety of speakers, the different projects, organisation and the stimulating ideas. She thought we sat down too long. Mike enjoyed those speakers that went behind the symptoms to deal with real problems and highlighted David Burt's SALT program, Mark Bella's Operation Toilets and Murray Baird's regulation of charities. Jordan Nguyen's artificial intelligence and virtual reality talk scored highly with several commentators. Walk the talk, Purple House, Working Dogs, Kirsty Gusmao and the speakers that demonstrated what they had achieved through Rotary's help all received votes. John D did not like the Saturday night music. Chair John made appropriate comments after each commentator. We were then treated to Bob Williams edited video of RIPPR Per Hoyen's first address and Jordan's presentation.

Chair John closed the meeting promptly at 8pm

Sergeant's Reflection 5 March 2018

I thought it was appropriate on Oscar Night to reflect on why we still love to watch movies.

Movies take us to places we've never been and inside the skin of people quite different from ourselves. They offer us a window into the wider world, broadening our perspective and opening our eyes to new wonders. Movies offer us a chance to escape.

Are movies windows into worlds unseen? Some of us want to be more than ourselves. Some want to see with other eyes, to imagine with other imaginations, to feel with other hearts, as well as our own.

But, cinema is more than a window. It's also a magnifying glass.

Movies also are much more than just stories. Movies can capture, probe and explore the world in ways no other medium can. Movies are visceral. The brain provides us with chemical rewards (serotonin, dopamine and oxytocin) when our emotions are engaged. Movies provide easy methods of rewards.

Movies reanimate the wonder and the mystery of the world we know and of course, movies gave some of us a chance to have our first kiss, in the dark, in the back row, of the cinema.

Some fines:

Harrison Ford is getting so old, his next movie is going to be called - Indiana Bones and the Battle with Osteoporosis.

How did Reece eat her ice-cream? Whitherspoon.

What do you get if you cross a frog and a pig? A lifetime ban from the Muppet Show Studios.

What do you call the Tom Cruise movie about cooking? A few good menus.

Stu

Footy tipping

Make sure you sign up for our Footy Tipping competition. ESPN Footy Tipping.. footytips.com.au Our competition is called Kickgoals18

Footy starts at the end of this week.

Please ask you sons and daughters to join. Sign up your sport mad grandchildren.

Cost \$30. It is easy to tip in advance if you head off on holidays. Weekly and end of year prizes.

Just go to www.Footytips.com.. click on Competitions.

Create a username and a password. If you were a member last year you can use the same details.

Stuart

BREAKFAST CLUB

Barbara and Glenys have done two weeks of sterling service. Next week it is Barbara and Bob L pretending to be master chefs.

Volunteering with Rotary

Wednesday 18th April from 6.30 pm
Whitehorse Council Offices
Waratah Room
379/397 Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading
RSVP: 10th April
to Bill Marsh: bjmarsh@bigpond.net.au

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

March	Water and Sanitation
April	Maternal & Child Health

ARTICLES

Newsletter articles to rlaslett76@gmail.com.au by 5 pm Wednesday please.