



# FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS

No 19

President: Stuart Williams

20 November 2019

## STU'S SCRIPT

He's back!!

Absolutely delightful to be back. Thanks to everyone who helped keep our Rotary activities going and setting up our future program.

I will be absent next Monday and miss one of our truly marvellous nights. I'm having a medical procedure on Monday.

It would be wonderful if a couple of members would talk to our club executive about leading the club in 21/22. We need to nominate a leader at our AGM.

What a fantastic night last Monday. The robotic team are so impressive - an example of passion producing a positive future. I still have no internet connection for my computer so only a brief note this week.

Stuart

## MEETING REPORT

The Chair for the meeting was Ian Teese.

This evening the Club was presented with the 2018-19 Rotary Citation Award with Silver Distinction.

This award is based on our Club achieving outstanding results for the year in such areas as membership, projects, media etc. Our Club was one of 6 clubs in the District to receive such an award.

PP Mike Finke, our President for the 2018-19, accepted the award on behalf of the Club. Well done to PP Mike Finke in leading the Club in such a successful year.

Guest Speaker for the evening was the team from IC Robotics FRC Team 5584, who had visited us on a couple of occasions in the past. Their presentation was to provide us with an update on their progress.

The robotics team for our meeting was represented by 4 team members and their mentor.

Over the last year the team had competed in the competition to build a robot which had specified capabilities such as movement and placement of a ball as well as other functions. The team competed in Sydney and won the national competition which entitled them to travel to Texas to compete in the world championships.

To their credit, as they had been to Texas last year, they declined the offer to travel to the USA enabling another Australian team to compete in Texas this year.

What was impressive about their activities besides that building a robot was the other activities related to the project including developing a business plan, team building, promoting STEM, marketing, gaining sponsorship etc.

From this list of activities, it was possible for us to see how training and development of these activities, through participation in this project, will provide skills that will assist these team members to be valuable members of organisations such as companies, not for profit organisations, educational institutions etc in the future.

A great project and well presented by the team members.

Currently there are some 35 people involved in the project with an annual spend of around \$40,000.

The raffle raised \$53.00 and the Sergeant \$47.70.

Chris Tuck



"Muck" the robot.



The IC Robotics team with John Bindon and Stuart Williams.  
(The full team numbers around 40 members)



"Muck" thinking about going to work.



Mike accepts the Presidential Citation with Silver Distinction from PDG Russell Gurney.

## 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

This week let us celebrate the myriad ways in which Rotary interacts with the community and also give a special birthday cheer to Ian Teese (today). Sorry about the wrong date last week, Ian.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast on the 26<sup>th</sup> November will be in the care of John Mc P and Ian T while on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December Barb W and Mike F (TBC) will make a formidable team.

## MARKETS

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

## DUTY ROSTER

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Recorder Greeter Emergency Cashier	John Bindon Glenys Grant Barb Williams Bob Williams	Mike Finke Ian Teese Ron Brooks Sue Ballard

## COMING UP

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Report
25 Nov	Youth Achievement Awards	Bill Marsh	Glenys Grant
2 Dec	Committee Meetings	Stuart Williams	Stuart Williams
9 Dec	TBA		
16 Dec	Christmas Meeting	John Bindon	John McPhee
Jan	Club BBQ – venue & date TBA		



## A DAY TO REMEMBER

Last Friday the Davis family, who have been long time supporters of our club, opened their hearts and their home to club members.

We journeyed down to the farm, out of Leongatha, in a variety of ways, Some chauffeured by Peter Davis, some flew in with Gary Davis while others drove their own car.

All members had the chance to join Gary in a flyover of the farm and surrounding area before we all drove down to the farm where Roger and Claire made us so welcome.

The BBQ lunch was followed by a tour of the farm, around 1,000 hectares where some 500 Brangus cattle bred by Roger & Peter enjoy a life of luxury (if you are a bull or a cow!).

We all returned home in the same manner as our arrival after an absolutely super day.

Thank you so much to all of the family for a very special day.



**Bob on gate duty**



**Looking down on the farm**



**I thought you said it was a 747!**



**I'm sure I had boots on when I left home!**

## 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 [rcssmith@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rcssmith@optusnet.com.au)

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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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 [bjmarsh@bigpond.net.au](mailto:bjmarsh@bigpond.net.au) no later than 10.00am on Wednesday each week.

## WEBSITE

Keep up-to-date by checking our website at [www.foresthillrotary.com](http://www.foresthillrotary.com)

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## 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 – Special**

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

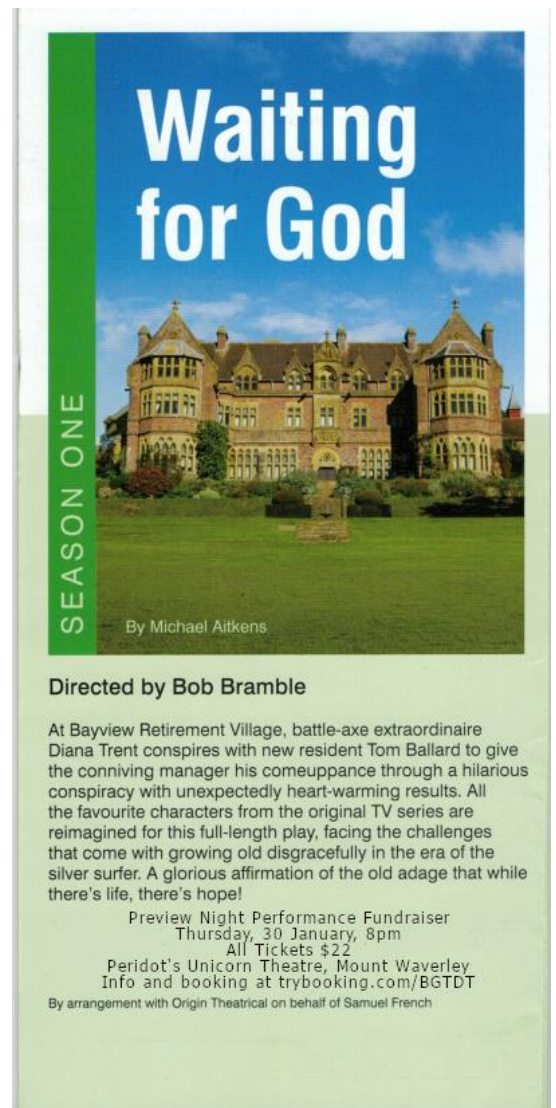
We would really appreciate the support of all of the clubs and groups we have contact with as we have 200 tickets to sell.

**Special – Special – Special – Special – Special – Special – Special**



<https://www.trybooking.com/BGTDI>

**You can use either of these links when booking tickets.**





## 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.



## 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](http://www.stkildamums.org)

# 9810 District Conference

## Celebrating Achievements

**Interplast, a Rotary Success Story**

Jeremy Richardson  
Plastic Surgeon and  
Interplast Volunteer



**Polio – nearly gone, but not quite**

Ian Riseley, Past Rotary International President



**Rotary Health - Suicide Prevention**

Nicole Hill, Rotary Health Scholarship recipient talking about suicide risk factors and suicide clusters in young people in Tasmania



**From an idea to a successful Rotary Project**

Roger Daniel, Maroonah Rotary Club, Billy Cart Marathon Chair



**Reducing food waste - one meal at a time**

Lillie Giang, Refugee, TV Chef and Food Affectionist



**Driverless Cars**

Gerard Waldron, former CEO Australian Road Research Board (ARRB)



**\$100,000 of hay, capitalising on Rotary's credibility**

Lilydale Rotary Club





## WHEN?

• **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020**  
commencing around 8.30 am

to

• **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> 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



## Conference Golf Day – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020

- 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](mailto:wil.cornelissen358@gmail.com)





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