



Rotary
Club of Forest Hill



Weekly Newsletter

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Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132

Meeting time:

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

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CLUB PROGRAM

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Thanks/meeting report</u>
18 th April	Compassionate Friends Of Victoria	Ray Smith	Chris Tuck
25 th April	Andrew Weatherhead Board meeting follows No meeting		
27 th April	Joint meeting with Nunawading club At Bucatini Blackburn Crossing Authority Kerilyn Wyatt and Tayne	Nunawading	Bob Williams

THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS

17th April Merle and Ray Smith wedding anniversary



DUTY ROSTER

<u>ROSTER</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
Cashier	Stuart Williams	Glenys Grant
Recorder	Bob Laslett	Ray Smith
Greeter	John McPhee	Chris Tuck
Emergency	Bill Marsh	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 9878 4891 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

BOB'S BANTER

Great to have so many members and partners plus Joan Harper, Judy and Bill's daughter Delene and our new member Hans and his wife Anna.

Thank you to Bill for chairing and also for being a part of the dynamic duo with Bob Laslett, showing us around Sri Lanka with your patter and lovely photos. Bill, your bribes of chocolate to keep everyone alert but not alarmed also worked a treat.

Terrific to have Hans join us and he has jumped in feet first with working at the Blackburn market Saturday and he and Anna are helping out at the RYDA day on the 19th April. We still need one more volunteer for this day please. Stuart advised me that the two chalkies (Ray and Stuart) as cashier and recorder, actually **balanced** it all so very well done!

Thank you to all who volunteered their time for our two markets as the second weekend monthly is always busy but more so when we have the egg and bacon duties at the Whitehorse Farmers' market which we did Sunday. As usual, Warwick's family helped out cooking and selling our egg and bacon sangers as they have for several years now. Barbara and I did the collecting at Blackburn and again told the stallholders that their site location may change from now on as the rail underpass/path work continues. When I chalked out the sites Friday there were a number of trucks and utes parked where our stallholders were to be the next day and I was told by a worker that they would try to keep the work Saturday to a minimum. Kerilyn our liaison contact with the Rail Authority told me Saturday that she had told them that **NO** work was to be done to affect our market and she was as good as her word. Thanks Kerilyn.

Details of a farewell lunch for RIPN Ian Riseley and Juliet on the 19th June are later in this edition. So far we have the Lasletts and the Brooks going and I'm also going to join in the fun, so we need to finalise numbers soon.

A further reminder to put in your diary the interclub meeting with Nunawading on the 27th April to hear from the Blackburn Rail Crossing people. So far we have Bill, Warwick, Chris, Stuart and Bob W going and we will send around the tick sheet again on the 18th April to finalise.

Fortunately the MUNA committee's quick work has saved the MUNA weekend at Parliament House, coming up with the required extra money for the additional security now required.

It will be good to have a few of us attend one or more of the sessions on the 30th April and 1st May.

Thank you to Glenys and Barbara for their pancake making efforts at Forest Hill College on Tuesday.

Kathy and John Donaghey have our movie night details being prepared for this Friday 15th April with us meeting at Melba's for pre movie dinner. I'll arrange to collect any tickets needed.

I am off to Doncaster club Wednesday night to make an Interplast presentation and Thursday night to Keysborough golf club to present the Ford Davis Golf Award which is a cheque we donate to the charity of choice of the winning golf team.

I'm looking forward to hearing Andrew Weatherhead from Compassionate Friends of Victoria addressing us on Monday night.

We have our board meeting following the dinner meeting so board members please email your reports to Bill in time for him to distribute them to all.

Remember "Be a Gift to the World". President Bob

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

MEETING REPORT

As usual Sergeant Stuart opened the meeting with a brief, thoughtful reflection and toasts to Australia and RI.

Bill then took over as the Chair for the evening and welcomed our members, partners and guests.

Although it was an 'in-house' night it was very special as we had Hans & Anna Eecen with us – Hans was to be inducted later in the evening. It was also lovely to welcome Joan Harper and Bill & Judy's daughter, Delene.

Reports were then received from the President, Treasurer, Committee Chairpersons, Fellowship and Programme.

As part of his report President Bob noted that the club had had a very busy weekend with both the Blackburn and Whitehorse Farmers' Markets. He thanked the members, partners and family members who helped out at the two markets. In excess of \$1500 was raised at the markets.

Stuart was welcomed back to run his fines session which raised \$35.40 for Foundation. President Bob then conducted the induction ceremony to formally welcome Hans to our club and the wider world of RI. Hans has been active within the club for a number of months and tonight simply confirmed his status.

Bob Laslett and Bill then spoke about their recent trip to Sri Lanka and some of the many interesting and very different things they saw in their travels. A country of great beauty filled with hard working and friendly people.

President Bob thanked the speakers for their entertaining and educational presentation. The raffle, which raised \$42 for club funds, was then drawn and the two prizes were collected by Judy Laslett and Judy Marsh.

President Bob then closed the meeting. Committees then met briefly to review their programs for the remainder of this Rotary year.

Bill (Steven Spielberg) Marsh

SERGEANT STU'S REFLECTION

11.04.16 Reflection

We all have a dream we seek to fulfil, however our dreams sometimes get stuck in the bottom drawer or under our shoes and we never do anything about them.

Is a bucket list a purely "affluent, western cultural phenomenon" or does everybody have one? A bucket list –things you feel you absolutely must do before you "kick the bucket." Maybe we should ask: Is a bucket list just for oldies? Generation Y seems to believe – "live now and pay later" and they're embracing that and going to see the world.

How do we regard a bucket list? Is it about the negativity of what you want to do before you die, or the positivity of achieving your dreams and looking forward to the future?

- Ride a gondola in Venice
- See the Taj Mahal
- Take a road trip on Route 66
- See the beaches of Sri Lanka
- Visit the Grand Canyon
- Visit the Hermitage
- Snorkel on the Great Barrier Reef.

Aren't we fortunate that we can find the time to create such dreams and not worry whether we can afford our rent, school fees and food.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

We are again taking orders for the ENTERTAINMENT BOOK. The cost is \$65 and the commission will be paid to Hope Katolo Nursery School in Kenya. We have supported this wonderful project for many years and recently provided them with water tanks so they can grow vegetables for school lunches,
The book is great value. Many vouchers - Buy one , get one free meals. You only need to use it 4 times and you have covered the book cost.
A great excuse to eat in different places.
Contact Stuart Williams if you would like to purchase a book this year.

FOOTY TIPPING

Our Footy Tipping has got off to a good start. Barbara Williams and John McPhee are setting the standard. The Yardin family are again picking winners when no one else can. Arrrrrgh == stupid game. Got only 3 in round 2.
Cost \$30 and Stuart happy to collect your money now. Happy because the DangerCats are going OK.

Stuart

FAREWELL TO IAN AND JULIET RISELEY

As you know our very own Ian Riseley and Juliet leave in early July 2016 to move to RI Headquarters in Evanston, Chicago to prepare for Ian's year as our Rotary International President 2017/18. Ian will be our fifth RI President and we should be extremely proud of Ian and Juliet.

We have arranged a Multi-District lunch at the Whitehorse Club 298 Burwood Highway, East Burwood on Sunday 19 June 2016.

Our PDG John Barnes, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator 2015 – 2018 Zone 7B and Part Zone 8 and I extend our invitation to join Rotarians from our District and the our 4 Districts that cover Victoria to say farewell and good luck to RIPN Ian and Juliet.

Let us make this a big event.

Yours in Rotary

(PDG) Bob Richards
Governor 2006/07
District 9810 Rotary Foundation Committee Chair 2015/16

BLACKBURN

Walk will recognise 10 years of service

Sally Heppleston

BRAINLINK, a Blackburn-based charity dedicated to improving the lives of people affected by acquired disorders of the brain, is celebrating 10 years of service to the community by taking a walk.

The organisation is holding a walk around The Tan at the Botanical Gardens in Melbourne on Saturday, April 30 from noon-3pm.

All contributions from registrations and donations for the 3.8km walk will go towards providing support for carers of someone with an acquired brain injury.

BrainLink responds to the immediate needs of the families and friends of those who are living with conditions such as stroke, head injuries, brain tumour and progressive neurological diseases such as multiple sclerosis, Parkinson's disease and muscular dystrophy

Details: 9845 2952



Carers Lynne and Kevin Grigsbey are participating in the BrainLink walk.

Picture: LAWRENCE PINDER

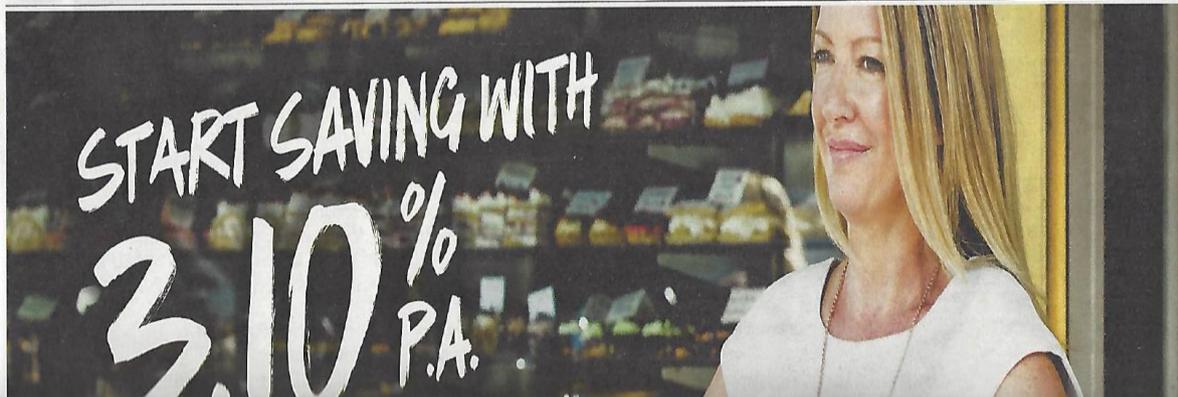
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lane**

Awards night

Keen to reduce your carbon footprint and do the right thing by the environment? The **Whitehorse Sustainability Awards Night** will showcase people, schools, businesses and community groups who are leaders in sustainability. This free event is on Wednesday, April 13, 7-8.15pm, **Whitehorse Centre**, 397 **Whitehorse Rd, Nunawading**. Details: 9262 6363.

Fill bargain bags

How much can you put in a shopping bag? The **Uniting Op Shop in Forest Hill** is holding a special shopping event. You can fill a shopping bag with clothing for \$10 all this month. The op shop, at 333A Canterbury Rd, is open from 9.30am-1pm, Tuesday to Saturday. For more information, phone 0411 490 365 or go to unitingcare.org.au



DIARY DATES

Friday	15 th April	Rowville Rotary breakfast with David Galbally
Sat	30 th April	Malaria Awareness Day
Sat/Sun	30 th Apr/1 st May	MUNA weekend
	28th May/1st June	RI CONVENTION, SEOUL, KOREA
Sun	19 th June	Multi District function to farewell Ian Riseley (RI Pres '17-'18)
Monday	27 th June	Our Changeover

FOREST HILL SECONDARY COLLEGE BREAKFAST ROSTER

19/04/2016	Judy L	?
26/04/2016	Barb	Kevin
3/05/2016	Barb	Glenys
10/05/2016	Barb	BobL
17/05/2016	Robbie	BobW
24/05/2016	Robbie	Bob L
31/05/2016	Robbie	Kevin
7/06/2016	Robbie	Barb
14/06/2016	Robbie	Bob W
21/06/2016	Robbie	Kevin

FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIES/DINNER AT MELBAS

Hi Bob,

Here's the notice to include in the Newsletter re the movie night.

Forest Hill Rotary Movie Night. Friday 15th April.

Our movie night is a bit later this month, hope some of you need a good night out and will enjoy one of the following movies. Please let Bob Williams know, by Friday midday, if you want to attend and he will get the tickets to distribute at Melba's, Forest Hill Chase at 5:30pm Friday before coffee or dinner together.

THE BOSS 7:15p.m.

Academy award nominated Melissa McCarthy headlines as the Boss as a titan of industry who is sent to prison after she was caught insider trading. When she is released, no-one will forgive her.

ALLEGIANT 6:30 p.m. 5 STARS

The third instalment of the blockbuster Divergent series. Allegiant takes Tris(Shaliene Woodley) and Four(Theo James) into a new world, far more dangerous than ever before.

EDDIE THE EAGLE 6:30p.m.

The movie details the inspiring exploits of Michael Edwards, better known as " Eddie the Eagle," the most famous ski jumper in British history. The film's portrayal of Edwards' never-say-die approach to the sport, celebrates the human spirit and resilience in the face of extraordinary odds and challenges.

THE HUNTSMAN:WINTER'S WAR 6;15p.m. 4 stars

The fantastical world of Snow White and the Huntsman expands to reveal how the fates of the Huntsman Eric and Queen Ravenna are deeply and dangerously intertwined.

THE JUNGLE BOOK 6:15p.m. 5 stars

An all new live-action epic adventure about Mowgli(newcomer Neel Sethi), a man-cub who's been raised by a family of wolves. But Mowgli finds he is no longer welcome in the jungle when fearsome tiger Shere Khan (voice of Idris Elba), who bears the scars of Man, promises to eliminate what he sees as a threat..

HELP WANTED PLEASE!

Mike Finke's sister in law is conducting a confidential study through the ACU and seeks "older folks" to please log on to the survey.

<http://iha.acu.edu.au/projects/older-adult-sexuality-and-intimacy-study-oasis/>

Completely anonymous so no names needed.

MORE HELP WANTED PLEASE - RYDA

As emailed to members, we have been asked by Catherine Smith of Rotary Youth Driver Awareness program to assist at the forthcoming training day for Vermont Secondary College on Tuesday 19th April.

The venue is the Sandown Greyhound Racing Track, View Road Springvale with start time of 8-30 am and finish at 2-30 pm. Morning tea and lunch provided.

Our duties will include assisting the teachers to move students between sessions, time keeping, setting up equipment (bollards, marquees) and at the end of the day, helping to pack it all up.

Catherine advises that there will be 200 students and they will have important visitors from Toyota and Rotary in Geelong.

Catherine chose Forest Hill to assist so it's the least we can do to field a full team of six and the team will also learn from our involvement.

So far we have Stuart Hans, Anna, Barbara and me.

We urgently need one more volunteer please!

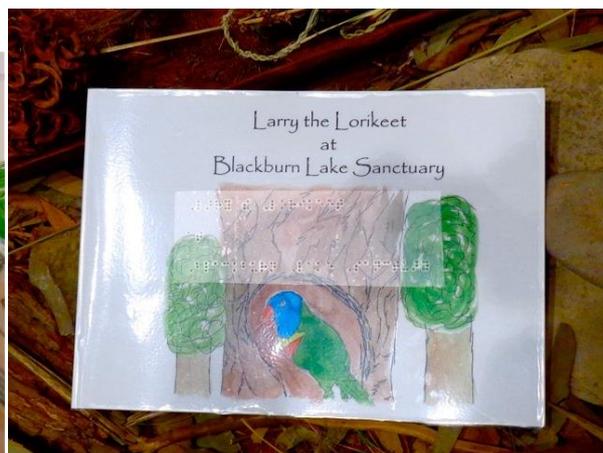
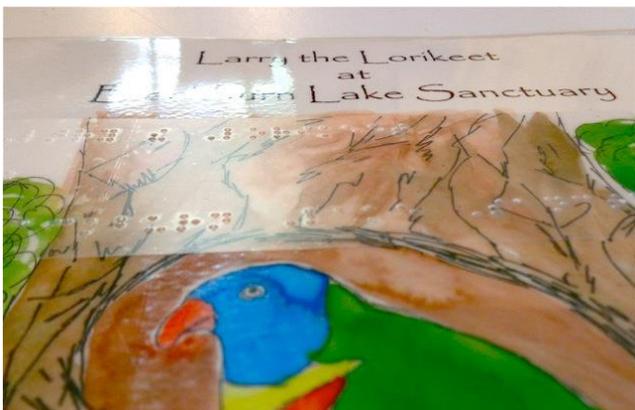
LARRY KEEPS ON FLYING!

On 7/4/16 sight impaired children from Vision Australia had their inaugural visit to Blackburn Lake Sanctuary to take part in a Bush Experience program.

As part of the program the small children's booklet, our old friend Larry the Lorikeet, now produced in Braille, was used.

Larry was a Youth Service Project in 2014, initiated by the Rotary Club of Forest Hill and with support from Whitehorse Council. It featured writing and art skills from talented local secondary school children. Larry was produced to support an environmental education program at the Lake.

The book features a homeless Larry, looking for friends and a permanent home in the wild. Now Vision Australia children can share his travels, via the braille edition.



Close up of Larry in Braille. Larry was produced in 2014 by the RCFH. He still flies at Blackburn Lake Sanctuary and in schools throughout Whitehorse. Now the vision impaired children will also enjoy him.

The book of Larry is used in conjunction with hand puppets. The first Vision Australia group of pre-school children enjoyed Larry and other delights at BLS this month.

ROTARACT GIANT MONOPOLY NIGHT FRIDAY 1ST APRIL (AND CHECK OUT THE GIANT APRIL FOOL WRAPPED IN TOILET PAPER!)



Thanks? Alison Tolstrup for the “lovely” pic!

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

April	Maternal and Child Health
May	Youth Services
June	Rotary Fellowships

UPDATE FROM OUR /TRAVELLERS – ROBBIE AND RON BROOKS

Rode into Rotterdam today. Warmest day so far with just 37km to ride but it was right into the wind so it was slow going. Staying on the ss Rotterdam which is a cruise liner permanently moored as a hotel. 6 decks of cabins plus a few more that have bars and two restaurants. Only asked the way 3 times today which is a record low. The maps and instructions are often just wrong. But everyone we stop to chat to is most helpful and friendly.

Am down to using only about a box of tissues and packet of strepsils a day. Eventually the cough and cold will go away. Just 3 weeks of it so far! We bought waterproof over boots and waterproof sou'wester hats each ready for the rain predicted for Wednesday. We have been lucky so far. Only one morning of rain that we had to ride in and getting saturated just riding the 5kms from railway station to hotel a week ago when we should have stayed in the shelter of the station for an hour til it stopped. We dried all our clothes off overnight and had a good hot shower then excellent dinner so no complaints. Watched some great footage of Matthew Hayman winning the Paris Roubaix. Take it easy.

FOREST HILL WEBSITE www.foreshillrotary.com

We had 137 people logged on to our website in March.

70 visited the Blackburn market page.

Have you looked at our website? **Our website is a window through which the world looks at us.** What do you think?

- Do you like what you see?
- Do you want other things on our site?

CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES

	2015-16
President	Bob Williams
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