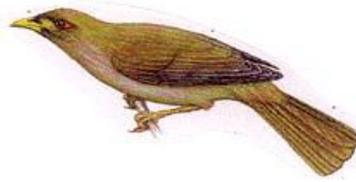


**Rotary**  
Club of Forest Hill



## The Flyer 2016-2017



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3 April 2017

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Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Rotary Club Forest Hill

### CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report
3 Apr	Conference Review	Stuart Williams	John McPhee
10 Apr	Royal Flying Doctor Service	Glenys Grant	Chris Tuck
17 Apr	No meeting- Easter Monday		
24 Apr	No meeting- Anzac Day		
1 May	New members evening	Bill Marsh	Warwick Stott

### CELEBRATIONS

A quiet week

### DUTY ROSTER

	APRIL	MAY
<b>Recorder</b>	Martine Macleod-Craig	Ron Brooks
<b>Greeter</b>	Barbara Searle	Bob Williams
<b>Emergency</b>	Warwick Stott	Glenys Grant
<b>Cashier</b>	Mike Finke	Gary Baltissen

## 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

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.

## PRESIDENT JOHN'S JOTTINGS

What a privilege it was last night to meet with the Box Hill High School recipients of the Gysi-Davis Award. When speaking with one of the parents, she stated, what a difference this award has made to her family, being able to meet school fees, free of the family budgeting provisions. It was also great that Cobie and Gary were able to attend and chat with each of the students and their respective parent.

In addition we enjoyed a genealogy trip through the newspapers to trace what mischief our ancestors got up to, using the search “trove” to lead to news print history.

Our raffle raised \$63.00 and the fines bowl \$33.80.

Coming up – Membership night 1 May. Time is coming up fast. Please give every effort to support your membership committee.

Fellowship film night 6 April

RAM fundraiser 28 April

Rotaract Monopoly 29 April

Blackburn & Whitehorse markets

Peridot Theatre 7 June. Tickets go on sale shortly and we will benefit about \$20 for each ticket sold.

From the Board, we are reminded that updating of working with children needs attention and if help is required, online services are planned for Monday 8 May. Risk assessments required for all club activities and service chair persons will need to follow through.

Next meeting members attending District 9810 conference will report on Rotary events that occurred during the weekend.

John

## THIS WEEK'S MEETING

It was a busy night with both presentations of the Ford Davis Endeavour Awards for Year 11 Box Hill High students and a guest speaker. Consequently, there was no Sergeants Session.

Stuart Williams reported that there are 23 starters for the footy tipping competition and Entertainment Books are available for sale.

Glenys Grant reported there are 14 schools participating in MUNA.

It was great to have Cobie and Garry Davis present for the Box Hill High presentations.

Also at the meeting were the 3 mothers of the Box Hill High students.

### **Ford Davis Endeavour Awards.**

Present were 3 students from Box Hill High who had each received \$1000 to assist with their education in Year 11.

These three students will also receive another \$1000 for their Year 12 education on completion of a successful Year 11.

The winners were Ashley Beh, Anita Nguyen and Rock Wilkins.



Gary Davis spoke of the background to the awards and the role Ford Davis played in establishing the Club and the fact that Ford's sons attended Box Hill High. Gary described the award as "the red hot go award", in other word encouraging the students to make the most of their opportunities.

Each of the 3 students then spoke of their education so far and how they will use the funds which include extra tutoring and the purchase of a computer.

Since 2010-2011, 21 students have received this award.

The Club greatly appreciates the work the Davis family does for the Club and Youth particularly these awards and the Apprentice Awards as well as other projects.

Thanks to Shareen Botterill of Box High for assisting with these awards.

#### **Guest Speaker Jenny Harkness Topic Genealogy**



Jenny provided an over view of some of the resources available to those who wish to trace their family tree and find out more about their distant relatives.

To commence this work she suggested starting with the living. Be aware a lot of information is available on line.

Resources include, Gov. Dept. Births, Marriages and Deaths, Newspapers including country, Books etc.

Country newspapers are particularly good sources of information as they contain a lot of social information.

A particularly good starting point is a free Gov. website called TROVE which is based on the digitization of newspapers particularly around the time of the First World War. This website has a search function.

Jenny then described some examples of searches relating to her own family.

President John McPhee then closed the meeting. The raffle raised \$63 and the Bowl \$33.

Chris Tuck

## Sergeant Reflection 27 March 2017

I thought I'd share some thoughts about Stuart's and my second home, the MCG.

There have been many celebrities at the ground over the years and Saturday night we had two more, Kira and Mike Finke who along with six German exchange students plus Aussie mates made a group of sixteen to be part of nearly 80,000 people seeing the Dons resurgence.

Tour guide Stuart took over and we left Barbara to look after our seats while the group walked around the member's area looking into the Long Room and Dining room before going into the MCC museum for a look at the treasures on display. Stuart told our visitors that Melbourne was named in 1835 and the Melbourne cricket Club was formed three years later in 1838. The MCG was built in 1853 and is the 10th largest stadium in the world and the largest in the Southern Hemisphere, able to seat 100,000.

Our other museum guide showed us a model of an early stand from the 1860s which seated 2000 with the seats able to face one way to see the cricked played on the ground then the other way to see football played on the park behind. We told the guide we had some German students so he took a particular interest in them and hopefully they enjoyed the museum visit.

I recall lining up for the 1955 Grand Final with my dad as then you simply lined up, bought your ticket and saw the game.

The grounds seating and MCC membership was enlarged for the 1956 Olympic Games which was when my dad became a member and in those days members received a ladies ticket which kids up to 15 could use so I went often to the ground using this ticket before becoming a member myself.

The 1970 grand final saw over 121,000 attend and I recall seeing many thousands sitting within the boundary line and many others sitting on top of the Southern Stand roof. Needless to say that practice was stopped for future matches.

Our museum guide told us that before 1877, when England played Australia in cricket, the Poms fielded an 11 while the weaker Aussie team was able to have 18 players, until the Aussies improved enough to test the Poms where the name "Test" match originated, so from 1877 onwards both sides fielded 11 players. The first test was played at the MCG in 1877 which Australia won by 45 runs and one hundred years later at the Centenary test Australia again won by 45 runs.

Our guide showed us a penny farthing bicycle as in 1869 the first bicycle race was held at the MCG which also hosted tennis matches early on.

I've attended many concerts there, the Rolling Stones, Paul McCartney etc but my fondest memories are of watching all bar two of the Grand Finals played there since 1955.

The MCC and MCG are both Melbourne and Australian Institutions.

## End Polio Now

We are so close to eradicating Polio. But... we are not there yet. Last year there were 37 cases globally. This year World Health Organisation has recorded 4 cases of polio. Two each in Pakistan and Afghanistan. WHO is about to give 116 million children, under the age of 5, the polio vaccine in 13 countries in west and central Africa. This effort will involve 190,000 vaccinators, many of them Rotarians. They hope to achieve all this in four days this week. One of the reasons for this effort is that 3 cases of polio were discovered in Borno, in northeast Nigeria, last year. Nigeria was expected to be declared polio free this year. They had not had a case of polio notified for 2 years. The virus has to be totally eliminated.

International Director - Stuart Williams

## MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT NIGHT

### Monday 1 May

Have you investigated possibly buying a new car? If so, did you ask the salesman if they are interested in learning more about Rotary

Have you asked your accountant, solicitor, car service manager, pharmacist, acquaintance in the park when walking the dog, plumber, electrician, son, daughter, neighbour if they would like to come to this meeting?

Please let John Mc, Bill or Warwick know of who you have arranged to come on 1<sup>st</sup> May



## DIARY DATES

Fri 31 March -Sun 2 Apr District 9810 Conference

Fri 7 Apr Film night

Sat 8 Apr Blackburn market

Sun 9 Apr **Eggs and bacon at Whitehorse Farmer's Market**

## ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

April Maternal and Child Health

## ARTICLES

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