



FOREST HILL FLYER 2011-2012

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. \$27.00 per head

CLUB PROGRAM

30 January	6 February	13 February
Abbreviated Meeting and Partners Dinner in Bucatini	Surviving strokes and the power of Rotary - Leon Moore NYSF - Jess Wynn	Valentine's Day Dinner
Chair		
Doug Berwick	Ron Brooks	Ray Smith
Thanks & Meeting Report		
--	Warwick Stott	--
Club Member Talk		
--	Bill Marsh	--

DUTY ROSTER

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY
Cashier	John McPhee	Glenys Grant
Recorder	David Bremner	Bob Laslett
Greeter	Bill Marsh	David Bremner
Emergency	Bob Williams	Chris Tuck

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

CELEBRATIONS FOR THIS WEEK



30 January – Birthday – Warwick Stott

DOUG'S DEADLINE

Welcome back to my first Deadline for 2012. I know that the 2012 Rotary year has already started but it takes me extra time to move into a new year.

As I mentioned last Monday night, 2012 has made a positive start with the Rotary Foundation meeting the Gates Foundation challenge to raise US\$200 million in matching grants by 30 June 2012. Not only did Rotary raise US\$202.6 million but it was achieved by 17 January 2012! A remarkable feat when you consider we number 1.2 million worldwide. That means each Rotarian was responsible for contributing approx. US\$169 toward eradicating Polio in the world. I think a fair chunk of that was raised by our Sergeants.

ALERT: Registration to allow you to attend the District 9810 Conference being held in Melbourne will close on 23rd February. As you know, the District Conference is being held at a venue in the Docklands on Saturday 21 April and Sunday 22 April. The price is \$385 which allows you to attend the District Conference both days and the Gala Dinner in the Great Hall of the National Gallery on the Saturday evening. Full details can be found at <http://www.9810conference.org.au> including the frequently asked questions. I know that Bob and Judy Laslett are going so there is an incentive to go along and enjoy the programme.

Bob Williams has organised a great month of speakers and activities for our Club members and their partner (if they would like to attend).

The Board hopes to be in a position to announce which major project has been supported by the majority of members. I have been told that only 1 member abstained from voting so we have heard from all our members on this long-standing initiative.

Enjoy your week in Rotary.

Doug Berwick
President

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Last week was our committee meeting night and judging by the conversation level the various committee meetings were very busy.

John McPhee gave an interesting address on his experiences in the fjords of Norway. It sounds like a beautiful part of the world to visit.

FOREST HILL MONTHLY CINEMA VISIT

Come along next month Friday 3rd February if you can. You can just have a meal and fellowship or just go to the movie or just have a coffee or glass of wine. Normal price for the theatre ticket is \$9.50. Melba meals are very good value.

PARTNERS NIGHT AT BUCATINI 30TH JANUARY

It's *Dinner with Partner's Night* on Monday 30th January. As usual, the Partners meet at 6:30pm in the restaurant and our club meeting will be a short 15 minute affair before we join them at 6:45pm. Just choose whatever you want off the full menu - pizza, pasta, etc. We need to know approximate numbers to set up the table so will you check with your Partners and please advise Ray Smith as soon as possible as to whether you will attend.

HOME HOSTING ON MONDAY 27th FEBRUARY

We are looking for one more home for the evening. The McPhee's have kindly volunteered their home. The last home hosting worked really well with two homes. Give Ron a ring 0413-042-043 or email ronbrooks1@optusnet.com.au if you can host.

PROGRAM AND PARTNERS/FRIENDS

Over the next few weeks we have many opportunities where we would like our partners and friends to be involved.

30 January is our social night at Bucatini where members will have a very quick meeting and join their partners in the restaurant – see details above. Unfortunately, it was only a rumour that Ron was shouting us all!

6 February we have Leon Moore from RC Doncaster talking to us about surviving strokes and the power of Rotary. This will be a truly inspirational experience. We also hope to have our National Youth Science student, Jess Wynn, come and tell us about her experiences in Perth. Again, please contact Ray for your additional attendees.

13 February is a must-come-to if only to see what Ron has dreamed up for us as a Valentine's night. Contact Ray again with numbers.

20 February is a special night at Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Hospital where we will meet there at 6-15pm for a tour followed by supper. Another inspirational evening guaranteed. Proposed cost is \$20 per head. All are welcome and please contact **Bob Williams** by 13 February with your numbers.

The excitement continues with yet another opportunity to get together on the 27 February with our home hosting. Ron will advise details as we firm up venues.

So please anticipate, participate and make a date!

Bob Williams.

FOREST HILL'S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

We publish the table below to keep us aware of the challenge.

Membership at the beginning of the year	Current Membership	Change
18	19	+1

AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH DINNER FOR THE NORTHERN REGION CLUSTER (MANNINGHAM AND WHITEHORSE)

On Wednesday 29 February, the Whitehorse and Manningham Clusters will hold the **AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH DINNER** hosted by the Rotary Club of Nunawading

Venue: Casavini

Time: 6:00 for 6:30pm

Cost: \$30 pp, (Drinks at bar prices)

Contact Judith Eadon at the Rotary Club of Nunawading for attendance details.



DISTRICT 9810 Annual Foundation Dinner



THURSDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Hosted by the Rotary Club of Mordialloc.

Guest Speaker: PRIT IAN RISELEY,
Trustee Rotary Foundation 2011-14

Venue: Woodlands Golf Club,

Time: 6:30 pm for 7:00

Cost : \$50 pp (Drinks at bar prices)

For more details, including information on how the club can earn 1000 PHF credits, contact Graeme Bruce on 0438 737 144. N.B. registration forms must be submitted by Thursday February 16.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"Anyone who thinks there's safety in numbers hasn't looked at the stock market pages."
Irene Peter

"Because things are the way they are, things will not stay the way they are."
Bertolt Brecht

IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS

30 January 2012	Club meeting (abbreviated) and Partners Dinner in the Restaurant
1 February 2012	February is World Understanding Month
6 February 2012	Club meeting & NYSF Student
10 February 2012	District - Presidents and Assistant Governors Meeting
10 February 2012	Peridot Theatre Night
11 February 2012	Blackburn Craft Market
12 February 2012	Whitehorse Farmers Market
13 February 2012	Club meeting "Valentine's Day" and Board meeting
20 February 2012	Club meeting - Vocational Visit to Royal Talbot Hospital
20 February 2012	District - Youth Exchange welcome home dinner
23 February 2012	Annual Rotary Foundation Dinner at Woodlands Golf Course
24 February 2012	District - College of Governors meeting
27 February 2012	Club meeting and home hosting
29 February 2012	Australian Rotary Health annual seminar at Casavini
1 March 2012	March is Literacy Month

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next Wednesday week (in Microsoft Word format please)