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|  | 2013-2014Weekly Bulletin of theRotary Club of Forest Hill |  |
| Edition 13: 23 Sep 2013The Rotary Club of Forest Hill meets at 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm on Mondays at Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132.Meal cost $28.00PO Box 116, Nunawading 3131**Email**  **tuck@netspace.net.au** **Website foresthillrotary.com** |

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| CLUB PROGRAM |
| **Date** | **Event** | **Chair** | **Thanker and Meeting Report** |  |
| **23 Sep** | **Neil Angus Local State****Parliamentarian and Board Meeting** | **John McPhee** | **Graham Sharman** |  |
| **30 Sep** | **Bucatini Partner’s Night** |  |  |  |
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THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONSep 30 Stan Harper BirthdaySep 30 Chris Tuck Birthday DUTY ROSTER

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|  | **September** | **October** |
| Cashier  | Chris Tuck | Bob Williams |
| Recorder | Garry Baltissen | Doug Berwick |
| Greeter | John Donaghey | Glenys Grant |
| Emergency  | Doug Berwick | Ron Brooks |

ATTENDANCE

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| Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by** **10.00 am MONDAY** on9878 4891 orrcssmith@optusnet.com.au  Any cancellation after 10.00 am should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268 |

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**Chris’s Corner**

Last Monday Glenys Grant and I (along with Jenny Tuck) went to Weeden Heights Primary School to present the certificates to the first and second prize winners and the winning school shield for the Primary Schools Speech Contest.

These awards were well received by the school.

It was a big weekend for the Club last weekend with The Blackburn Market on Saturday and the Schwerkoltz Market on Sunday.

Thank you to those who assisted with the BBQs.

The total raised for the 2 markets was $1543.

A reminder I cancelled the Board Meeting last week (due to the DG’s visit) and the Board Meeting will now be held this coming week.

* Whitehorse Farmers Market Egg & Bacon Stall –Oct 13
* Whitehorse Spring Festival - 20 October
* Joint meeting RC Mitcham – 29 October (now confirmed)
* Whitehorse Farmers Market Egg & Bacon Stall –Apr 13 2014

**Committee Structure 2013-14**

**Foundation & International Chair Stuart Williams**

Members Graham Sharman, Ron Brooks (support on request)

**New Generations Chair Glenys Grant**

Members John McPhee, Warwick Stott, John Donaghey

**Community & Vocation Chair Ray Smith**

Members Bob Williams, Bob Laslett, Garry Baltissen

**Membership/PR/Marketing Chair Doug Berwick**

Members Bill Marsh, Stan Harper and Chris Tuck (support on request)

**Fellowship Chair Ron Brooks**

Member Chris Tuck

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**Whitehorse Farmers Market Sunday October 13 2013**

**Egg and Bacon Stall**

RC Forest Hill is to conduct the Egg and Bacon Stall at this Farmers Market (Oct.13).

We require many volunteers for this event.

Please see Warwick Stott to assist with this stall.

# Last Week’s Meeting

It was a special meeting of the Club last week as it was both the Club Birthday (38th) and the DG’s visit.

The meeting was chaired by PDG Bob Laslett.

18 people were present and witnessed our longest serving member Warwick Stott cut the Club birthday cake.

It was a great pleasure to have Kay and DG Merv Ericson present at our meeting.

Prior to the meeting Jenny Tuck took Kay to Taralye for a visit and meeting

with the CEO Therese Kelly and Marilyn Dann a Board Member and hearing specialist.

At the same time Warwick Stott and I met with Merv Ericson to review the Club performance.

Later at the Club meeting Merv described what an honour it was to be the DG and the extensive training he had undertaken before commencing his role.

Merv made the following comments about the Club including:

1 Membership is a major issue (also Rotary worldwide) and

2 We are an active Club covering all 5 areas of service.

The DG also outlined the changes in Rotary including the multi district PETS, Future Vision, and the pooling of PR efforts of all 21 Districts which should lead to better utilization of our PR spend (effectively $1.2million this year).

Finally Merv reminded us about the upcoming District Conference in March 2014 and the World Conference in Sydney in Jun 2014.

Thank you to Kay and Merv for the visit and it would be a pleasure to welcome you back to the Club in the future.

The Sergeant Stan raised $45.75 for Foundation.

 Chris Tuck

**Support Robbie Brooks**

Royal Flying Doctor Service 95km Rowing Marathon

Sat 5th October 2013

Robbie is training hard to take part in the annual rowing marathon on the Darling River. It is a 95km row in four stages over the day. Generally, rowers do two of the four stages ie 45-50kms of rowing in the day (takes 7-12hrs of actual rowing!). She coxes the two stages she does not row. This is a high profile event with boats and crews coming from all over Australia using single sculls, doubles, fours, quad sculls, and eights. Robbie rows in a quad scull (4 rowers with 2 oars each). The SES provide an accompanying aluminium “tinnie” for the safety of all.

This is her 10th annual event. She is asking if you would like to support her fund raising. All donations over $2 are tax deductable. Pres Chris has offered to take any donations on her behalf.

**Conference**

**Bob Laslett advises the conference website** [**http://2014conference.9810rotary.org.au/**](http://2014conference.9810rotary.org.au/) **is open. Registrations for Bendigo can be lodged online. Judy and Bob are going to check out accommodation in a few weeks and will keep you posted – your credit card will be needed to secure your own booking this year as last year the motels lost out. Gold is in the air again – seems to have heard that before somewhere.**

**Bob advises Members to now register online.**

**Fellowship Events**

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| **Bucatini Partners Night Sep 30.****Peridot Theatre Nov. (date to be advised).****Thought For The Week****The Alphabet of Success –Letter K****Keep cool, and you’ll command everybody.** **Francis G. Monks****From The Back Paddock.**The Bureau of Meteorology, for the next 3 month outlook, estimates the chance of exceeding the median rainfall for almost all of Victoria exceeds 60%.IMPORTANT UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTSMar 20-23 2014 District Conference BendigoPlease have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at tuck@netspace.net.au by **5 pm Wednesday**(in Microsoft Word format please).Also if you do not wish to receive this flyer in the future please contact the Editor tuck@netspace.net.au   |
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