

**Rotary**  
Club of Forest Hill



**The Flyer  
2017-2018**



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

**President: Bill Marsh**

Number 17

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

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<b>CLUB PROGRAM</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Chair</b>	<b>Thanks &amp; Meeting Report</b>
30 Oct	Bucatini with partners		
6 Nov	No meeting-Cup day		
13 Nov	New member talk <i>Sue Ballard</i>	Chris Tuck	Bob Laslett
20 Nov	Diabetes Victoria <i>Kat Crowley</i>	Bob Williams	Sue Ballard

### **CELEBRATIONS**

Plenty to celebrate. Congratulations to John & Margaret McPhee (Wedding anniversary-31 October)

### **CONCERNS**

Our thoughts and prayers are with Graham and Joan Sharman as they have been through a rough time.

### **DUTY ROSTER**

	<b>OCTOBER</b>	<b>NOVEMBER</b>
<b>Recorder</b>	Glenys Grant	Chris Tuck
<b>Greeter</b>	Ron Brooks	Barbara Searle
<b>Emergency</b>	Sue Ballard	Mike Finke
<b>Cashier</b>	Chris Tuck	Ron Brooks

## 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](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

## BILL'S BYLINES

We have accepted the offer to run the sausage sizzle at Bunnings on Christmas Eve. This will be a first for the club and we will need all hands- on deck, plus any extras we can rope in so that members do not have to work too long on the day. Give some thought to family and friends you may be able to involve for an hour or two. Our last meeting for this year will be on 18<sup>th</sup> December and we would like as many partners as possible to join us on the night.

We will be collecting non-perishable food for distribution through the Uniting East Burwood church. Bob Laslett will take the collection across to the church. Please bring in any donations to the next couple of meetings. We would like to be able to take the collection across after our meeting on the 4<sup>th</sup> December to give the church time to get them packaged and distributed in time for Christmas.

Our BBQ meeting in January will be held at Barbara Searle's home in Donvale. We will finalise the date, times, food arrangements, etc. over the next couple of weeks. Our thanks to Barb for offering to host the function.

Twelve people have booked in for the Peridot production on the 18<sup>th</sup> November. If there are any further members interested please contact me by Friday as I will then confirm our numbers.

A fantastic response to the District Conference in Bendigo next year. We will have a group of 13 members and partners attending. There is still time for any other members to join in – just let John know so that he can arrange accommodation.

Our Youth Achievement Awards night is coming up fast on the 27<sup>th</sup> November. This is always a great night and the looks on the children's faces, and their parents, makes it all well worthwhile. We need as many members and partners as possible on the night. Please let Glenys know if you cannot attend so that she can arrange table hosts and the myriad of other tasks that need to be completed.

On Friday it was a pleasure to be able to present a cheque for \$3,000 to the Berangarra School for the provision of blinds and curtains in their performing arts area. While only just installed the curtains have been enthusiastically welcomed by the children who now feel they have a 'real' stage for their performances.

Our speakers this week were Kay Edwards and Glenys Grant who told us about the history of the Burwood Boys Home and its evolution to Best Chance. An excellent presentation that brought back memories to many long-time residents of the area. Particularly our own 'Burwood Boy' Stuart Williams who grew up in Burwood. Kay and Glenys have had an association with the home over a 30 year period and are to be congratulated on the very attractive and informative book they have produced chronicalling the life of the home.

Our next Film Night will be the Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Keep the date free and watch out for the film list next week.

### **Some dates for your diaries.**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Partners night at Bucatini

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Film Night

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November – Visit to the Davis Family farm

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November – Peridot Theatre

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November – Youth Achievement Awards

### **Did You Know?**

By 2025 there will be more English speakers in China than in the rest of the world put together.

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

## Meeting report October 23

### MEETING REPORT

The following decisions were made.

The Club will accept the offer of Bunnings to run the sausage sizzle on 24th December.

A meeting on 18th December will be the last for the year.

The meeting place for a barbecue on 8th January, (the first meeting in 2018) will be announced later.

A collection of items for food hampers will be made and donated to the Christmas appeal of East Burwood Church.

Twelve seats have been booked for Peridot theatre – more are available.

There are 13 bookings for the 2018 District Conference.

The raffle, won by Warwick and Sue Raised \$53.

The sergeant raised \$24.

### GUEST SPEAKERS Kay Edwards and Glenys Grant.

Kay and Glenys have been involved in the printing of a book of the history of The Burwood Boys' Home and together gave an outline of its 120 years history.

The home was commenced by a wealthy tea merchant, Robert Campbell Edwards, as a home for boys of Melbourne who were homeless during the 1895 depression and developed on what was then country land in Warrigal Road Burwood. An advertisement for assistance placed in a Melbourne newspaper was answered and a committee formed.

Boys up to the age of fourteen were taken in a dormitory type situation and trained in the formation of character to be contributors in a nation's true greatness. Education was of paramount importance so they spent time on reading, writing and arithmetic studies as well as farm activities. After a period of time the place became self-sufficient in fruit and vegetable production.

Over the times the Home's practices have evolved. Now children are placed in a Family home situation with home "parents" and given every day clothes. Assistance is given to families in trouble.

With a name change the organisation is now called Best Chance.

Ray

### Sergeant's Reflection 23 October

"I'm bad at a lot of things; I just tend not to do them." That was a quote by actor, author and model Cara Delevingne. I wonder if that is, maybe, a definition of growing up. Do we dismiss what we are not good at and concentrate on what we do reasonably well. How important is it to please other people? If we can't do that well enough - do we do things to run away from our problems? What are the situations that enable us to believe in ourselves? Were there things that we loved or abilities that we had, that we didn't believe we could do after we left school?

Tonight, we will hear about an organisation that looked after many boys and gave them stability, skills and a future.

We made it to adulthood and maybe breathe a sigh of relief that the issues of growing up are but memories.

Stuart

### District Conference - Bendigo Fri 2nd – Sun 4th March 2018



Great to hear 13 are going to conference. Don't forget to register.

## Social media and fundraising

The new Facebook page for the Blackburn Market is available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/BlackburnStationCraftMarket/>

We will work to add some content to promote stallholders, the causes we support, and some broad stakeholder engagement as we can. It would be good to get some of the shops on side as well.

Episode 24 of the podcast is here, it's a short one:

<https://soundcloud.com/mike-finke-167583478/episode-24>

As regards eBay, we have a few new items to put on RCFH's page. The front room is getting a bit crowded, and some items have not sold despite repeated attempts, so there will be a cull of old stock. Some donors may be called on to retrieve their items.

## Forest Hill College Breakfast Roster

Barb and John were behind the counter this week and it's the tried and true Barb and Robbie next week

## ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

October	Economic and Community Development
November	The Rotary Foundation

## ARTICLES

Newsletter articles to [rlaslett76@gmail.com.au](mailto:rlaslett76@gmail.com.au) by 5 pm Wednesday please.