

# FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS

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President: Bill Marsh

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## BILL'S BY-LINE



On Tuesday evening Bob Williams and I joined the members of the Rotary Club of Mitcham at Bucatini restaurant to celebrate the life of Joseph O'Loughlin and his contribution to Rotary. We were joined by representatives from all of the clubs in our Cluster and several of the clubs Joseph worked with in his role as an AG. It was lovely to be able to remember Joseph amongst his friends.

We didn't hold a meeting this week as for a variety of reasons we were well down on numbers and it was felt to be unfair to our guest speaker. Veronica has been rescheduled for early next year when we will be able to give her a bigger audience.

Next Monday is the 5<sup>th</sup> Monday in the month and so we will be having our a-la-carte dinner at Bucatini. I hope all members and a number of partners will be able to join us for a relaxed social evening of good food and conversation. Please confirm your attendance with Stuart Williams.

On the 7<sup>th</sup> November we will be joined on Zoom by Mariah Kirsopp, this year's Deakin Award recipient. I will send out the link for this session closer to the date. I know several people from outside the club will be joining us for this meeting. If you would like to join in please contact me and I will send you the link.

As you enjoy the lush growth in your garden, and the cobwebs grow on your garden hose, spare a thought for all those who have been affected by floods across Victoria, in fact across most of eastern Australia. Water may be the source of all life but too much, too quickly, is devastating. I am sure, as the water recedes, there will be plenty for Rotary to do to help those in need.

Enjoy the week ahead.

Bill

**October is  
Economic & Community Development  
Month**

## NEXT MEETING

**31st October Dinner at Bucatini – 6.30pm**

Confirm your attendance with Stuart Williams.

## COMING UP

**7<sup>th</sup> November – Mariah Kirsopp – Deakin Award Recipient (Zoom Meeting)**

**Chairperson:** Bill Marsh

**Thanks:** Sue Ballard

**Notes for “Happenings”:** Ron Brooks

**4<sup>th</sup> November – First Friday Film Night (Sue will send out films next week.)**

**14<sup>th</sup> November – Larissa Reinboth – Children First Foundation**

**Chairperson:** John Bindon

**Greeter:** Barbara Searle

**Notes for “Happenings”** Bob Williams

**Thanks** Ron Brooks

**Cashier & Recorder:** Bob Williams

## CELEBRATIONS



31<sup>st</sup> October

John and Marg McPhee  
Celebrate their Wedding  
Anniversary.  
Congratulations from all of your  
friends at RCFH.



## ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA “INSECTICIDE RESISTANCE MONITORING & MANAGEMENT”

I attended a most interesting 2hr webinar seminar from Singapore last week attended by over 70 Rotarians, researchers, and field workers from Oman, Nepal, Sri Lanka, Tanzania, India, Nigeria, UK, PNG, Afghanistan, South Africa, and Australia etc. There were three speakers Prof Nigel Beeke from CSIRO/Qsld Uni, Dr Leo Braack from South Africa, and Dr Pradeep Srivastavan from India.

It gave good background on the various species of mosquito that behave quite differently in their breeding, feeding (ie biting), and their changing resistance to the range of insecticides used both for spraying and netting impregnation. As particular species become resistant to one or a cocktail of insecticides then field workers have to change chemicals and then down the track switch again using the concept/assumption that in the absence of a particular insecticide then the newly hatched

mosquitos will become susceptible again. They bite more in the dry season than the wet and there is a shift in biting time due to bed net distribution.

Nets are not really effective if the mosquitos switch to biting/feeding earlier in the evening when people are still outside preparing meals for instance. I also learned that they sometimes coat the roof of a net with a different insecticide to the walls of the net.

It was surprising to learn that possible resistance to an insecticide is when the kill rate is 90-97%, and a mosquito population is considered resistant to a chemical if the kill rate drops to 90%.

RAM was started in the 1990s by Dr Brian Handley (RC of Chatswood) and launched in the Solomons then in 1997 clubs were encouraged to fund nets in PNG in the Adopt a Village programme. There are over 400,000 deaths each year, mainly young children, from malaria. This should encourage us all to donate to RAM.

Ron Brooks

## **RYDA, 25 OCTOBER 2022, AT SANDOWN GREYHOUND TRACK**

RYDA Coordinator Anton received a late request from Noble Park Secondary for a RYDA day for about 60 students and although he usually seeks 100/120 students, he accepted the request so only three Rotary volunteers needed and so Stuart, my mate Hans and I helped out. The students arrived by train from Noble Park (Stuart told us that was only one stop away as he had taught at Noble Park Tech a few years ago - well actually more like a few decades ago, so knew the area.

58 students plus their teachers so we each had less than 20 in each group with Hans taking Red, Stuart Yellow and I hosted the Green group of 18. All three groups were very attentive and well-mannered with thanks from them when we handed out their workbooks and wrist bands. With only three groups, five of the six sessions were all on the first floor with of course the speed and stopping session on the grandstand roadway.

Always lovely to chat to the teachers and Facilitators and Stuart had an additional bonus whilst at lunch as the lovely lady caterer was from Thailand and overheard Stuart talking about his next (25<sup>th</sup>?) Thailand trip next year so chatted to him about places they both knew and gave him some tips for new places to visit there. For morning tea, the caterer brought out yummy slices with cream which we were sure would be calorie free so we all had some and again a yummy lunch which when the (slightly) older people were finished with, the over catered for leftovers were offered to the students which was well received.

Hans, Stuart I were asked by Anton to check putting up the marquee which had been damaged when wind blew it around a few RYDA's ago and as several struts were broken and bent Anton decided it was unsafe. He is officiating at the next Bass Coast Cycle Challenge Day for RYDA at Inverloch, the weekend after next (I still remember huffing and puffing up Mount Misery near Leongatha with Stuart when I last did it and Ron Brooks and his mates also did it as part of their much longer ride) and so is taking another marquee for the event.

Anat Bigos again spoke of her devastating crash which left her very damaged in the "Crash Investigators" session which as usual had everyone's attention and I congratulated her afterwards for warning another batch of "L" platers of the dangers of driving tired and being distracted. Anat drove tiredly in 2004 (after a blind date the night before) into a pole after trying to avoid a dog on the road which changed her life forever.

Another group of youngsters who now know how to be more aware and more respectful of other road users.

The final RYDA days we are involved with will be 15 November at Leongatha Secondary and 21 November at Wonthaggi Secondary which Barb and I enjoy covering.

Bob

Community Partner



**3 group, 6 session timetable  
Springvale, Victoria**

	Yellow	Green	Red
9.40am		Welcome & Open	
9.45am-10.15am	Drive S.O.S (View Room)	Mind Matters (Chairman's Lounge)	Speed & Stopping (Grandstand Roadway)
10.20-10.50am	Speed & Stopping (Grandstand Roadway)	Drive S.O.S (View Room)	Mind Matters (Chairman's Lounge)
10.55-11.05am		Morning Tea	
11.10-11.40am	Mind Matters (Chairman's Lounge)	Speed & Stopping (Grandstand Roadway)	Drive S.O.S (View Room)
11.45am-12.15pm	Road Choices (Top Foyer)	Crash Investigators (View Room)	The 'I' In Drive (Chairman's Lounge)
12.20-12.45pm		Lunch	
12.50-1.20pm	The 'I' In Drive (Chairman's Lounge)	Road Choices (Top Foyer)	Crash Investigators (View Room)
1.25-1.55pm	Crash Investigators (View Room)	The 'I' In Drive (Chairman's Lounge)	Road Choices (Top Foyer)
2.00pm		Close	

- Every student must have a wristband for that particular group and the student must remain with that group for the whole day, except for lunch and morning tea.
- No comments whatsoever, during presentations (from teaching staff/volunteers)
- Teachers ARE RESPONSIBLE for DISCIPLINE.

**SUSTAINABILITY TALK “GETTING TO NET ZERO” WED 23<sup>RD</sup> NOV**

Dr Claire Anderson is speaking on the challenges to get to net zero to the Institute of Chemical Engineers. \$65. If you want to attend then contact Ron Brooks.

**ALL ENERGY AUSTRALIA EXHIBITION AND CONFERENCE**

The Annual Conference is on 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Oct at the Melbourne Convention & Exhibition Centre. Attendance is free. Over 300 speakers on a wide variety of topics. As usual it is held in conjunction with the Waste Expo at the same venue.

## UKRAINE FUND RAISING CONCERT SUN 23<sup>RD</sup> OCT

A packed hall in Brighton listened to a Community Concert for Ukraine Displaced People organised by five Rotary Clubs in Bayside last Sunday afternoon. There were almost 2 hours of music, singing, and dancing by incredibly talented Ukrainian, Estonian, Lithuanian, and Polish locals most of whom had international status. One fellow played at Barak Obama's inauguration at the White House for instance. The pictures tell it all.

**DONATIONS STILL POSSIBLE THROUGH :** <https://www.trybooking.com/CCFHV>

ALL DONATIONS will be to Rotary related Projects, either in Australia or internationally, to assist Ukrainians. **Donations over \$2 will be tax deductible through Rotary.**



## SPROUTINGS

Sproutings is taking a breather this week and will be back with you in the next edition.

## RCFH BLACKBURN STATION CRAFT MARKET – TRADER OF THE MONTH

### The *Bee-autiful* Basin Backyard

Nine years ago, Michael asked Meredith for a beehive for his 50<sup>th</sup> birthday present because he didn't want to keep hand pollinating their trees and plants on their ¼ acre block in the foothills of the Dandenong ranges. Who would have realised that it would lead to a new career and the launch of The Basin Backyard, with over 240 beehives throughout Victoria, 10 regular markets a month, and a shop in Knoxfield (Unit 1, 31 Rusdale St).

Michael & Meredith told me “at the Basin Backyard, we sell pure raw honey & bees wax and related products e.g. lollies containing our honey (eg. honey & eucalyptus drops, nougat & peanut brittle). As well as our beeswax which we make into candles & food wraps. We are the beekeepers so we are hands-on for the whole process, from looking after our *bee-autiful* bees, harvesting the honey & jarring the honey and collecting the wax which is in our products. We are located in The Basin and we have 240+ beehives throughout Victoria. Whilst we have 5 hives on our property, the majority of them are local in the Dandenong ranges and we also have them on properties in NW Victoria, the Mornington peninsula, Gippsland and various other locations in Victoria where our bees can collect different varieties of flora for our different tasting honeys. Come and have a chat to us about our bees, our honey, our wax, our lollies & the value of bees in our environment.”

They will organise bee swarm collection, they have bee keeping supplies. Usefully, you can pay by card.

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## SOME OF OUR BLACKBURN MARKET STALLHOLDERS



Come to the Market next month- November 12th



**Luton Lane Wine-Eat-Meet Network Evening**

**Thursday October 13th**



Join WoW for a fabulous evening of networking on Thursday October 13th at [Luton Lane Wine Bar](#) in Hawthorn. Owner Rebecca, also recently joined us a WoW Business Member. We welcome both Members and Non-Members to our Events, however our Members receive discounted prices to all Events.

**Tickets must be booked before Monday October 10th.**

Luton Lane is a hidden gem and has been inspired by bringing the inner city vibe to Hawthorn! Serving Canapes & Cocktail style food. Think yummy Arancini Balls, Haloumi Sliders, Chicken Skewers, Sausage Rolls, Beef Crostini & Calamari. Specialty & locally sourced wines, and cocktails from the classics to the experimental. With a great vibe and ambience that complements the fabulous food and wine!

Includes:

- Food (including gluten free, Vegan & Vegetarian)
- Drink on arrival (Wine/Champers/Aperol Spritz/Soft Drink)
- Networking

\*Purchase extra drinks at bar prices.\*

Please note that this is not an exclusive WoW Event, we will be sharing the Venue space but will have our own area with some seating available.

[Book Here](#)

**Casual Networking Lunch for Business and Social Women Friday October 28th**



As much as we all enjoy a long leisurely lunch, life can get pretty busy, so let's go Express Friday October 28th.

Lunch includes sharing plates and tapas with dishes such as Popcorn Chicken, Spiced Hummas, Pickled Mushroom Bruschetta and a Brewers Board! At least 3 or 4 of the five dishes are gluten free and vegetarian. A glass of wine/beer/soft drink or tea/coffee is also included.

Book on your own or bring a girlfriend or colleague. Meet other like-minded women, whether you're a business woman wanting to network with other business women, or a woman just looking to make some new social connections, we've got you covered!

**\*\* There are only 3 spots left to our Lunch, so don't delay booking \*\* If you try to book after this please add your name to the wait list. \*\***

Free Parking at Eastland for up to 3 hrs and our Venue is the fabulous [Suburban Rooftop + Dining](#) in Ringwood.

\* Purchase extra drinks at bar prices.\*

Book Here



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