

STU'S SCRIPT

Stu is rapidly running out of places to visit and will be back shortly.

MEETING REPORT

President Elect Sue opened the meeting as both Pres Stuart and Vice President Bill were otherwise engaged. We normally open with a "Reflection", and PE Sue didn't disappoint us. In keeping with the date she spoke about her family who were represented at both Gallipoli and the Somme in WW1 reminding us that it did not only affect those who went and fought but also those who struggled back home, who had to become the bread winner, who had to keep the wheels of agriculture and industry turning. And this was and is true of every overseas conflict since. We had a minute's silence "Lest we forget".

Sue then reminded us that Peridot theatre was on this coming Friday and for any extras to contact Ron. She also told us that at the last Cluster meeting, they discussed what the group could do as a project in remembrance of our 100th anniversary.

[The UNICEF foreign currency collection is all being donated to the **Rotary Give Every Child a Future** centenary project. It aims at immunising 100,000 children in the Pacific: <u>https://everychildafuture.com/</u> It is a UNICEF project that Rotary has agreed to fund. While officially it is a D9810 contribution, Forest Hill is closely involved and made it happen.]

John D was then invited to chair the meeting of 14 attendees. There were no reports from Treasurer (not present), Youth (not present), International, Community, Vocational, or Membership. Bob L told us that Swinburne & three Rotary districts had been having meetings (see report later in Happenings) and that Barb W and John Mc were running the breakfast tomorrow morning. John B told us about the upcoming programme (see end of Happenings) so reminded us that the Youth Achievement Awards was coming up in 2 weeks. He then gave us a rundown of a Rotary Foundation meeting he went to at Box Hill Town Hall. Peter Malden (RC of Boronia) reported on how 304 Fijian eyes were restored to sight out of 215 patients. Polio Plus has been stopped in Kenya with a result that polio numbers are increasing there. Graham Richardson gave a breakdown of District Grants & 8 x \$1,000 scholarships had been agreed to. Mark Balla reported on the toilet operation in Kenya and the shocking conditions in schools. John Barnes spoke on how important it was to achieve \$100 per member of giving to the Foundation, our charity of choice. Bob W told us that the WHFM had raised over \$6,200 and the Rotaracters had raised more money from the bacon & egg sales than ever before. John Mc said our Saturday Blackburn market raised over \$720, and sold out of sausages on a cold and blustery day. The regulars (Barb W, Sue, Barb S, Ian) contributed to the plastic top collection (thank you), and John Mc had a packet of well-trimmed stamps for Ron's collection. Ron reported that a large box of trimmed stamps would be passed on to district in the next two weeks, mainly a year's contribution from his local accountant's office.

The Sergeant was his usual self (is that good or bad???). The bad was his beady eyes and ears miss nothing (Chris's phone going off during the meeting), the good was he raised \$40.15. Why have so many other clubs got rid of the sergeant's session?



Our Guest Speaker – Raeoni Turner

We then heard from our guest speaker, our past member Raeoni Turner, who is General Manager of Community Services at NADRASCA telling us about the NDIS and how it has affected their operation. She told us that Rotary had been a part of her life for as long as she could remember as her father was a lifelong member. She has also been helping others since she was 20 years old when she was interviewed for a job by John Bindon at SCOPE, 39 years ago. 12 years later she walked out on him and joined NADRASCA. This organisation was started in 1967 by a Nunawading Now, 200 staff support 300 participants in 23 locations. It has 7 homes were Apex group. participants look after themselves encouraged to do their own washing, cooking, answering telephones etc. They have four day-service sites. Their values are: Trustworthy, Supportive, Caring, Respectful. They support people with needs. It is not putting people down to say they have needs. As a Service Provider they have three services: Employment, Community, and Training. Thev market to local special schools as well as to the community at large. They have a stable group of people. They aim to try and get participants into the permanent work force. They always impress on the participants to be on time as part of the training for later when they may go out into the workforce. Many participants are there at 6:30am although they don't start work till 8am as it is a social gathering as well as a workplace. Something which they encourage.

She said that NDIS is a wonderful scheme but it has its challenges. They get paid in arrears whereas they used to be paid in advance. Sometimes they provide the services but participants fail to pay. This is a problem. Each participant has a planning meeting with an NDIS planner who has to do two plans a day and each is reviewed annually. This can be confronting for participants who are intellectually or physically disabled, discussing what their needs are. At times there is no service provider present as people may choose to self-manage then later go out to a service provider who may not be able to provide what they need with the funds they have negotiated. Some have not spent their funds by the time the next annual review arrives. NADRASCA meet with every family before they go to their individual planning meeting.

NDIS have three funding buckets to fund CORE, CAPACITY BUILDING, and CAPITAL each of which have sub categories. The funds are to be used to support the participant, train them and enable them to purchase items. Many are getting services they have never had before but inevitably some are worse off. NADRASCA now have to have staff ratios because of costs. They are running at a deficit which cannot continue. Long term, they need a surplus to stay in existence.

After questions, Ron gave the vote of thanks and presented her with a Tasmanian myrtle pen made by Ray.

The raffle raised \$62. Barb W took the red wine, John D the white wine and John Mc the chocolates.

The meeting closed at 8:15pm and then Ray convened a meeting of the people going down to the Davis farm on Friday 15th Nov (Bob & Barb, Chris, Ron, John Mc, Bob L) to arrange who was driving, flying, and who would take salads, cheese or dessert.

Ron

YOUTH ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS NIGHT

Rapidly approaching. The very enjoyable Youth Achievement Awards night is on Monday November 25, at 6.00pm. Twelve local primary schools will each have nominated a very special child to receive the award. Twelve very excited families will be watching and twelve Rotarians will be hosting.

Nominations and citations have now been received from all twelve schools.

Glenys Grant

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CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES

To lan Teese for his birthday on the 11th November.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast on the 19th November will be in the care of Barb W and Ian T while on the 26th Judy L and Ian T will make a formidable team.

MARKETS

Both November markets were very successful and the December (Christmas) markets are coming up fast. Where has the year gone?

Our two markets are on split weekends in December. Whitehorse on Sunday 8th December and Blackburn on Saturday 14th December. Come along and lend a hand or just enjoy the great stalls on offer at both markets.

DUTY ROSTER

Recorder Greeter Emergency Cashier **NOVEMBER** John Bindon Glenys Grant Barb Williams Bob Williams

DECEMBER

Mike Finke Ian Teese Ron Brooks Sue Ballard

COMING UP

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Report
25 Nov 2 Dec 9 Dec 16 Dec	IC Robotics Youth Achievement Awards Committee Meetings TBA Christmas Meeting Club BBQ – venue TBA	Ian Teese Bill Marsh Stuart Williams John Bindon	Bob Williams Barbara Searle Stuart Williams John McPhee

ATTENDANCE

If you are not coming to the meeting or if you wish to bring a guest please contact Ray Smith by 10.00am Monday on 0412 807 585 or <u>rcssmith@optusnet.com.au</u>

Please ensure Ray is aware of any special dietary needs.

If you need to cancel after 10.00am please contact Bucatini Restaurant directly on 9873 0268.

CONTACT DETAILS		
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Website:	www.foresthillrotary.com	
Facebook:	ForestHill Rotary	
Meetings:	6.30pm, Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)	

ARTICLES

Articles, notices and photos for inclusion in **FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS** to <u>bjmarsh@bjgpond.net.au</u> no later than 10.00am on Wednesday each week.

WEBSITE

Keep up-to-date by checking our website at www.foresthillrotary.com

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BLACKBURN MARKET – TRADER OF THE MONTH

Dawn's Flowers

Dawn Hooton has been a regular at the Blackburn Craft Market from the very beginning. If you want her plants you have to come to our market as she sells nowhere else. Dawn lives in Forest Hill and propagates every plant herself from her own seeds or cuttings. Her love of flowers and gardening started as a young girl when her father bought her a packet of Fuchsia seeds...... it has been her hobby ever since. It's amazing looking at the large healthy specimens of evergreen perennials such as the fuchsias, ferns, and pelargoniums she sells with long flowering periods all at very reasonable prices.





ROTARY/SWINBURNE COLLABORATIVE FORUM

I attended a stimulating meeting on 31 October. About 20 attended- half from 3 Rotary districts and the other half Swinburne staff. The forum meets 3 or 4 times a year and already a number of mutually beneficial projects are under way. One of the prime movers is the Boroondara Cares foundation (*Is there a Whitehorse Cares foundation?*). One of their projects is a \$500k project to celebrate Rotary's 100 years. Another project was Business without Borders raising the profile of a yoghurt company by using a QR code to assist needy families in Cambodia. Another highlighted the Rotarians for Bees fellowship. A proposal to help the Solomon Islands through microbiology was initiated. Rotarians as mentors were encouraged and criteria for developing worthwhile projects elaborated. Collaboration from all levels of both Swinburne and Rotary was clearly evident.

Bob L

PERIDOT THEATRE

Our next night at the Peridot Theatre is on Friday 15th November. I have tickets reserved for Bob & Barb W, Ron & Robbie B, Bill & Judy M, Glenys C and Barb S (2). I can get more if required.

The show is "Stage Kiss" by Sarah Ruhl and Directed by George Werther. As always, I am sure it will be a great night of entertainment.

Please let me know asap if you would like tickets (\$24 each) and I will arrange them for you.

ROTARY MONTHLY THEME

This month Rotary is highlighting its work through Foundation - our "charity of choice". Has your club reached its goal of \$100 per member? Perhaps you have been able to raise the bar higher?

Special – Special – Special – Special – Special – Special –

On Thursday 30th January 2020 we will be hosting the preview night for the first Peridot performance for the year – the very funny "Waiting for God" (If you are old enough you will remember the hilarious British TV series.)

Tickets will be \$22 with proceeds going to our special project Hope Katolo Nursery School in Kenya.

Put the date in your diary and try to put together a group to bring along. A great show, great company and superb catering all for a great cause.

We would really appreciate the support of all of the clubs and groups we have contact with as we have 200 tickets to sell.

Special – Special – Special – Special – Special – Special –

SHARE THE JOY

You can show a family how much you care this Christmas.

Please donate to our Christmas appeal so we can provide families in need with essential nursery equipment and clothing at our busiest time of year.

You can donate quickly and securely online at

www.stkildamums.org



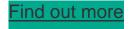
Dear Rotary President,

Have you always wanted to take on a challenge for a worthy cause? ShelterBox's Tasmania Trek could be your next adventure...

We're excited to announce our latest adventure, the **ShelterBox Tasmania Trek 2020**. On this incredible adventure, you'll trek through the rocky mountain peaks, buttongrass moorlands, glacial lakes, waterfalls and the dense rainforest of **Cradle Mountain** and its beautiful surrounds.

To top it off, you'll also be raising funds for ShelterBox Australia to **provide emergency shelter for families who have lost their homes to disaster**, enabling them to rebuild their lives.

When you sign up, you'll join a team of other passionate ShelterBox Australia supporters who will trek with you and we'll give you all the guidance you'll need to start your fundraising journey!





7-11 November 2020

5-day adventure 5 challenge days



Moderately challenging





By taking on this incredible adventure you'll experience one of the world's greatest treks. Best of all, all funds raised will go towards helping families in crisis around the world.

Register your interest

© Inspired Adventures 2019: Suite 2, Level 1, 65-67 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills, 2010.

Throughout the trek you will have the opportunity to learn about how ShelterBox operates in the field and the impact the aid you provide has on those affected by disaster.

Please share this email with friends and family members that might be interested in this amazing opportunity.

Regards,



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Mike Greenslade CEO ShelterBox Australia <u>mike.greenslade@shelterbox.org.au</u> 0459 959 501



WHEN?

• Saturday 21st March 2020 commencing around 8.30 am

to

• Sunday 22nd March 2020 ending around 1.00 pm

REGISTRATION

- Try Booking online https://trybooking.com/BCVRD
- Contact Details:
- Tim Lynn
 - 9810rotaryconference@gmail.com c/- PO Box 59, Box Hill VIC 3128
- Manual form available if unable to access Try Booking
- Options Paddle steamer ride plus Saturday night only



- This will be held prior to the District Conference in Moama, NSW, in March 2020.
- Rich River Golf Club.
- Arrival 12.30-1 pm. (Light lunch will be provided).
 Shotgun start 2 pm. (Remember it's daylight savings.)
- Stableford
- Prizes will be announced at the conference on Saturday or Sunday subject to the timing.
- Opportunity to attend any Club dinners on the Friday evening

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:
 Wil Cornelissen
 wil.cornelissen358@gmail.com



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KIDS FUN RUN WITH THOMAS 2019

The Kids Fun Run with Thomas 2019 will take place on Sunday 24th November at Gembrook Puffing Billy Station.

Children 3-12 years will run against Thomas The Tank Engine in support of the Monash Children's Hospital – Cancer Centre, which is an amazingly worthy cause.

This will be a fantastic day out for all the family, we have lots of great entertainment planned as well as the runs with Thomas. All entrants receive a showbag and certificate.

Early Bird Registration (until 30th September) is \$20 per child, there onwards Registration is \$25. Train rides with Thomas The Tank Engine are \$5. So why not hop on line and register early and lock the date in your diary!

Register online at www.kidsfunrunwiththomas.org.au

Phone enquiries: 0408 769 491

You can also set up a fundraising page to assist us in raising as much as we can to help children who have been diagnosed with cancer.

Follow us on our Facebook page: **Kids Fun Run with Thomas** to keep up to date with all the news.

From: Rotary Club of Emerald & District Inc

