



**The Flyer
2017-2018**



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

President: Bill Marsh

Number 35

Club address:

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Meeting location:

Meeting time:

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

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Rotary Club Forest Hill

23 April 2018

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CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report
23 April	Shrine of Remembrance <i>Shirley Devery</i>	Bob Laslett	Bill Marsh
30 April	Bucatini with partners		
7 May	The mystery of fairyland, Kew <i>Peter Nicolas</i>	Glenys Grant	Sue Ballard
14 May	Club Forum <i>Mike Finke</i>	Mike Finke	Ray Smith

CELEBRATIONS

Happy birthday to John McPhee on 26 April. Congratulations to Ron and Robbie Brooks for their wedding anniversary on 28 April.

DUTY ROSTER

	APRIL	MAY
Recorder	Bob Williams	Ron Brooks
Greeter	Barbara Searle	Glenys Grant
Emergency	Barbara Williams	Mike Finke
Cashier	Bob Laslett	Chris Tuck

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

Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268



On Wednesday the Whitehorse Cluster of clubs held a joint Volunteering Forum in the Waratah Room at the Whitehorse Arts Centre.

Three excellent speakers and a number of displays showcased the wide range of volunteering opportunities available through the club programs. Rotarians were on hand to explain the projects and answer any general questions about Rotary and how it operates.

From the feedback from guests the evening was very well received and a number have indicated an interest in the volunteering opportunities highlighted and in joining Rotary.

My thanks to Bob Laslett, Glenys Grant and Barb & Bob Williams who all gave up their evening to take part. A magnificent collection of food was donated and passed on to Eastern Emergency Relief.

Peridot Theatre tickets are moving steadily and RC of Nunawading are getting behind the night and are hoping to sell around 30 tickets. Thanks to Harvey Lane who has been a great supporter and to the club who have cancelled their regular meeting so they can attend the theatre. We will be visiting a number of clubs this week to encourage them to support the evening. Hopefully if a couple more can emulate Nunawading's effort we will have a sell-out night. A great night is guaranteed.

At the Board meeting committee chairs were encouraged to have all projects completed by the end of May so that the accounts can all be finalized in time for Changeover.

The Board also endorsed our club becoming the sponsor club for the next stage (fit-out) of the Rumbek School Project. Bob Williams has been nominated as the co-ordinator supported by Joady Barnes from RC Manningham.

John McPhee and I will be attending a Vice Regal Morning Tea at Government House on the 4th June as guests of Taralye. This reception was scheduled to occur several weeks ago but was deferred by Government House. Our next scheduled Film Night on the 4th May has been cancelled. I will be away, Bob Williams and Mike will be involved in a Presidents' Meeting and Ron will be back in Dubai. We will get organized again for the June Film Night.

John McPhee and I attended a Thank You evening at Bunnings last Thursday. The evening was for all of the clubs/groups involved in Bunnings' Sausage Sizzles. It was interesting to hear how much goes back into the community as a result of these events – approx. \$30 million. It was also interesting to hear how much other community involvement Bunnings is involved in. They employ one person full time and one part time just to cover their community work. While Saturday & Sunday are the key days at Bunnings they are happy to provide the facilities for groups who want to run a bbq at any other time. John McPhee is keen for us to have a crack at getting another gig in the week leading up to Christmas. The Board has approved John lodging an application. Bunnings will also provide donations to be used as raffle prizes, etc.

District Assembly will be on Sunday 20th May at Deakin University. It would be good to have as many as possible attend, particularly chairs of the different committees and members who have not attended previously. I cannot attend this year as I will be driving back from Adelaide that afternoon.

Dates for your calendar

- 26th April - Cluster Presidents Meeting
- 30th April - Partners Night in Bucatini
- 4th May - Presidents' Meeting
- 12th May - Blackburn Market
- 13th May - WFM – Egg & Bacon Stall
- 20th May - District Assembly, Deakin University
- 21st May - Board Meeting
- 28th May - Apprentice Awards
- 4th June - Youth Achievement Awards
- 7th June - Peridot Theatre – sell tickets!!
- 23rd June - Tree Planting at Blackburn Lake

Did You Know?

In 2011, only 9 of the 62 owners of apartments in One Hyde Park, London, the world's most expensive block of flats paid any council tax.

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

Meeting report April 16 2018

The meeting was opened by the acting sergeant Bob W with toasts to Australia and Rotary International. There were only 12 of us present. Bob W then continued sergeant Stuart's tradition of having a "Reflection" (reported elsewhere). He passed the meeting to Barbara S who was occupying the chair tonight. In the reports from the floor we heard that the Blackburn Market two days earlier earned us just \$100. It was so cold and threatening rain that most stallholders didn't turn up, the jazz group stopped playing (fingers too cold), and the club didn't charge the stall holders who soldiered on in cold wind and rain. Glenys updated us on MUNA 5th /6th May. There will be 40 teams with our club fielding two teams representing Jordan and Myanmar. Bob L will look after the Science Experience, and we have a possible two NYSF participants. Members brought along used stamps and foreign coins for our collections. The hot soup was excellent for this cooler weather. Ron reported on a make-up he had done at the RC of Jumeirah, Dubai. John M told us that two NADRASCA ladies have been nominated to receive Pride of Workmanship Awards of \$125 and a certificate to be presented on Tues 17th April. Also, Box Hill Institute have nominated the three apprentices to receive toolboxes this year and they will be coming to our club on May 22nd to receive them. The acting sergeant extracted \$24.60.

We then stopped for meals of steak or fish/chips/salad.



Our guest speaker was Peter McPhee (RC of Mitcham) who chairs Rotarians against Malaria (RAM) who was organised to speak now as it is World Malaria Day on 30th April. He told us there is a target to rid the world of malaria by 2025. Malaria is still endemic in 104 countries claiming the life of a child every two minutes. Bill Gates and Ray Chambers (the UN special envoy for malaria) issued a plan to eradicate the disease by 2040. RAM started its work in the Pacific region over 20 yrs ago Since then the rate of malaria has dropped from 70% of the population to less than 1% in parts of the Solomons and Timor Leste is on track to eliminate malaria in the next 2 years. RAM funds are used for treated bed and room nets which are effective for 4 years (so far they

have distributed 27,500 nets), for breeding ground destruction by spraying and educating children and adults to eliminate pools of stagnant water, provision of diagnostic equipment, and research. There are now 1st stage trials of a vaccine at the Walter & Eliza Institute and 2nd stage trials at Griffith University effective against all four strains of malaria.

Australian Rotary districts have responsibility for the Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, and PNG. In 2000, there were 200 people getting malaria out of every 1,000 people each year. Now there is only 1 in 1,000.

Peter told us he walked the Kokoda trail in 2002 with 18 others. He like everyone else was taking his daily anti malaria tablet. Six weeks later his malaria showed up. He was infected as the tablet is not effective against one of the four strains of malaria, and that is the one he got. The only person in his group to be infected. So far he has had two recurring bouts of malaria, but it also causes regular bouts of sweating and headaches. It also causes the spleen and liver to swell. Ron gave the Vote of Thanks and presented him with a hand- crafted cherry wood pen made by Ray.

The raffle raised \$44. Barbara S won and took home the red wine while Glenys won the white wine. Is it worth anyone else buying tickets?

Pres Bill closed the meeting promptly at 8pm.

Ron Brooks

Sergeant's Reflection 16 April 2018

Rotary International's new monthly theme for April is Maternal and Child Health!

Every day mothers risk their lives giving birth and millions of children die each year from treatable, preventable causes. At least 7 million children under the age of five die each year due to malnutrition, poor health care, and inadequate sanitation. To help reduce this rate, Rotary provides immunizations and antibiotics to babies, improves access to essential medical services, and supports trained health care providers for mothers and their children. Rotary's projects ensure sustainability by empowering the local community to take ownership of health care training programs.

Maternal and Child Health Care is also recognized as one of Rotary's Six Areas of Focus.

Our club should be proud of what we have been doing in this area supporting RAM, ROMAC, Interplast and other Health programs plus our African projects providing safe drinking water to communities.

I'm sure we all read with interest the ROMAC story in our current Flyer.

I look forward to Peter's address later tonight on the important work of Rotarians Against Malaria.

Bob

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

District Governor Malcolm Chiverton and District Governor-Elect Russell Gurney invite all Rotarians and Rotaractors to our 2018 District Assembly on **Sunday 20 May** at 9.00am at the Burwood Campus of Deakin University, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood 3125.

- DGE Russell will outline Rotary International and District 9810 directions for the new Rotary year.
- District Officers and Committee Chairs will outline strategies, plans, and activities for 2018-19 in engaging and interactive sessions.
- Key Club Officer workshop sessions will provide the latest tips and techniques.
- An informative new (er) members session is being offered.
- A special combined session for Presidents-Nominee and Presidents-Elect will be held.

There will be something for everyone. **Be the Inspiration** in your Club and Community in the coming year and reinforce to the world that we are **People of Action**.

We welcome all attendees to RSVP via the Club Registration form by **no later than Friday 27 April** to:

Carol Lawton
District 9810 Learning and Development
Coordinator clawton@melbpc.org.au

GIANT MONOPOLY



FOREST HILL COLLEGE BREAKFAST

After a false start last week, the reliable Stawell -gift team of Robbie and Barb will launch us into the new term next Tuesday. Still seeking more helpers.

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

April	Maternal & Child Health
May	Youth

ARTICLES

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