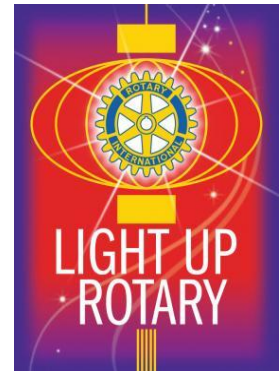




**Weekly Newsletter**

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**CLUB PROGRAM**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Thanks/meeting report</u>
30 <sup>th</sup> March	Bucatini Partners meal	No meeting	Ron Brooks
6 <sup>th</sup> April	No meeting EASTER		
13 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Membership meeting</b>	<b>Warwick Stott</b>	<b>Ron Brooks</b>
20 <sup>th</sup> April	Roger Coates <i>Anzac Day</i>	John McPhee	Ray Smith

**THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS**

31 <sup>st</sup> March	Joan Sharman	Birthday
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Gary Baltissen	Birthday
1 <sup>st</sup> April	John Donaghey	Club anniversary



**DUTY ROSTER**

	<b>March</b>	<b>April</b>
Cashier	Warwick Stott	Glenys Grant
Recorder	Ray Smith	Chris Tuck
Greeter	Bob Williams	Ron Brooks
Emergency	Stuart Williams	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 9878 4891 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

**\*\*\*\*\*Footie tipping competition starting in a few days. See Stuart now and be one of the big WINNERS !!!! \*\*\*\*\***

## BILL'S BLURB

### Coming Up:

#### 12 April WHITEHORSE FARMERS MARKET EGG & BACON STALL

12 April Nunawading 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday celebration (see page 3)

17 May DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

14 Sept DG visit

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

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Ten club members attended and welcomed guests Jasmine (our NYSF winner) and James Gan, visiting Rotarians Ken Wall and Ken Sharpe (Templestowe).

Members applauded Sergeant Stuart Williams who opened the 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting in President Bill Marsh's year. He spoke of Malcolm Fraser, now deceased, as a wonderful Statesman, with such amazing heart and soul, who valued everyone regardless of race, colour or circumstance. Stuart likened him to the many committed Rotarians. He then gave the official toasts to Rotary International and Australia

**Chairman Bob Williams** then introduced President Bill Marsh and asked for reports.

**President Bill Marsh**, asked members to participate in mock interviews at Kingswood College on Tuesday April 28. 4 members agreed to attend. He congratulated Ron Brooks on his Conference Bike ride--- Ron clocked up 635km. He also thanked members for their recent support. **Acting Secretary Bill Marsh** (in Ron's absence) thanked members for their prompt reports. He invited members to the Partners social event next Monday night. **Treasurer Warwick Stott** presented

All accounts for perusal to the Board, and thanked members for their volunteering for the April egg and bacon Whitehorse Market stand. **John McPhee, Fellowship** spoke of upcoming Fellowship events **Ray Smith, Program**, explained future program highlights, including Roger Coates Anzac talk on April

20. **Glenys Grant, Youth Service**, spoke of MUNA, of two candidates from Forest Hill College representing Brazil, and two from Kingswood College, representing Australia. Event is 2---3 May, members invited. **Chris Tuck, International**, reported of the need to support Vanuatu following the

Crisis this week. **Bob Laslett, Community and Vocational**, reported the term end of a successful Breakfast Club at FHC **Warwick Scott, Membership**, spoke of the Membership night in 3 weeks time. 60 Invites are going out **Chairman Bob** then introduced **Sargent Stuart Williams** whose stimulating and laughter filled session raised \$36.10.

The Chair then introduced our National Youth Science Fellow, **Jasmine Gan**, who tabled her written report of her time in Canberra at this Rotary Science Forum. She spoke of how unique this two week program really is and how valuable and life changing for participants. Some of the highlights of her talk were:

- Initial help with preparation for District interviews.
- Icebreaker and 'getting to know each other' activities
- Six scheduled well chosen lab visits, with own hands on participation
- Two official seminars
- Informative science presentations and seminars – but more interactive than normal classes
- Skills gained in Public Speaking and communication sharing during debate and opinion forums
- Interacting personally and directly with key scientists and others in the field.
- Career advice from eminent people like Senator Kate Lundy

- Social side, with Rotary Science dinners
- Leadership skills development
- Teamwork
- Her future plans

Jasmine then thanked the Club and Rotary International for this life changing experience. She was congratulated on her excellent talk and presented with a Ray Smith finely crafted wooden pen. We certainly think there is

a very bright future ahead for this wonderful young woman and she returned to her seat amidst loud applause. Next Chairman Bob introduced a very welcome returning Guest Speaker --- Templestowe Rotarian Ken Wall, who talked about the ABCDreams program and how it is extending further its international borders. Ken Wall and Ken Sharpe tabled a current ABCD Project summary that showed amazing progress and careful shepherding of this 5 year project. To date revenue in Child sponsorship has reached \$118,525, in Building and infrastructure \$100,100, while its food program is \$1,150. Ken gave a figure of 57 million children who are not being school educated in the World. He mentioned this

was a low estimate, as it does not include children working in slavery. ABCD is working to change that. He

emphasised the following:

- ABCD is now working on long term instead of yearly projects
- More sustainable projects
- The team now fully discuss and negotiate with the country what is required so the country towns and acknowledges the project.
- A possible nine other countries will be included.
- RMIT faculty of Engineering is designing a portable, durable, cyclone proof schoolroom.
- Costs to now provide schooling for children in Fiji have reduced to \$125.00 per child per year
- Deakin University's Global Citizens students are still well involved and will renovate schools in Oct/Nov 2015, with a team of Rotarians and tradie helpers.

Ken commended RCFH for the past participation and tremendous help in getting Fijian children to school. He now asks if we will help with an urgent renovation of two adjoining schools – Primary and Special Education, who are in dire need of help and renovation. He showed some slides of what is currently there. Glenys Grant and the members and guests then thanked Ken Wall and Ken Sharpe for their visionary approach to this on--going project and Ken Wall for his comprehensive talk. President Bill Marsh then closed the meeting, saying it is likely that at least \$3000.00 will be given to this worthwhile project. The raffle raised \$47.00, and guest James Gan won the first prize. I would like to add that this was an exceptionally good and stimulating evening and thanks must be given to Ray Smith for organising yet another great program. Board meetings followed.

*Notes by Glenys Grant*

## **EGG AND BACON DUTIES AT FARMERS' MARKET SUN 12<sup>th</sup> APRIL**

The club is in need of assistance at the egg and bacon stall on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April, requiring five people at each of 3 shifts.

We would appreciate help from past members, friends of Rotary, and families of Rotarians, -- we already have a partner and a son-in-law helping--because in a club of our size we need more helpers than the total number of our members.

So, if you can spare an enjoyable two hour spell under the Rotary tent with the pleasant smells of cooking food, please contact Warwick on 0412444393.

The shifts are 7am to 9am, 9am to 11am, and 11am to 12.30pm

## HOPE KATOLA NURSERY SCHOOL-ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

We this year decided to order its Entertainment Books through Hope Katola Nursery School. We have supported this wonderful enterprise for a number of years and they will receive our commission directly.

Please contact Stuart Williams directly if you wish to order or go directly to Leanne, and say you are from Forest Hill Rotary.

## THANKYOU from Eastern Health Foundation

Stuart met up with Carolyn Schuwalow at the district conference and later she sent him an email as follows

*"I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and all the members of the Rotary Club of Forest Hill for all your support and generosity to the Box Hill Hospital in the past in particular your support in 2012 by providing three floor line beds. Our patients and staff appreciate this very much. If your club is considering supporting this hospital in the future or are interested in a particular project or program that they provide, please contact me and I'd be delighted to discuss this with you."*

## BIKE RIDE FROM CONFERENCE

The riders were split into four teams depending on ability etc. I was in the second group. It turned out that at 73, I was the oldest rider of the 51 riding. The weather was relatively kind with only two days when we had to ride in the rain for a few hours. The result was

Ballarat to Ararat	87kms	late start waved off by conference attendees
Ararat to Horsham	112kms	
Horsham to Hamilton	135kms	a big day
Hamilton to Warrnambool	112kms	
Warrnambool to Colac	100kms	Fish&chips for lunch at Port Campbell
Colac to Ballarat	105kms	via Buninyong !!!
TOTAL	651kms	The most I've ever ridden in 6 days

We went to Rotary meetings on five nights and two other clubs hosted us for lunch. At Balmoral we had lunch at the local school with students from kinder to yr 12 and I think we outnumbered the whole school. The students had been taught to be baristas and to run a café to help them get jobs so they churned out the full variety of types of coffee.



Sight seeing on the cheap!

## STAMPS

Please keep cutting out all the stamps you get on your snail mail leaving about a 1cm margin and give them to me. Carol Farmer and her team are ready to snip and sort them. They are looking for work to do.

### SPECIAL BUCATINI NIGHT ON 30<sup>th</sup> MARCH

We are eating “a la carte” in the main restaurant. Make sure partners know and all our honorary members and Friends of Rotary. It is still 6:15pm for 6:30pm.

Club members will have a short (10min?) meeting at 6:30pm while everyone else gathers in the main restaurant for a drink, chat and placing meal order. This way, when we sit down to eat, we don't wait long for a meal.

It's a great opportunity to catch up with all the gossip.

### ROTARY CLUB OF NUNAWADING 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Sunday April 12 at 12noon at The Karralyka Centre Mines Rd Ringwood

Cost \$60 per person, drinks at bar prices

Please contact Bob Laslett before March 31 to book a place.

### FOREST HILL DONATION TO RAWCS-VANUATU

We donate a \$500 cheque to the charity of choice of the club that wins the Conference Golf Day. The RC of Beaumaris won this year and asked us to donate the money to RAWCS-Vanuatu. We found out that from now on the District golf day will not be held on the day prior to the Conference but some time in April. We have agreed to continue giving out a \$500 winner's cheque. DGE David Tolstrup is delighted that we agreed.

### FOREIGN COINS for UNICEF

At Conference, I picked up 18.1kg of coins and a wad of notes from PDG Bob Richards (RC of Sandringham ) who started a collection in his year then could not find who to give them to. In it was a large collection tin labeled RC of Waverley. RC of Boronia want me to pick up coins from them. So look at the back of those drawers and see if there are any more coins (or notes) lurking about.

### MEMBERSHIP NIGHT MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> APRIL

All members have been given an area of the City of Whitehorse to obtain the names, business names and addresses with phone numbers of possible people for the next membership meeting. Please give FINAL names to Warwick by next Monday evening at the latest.

## WEBINARS

You can find 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....bed?

### MEMBERSHIP WEBINAR

To register for the remaining webinars in the **Membership Matters!** webinar series please visit <http://www.rotary.org/webinars>

View the recording of the **Simple Steps to Innovate Your Club** webinar:

<https://vimeo.com/118740192>

View and download the **PowerPoint presentation**:

<http://slidesha.re/1yIVDYT>

Join the conversation in the **Membership Best Practices discussion group**:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/exchange-ideas/groups/membership-best-practices>

View a recording of **Parts 1 and 2 in the Membership Matters!** series:

<http://vimeo.com/103365589> (Part 1)

<http://vimeo.com/108381769> (Part 2)

## 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**

**Projects for All:** You can link to projects which provide connections to children and to every age group to centenarians. From Lego Collecting and Books for Babies through to Card Writing for the Elderly; Rotary offers something for you.



Hand brake turn Cluster meeting \$5,400 cheque presentation- Fabulous Night



Leaving Ballarat

## **CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES 2014-15**

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

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