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Weekly Bulletin of the
Rotary Club of Forest Hill

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The 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 \$27.00

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CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanker and Meeting Report	Member Talk on an aspect of peace
11 February	Variety Night	Ron Brooks	Chris Tuck	John Donaghey
18 February	Committees/ Home Hosting	Glenys Grant	John McPhee	



THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATION

Ray Smith – Club Birthday – 9 February

DUTY ROSTER

	February
Cashier	Graham Sharman
Recorder	John McPhee
Greeter	Bob Laslett
Emergency	Warwick Stott

ATTENDANCE

Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by 10.00 am MONDAY** on 9878 4891 or rcssmith@optusnet.com.au. Any cancellation after 10.00 am should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268

BOB'S BELLBIRD BLOG

It was great to hear that Heather Neilson has joined our happy band of honorary members. A busy weekend ahead with Blackburn market and Whitehorse Farmer's Market –see later. Good news too that following a Board initiative Whitehorse Council is supportive of the Whitehorse Farmers Market donating proceeds to the Bushfire Appeal and will waive its licence fee for the month. The Whitehorse Farmers Market committee is sorting out the details. The club through Ray Smith is also investigating practical help for the Gippsland bushfires and we were delighted to read that in the Australia Day honours list Don and Margaret Macraill received OAMs for their work in the Vanuatu Prevention of Blindness Project. Sorry to report that my last remaining uncle has died – he was the one that inspired me to participate in Rotary –hence I was ready when Ken Clark asked me.

Coming up

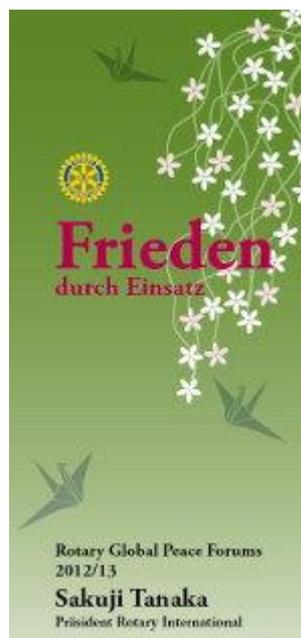
- Egg and Bacon Stall – 10 February.-please help-contact Warwick-see below
- Peridot -15 February-
- Youth Exchange Welcome Home Dinner- 16 February- Mulgrave Country club
- Paul Harris celebrations- Sorrento-23 February
- Club day for visiting GSE team from Malaysia -4 March 2013
- District Conference – 15-17 March 2013 –Wangaratta- 5 rooms booked at Advance Motel

Tonight's variety meeting is a surprise- come and enjoy with Rudolph Valentino as our chair.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

It was great to see most of you last Tuesday night at Box Hill Golf Club where the Box Hill Rotary club were our gracious hosts. The guest speaker was Carolyn Halet talking about The Salvation Army's Child Sponsorship program. In her speech which included many pictures she explained the difference between individual and centre sponsorships. The Box Hill Club has been a sponsor for 15 years and was presented with a certificate in recognition of its generosity. Questions elicited that both types of sponsorship are necessary. Individual children attract more donors but the centres while being fairer are concentrated in larger areas and do not meet the needs of small villages. The program is widespread and is organised in 4 needy zones around the world. The format of the meeting was different from ours and offered learning opportunities in several areas. We were sorry to hear of the health problems of some of Box Hill's stalwarts such as Merv Agnew.

PEACE



Rotary Global Peace Forum Berlin 2012

Peace without Borders

ROTARY CLUBS PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN KIDS EDUCATION

The Rotary club of Forest Hill has committed to support the poor and underprivileged children of the island of Taveuni, Fiji. Our support will enable a number of these children to regularly attend school by providing a year's funding (\$250). This amazing and worthwhile project will be an ABCD project. (Art Builds Children's Dreams). Thanks to our generous sponsors a Memorandum of Understanding has been signed and 14 students will be able to attend Taveuni Central Primary School. We look forward to receiving the children's drawings and artwork on 'Life on Taveuni' for display at the District Conference.

From our roving correspondent Ken

As you probably know we are getting ready to take a group of Deakin Uni students to Tanzania on 1 Feb to work on some more school projects with ABCD Canada - be interesting to compare our strategies since ABCD Oz is the 'child' born from ABCD Canada and the great work of Frank Smith - the founder. It will be more news for your newsletter anyway!

CONFERENCE

Eight people from our club are planning to attend and all have paid their registration dues.

Where The District 9810 Conference in 2013 will be held at the magnificent [Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre](#)

When The conference runs from lunch time Friday 15th March to Sunday 17th March 2013.

Speakers

include

Prof Rob Moodie: Peace Through Health. Dr Moodie consults to the World Health Organisation and is Deputy Chair of the Advisory Council of the Australian National Preventive Health Agency. Driver of the Quit Campaign and plain packaging of cigarettes, he believes that providing good nutrition throughout the world contributes to world peace.

Assoc Professor Felice Jacka: Adolescent Mental Health. Dr Jacka is an Australian Rotary Health Scholar. Recent and compelling evidence from around the globe demonstrates the link between diet and common mental health problems.

MORE <http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/registration/>

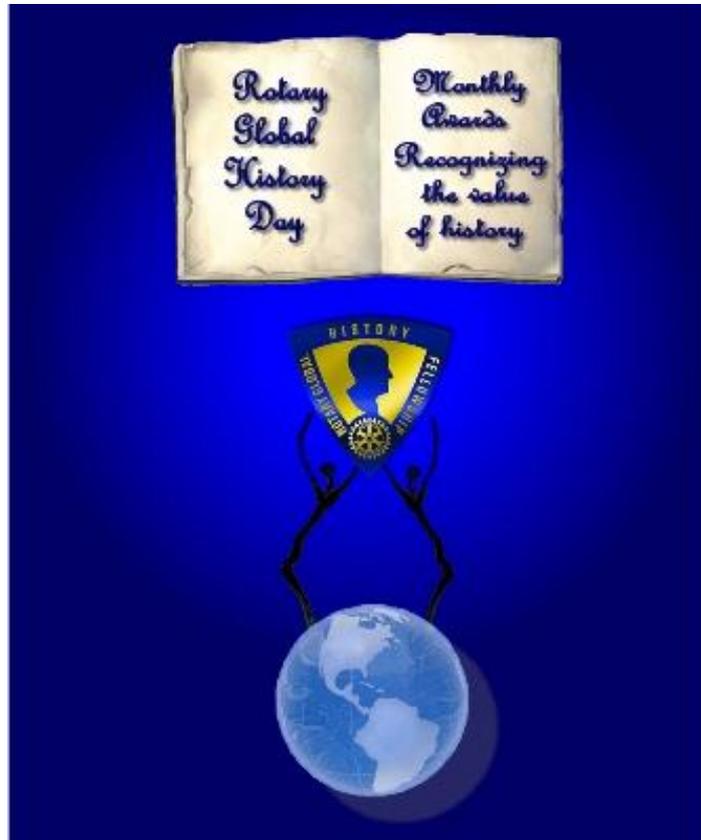
Judy and I have done some homework on the club night and will discuss the plans with those attending.

FOREST HILL'S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

Current 15

Aim 20

INTERESTING PROPOSITIONS



History Day at RGHF, honouring the First 100 Clubs of Rotary

Charles Feilbach, a wholesale grocer, was just one of those early Toledo Rotarians who not only made a tremendous impact on our club, but truly set the direction of Rotary International and its 27,000-plus clubs worldwide. He was Toledo Rotary's third President, serving in 1915-1916. There are a lot of men both in and out of Rotary who were Rotarians in heart long before Rotary was ever heard of. Charles Feilbach was one of them, exemplifying the fundamental ideals of Rotary.

<http://www.rotaryfirst100.org/clubs/cities/clubs/44toledo.htm>

WHITEHORSE FARMERS MARKET STALL

We are desperate for 3 more people to help man the 9-11 am shift. (The first and last shifts are filled up, for which we are very grateful).

Please phone/email Warwick on 0412444393, wstott@netspace.net.au

FEBRUARY CINEMA NIGHT FELLOWSHIP

The first Friday of the month means Forest Hill Rotary cinema fellowship at Forest Hill Chase. There were 8 of us this month. We met at the Melba café at 5:15pm before going to the cinema. I saw Mexican parma, grilled whiting, fisherman's basket, hamburger, omelette and frittata go down the hatch, though a couple just had a drink. There were 6 films to choose from but we opted for "Life of Pi", based on a Booker prize winning book. The story is based on a tiger and an Indian boy adrift together after a shipwreck..... but it's a lot more than that. This is a very good 4 star film with some amazing scenic beauty that should not be missed.

and

"The Impossible" a very realistic recreation of the tsunami that hit Thailand and the story of a family that were split up and how they managed to find each other again. Naomi Watts was nominated for an academy award playing the mother. The Age gave it 4 ½ stars.

\$7.50 buys you the best seat in the houseif I buy them in bulk. So come to the cinema next month Fri March 1st or just come and have a chat and coffee. You can go to an early screening time or later, just tell me what tickets you want.

Ron Brooks
Fellowship Coordinator

IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS

2/2013

WORLD UNDERSTANDING

9/2/2013	Blackburn Market
10/2/2013	Egg and Bacon Stall-help needed
11/2/2013	Club meeting
16/2/2013	Welcome Home dinner for Youth Exchange/GSE team arrive
18/2/2013	Club meeting
23/2/2013	Rotary anniversary celebrations at the Baltissens
25/2/2013	Club meeting
28/2/2013	New Generations Cluster meeting

Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at rlaslett@optusnet.com.au by **5 pm Wednesday** (in Microsoft Word format please)