





### 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**

| 6 February Surviving strokes and the power of Rotary - Leon Moore NYSF - Jess Wynn Chair | 13 February<br>Valentine's Day<br>Dinner | 20 February<br>Vocational Visit to<br>Royal Talbot<br>Rehabilitation<br>Hospital |  |
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| Ray Smith                                                                                | Ron Brooks                               | Doug Berwick                                                                     |  |
| Thanks & Meeting Report                                                                  |                                          |                                                                                  |  |
| Warwick Stott                                                                            |                                          | Doug Berwick                                                                     |  |
| Club Member Talk                                                                         |                                          |                                                                                  |  |
| Bill Marsh                                                                               |                                          |                                                                                  |  |

#### **DUTY ROSTER**

|           | FEBRUARY      |  |
|-----------|---------------|--|
| Cashier   | Glenys Grant  |  |
| Recorder  | Bob Laslett   |  |
| Greeter   | David Bremner |  |
| Emergency | Chris Tuck    |  |

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by <u>10.00 am MONDAY</u>** on 9878 4891 or <u>rcssmith@optusnet.com.au</u> Any cancellation after 10.00 am should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268

#### **CELEBRATIONS FOR THIS WEEK**



#### **DOUG'S DEADLINE**

Our meeting on Monday was a very low-key and low-light affair. Being the 5th Friday in the month it was a social evening with partners in attendance. Unfortunately, there was a severe power failure in the area and the Bucatini restaurant was affected. Ivan and his staff did a marvellous job looking after us and the many candles added some ambience (but did little to assist when the light started to fail). The kitchen staff were terrific in that they provided our meals which came out hot and very tasty. While we did have a limited menu, there was still a good choice despite the problems.

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 Sat 21 April and Sun 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.

As most of you will be aware, February 23 is also Rotary's anniversary and an opportunity to support 'Pin It For Polio'. We hope to have the special 'End Polio Now' pins at one of the meetings near that date. Given that we are visiting Royal Talbot on Monday 20th Feb, they probably won't be available on that day. I hope as many members as possible will take the opportunity to visit Royal Talbot and find out more about the good work that they do.

Enjoy your week in Rotary.

Doug Berwick President

#### **LAST WEEK'S MEETING**

Last week we had an abbreviated meeting (actually no meeting at all) followed by dinner with our Partners in Bucatini Restaurant. Unfortunately, there was a power failure just before 6pm due to a tree falling down and taking out the power lines that supply Bucatini. We left about 8.30pm and the power had still not been restored.

The owner of Bucatini, Ivan Millich, and his staff were fantastic as they changed the menu to delete the meals that needed electric power for cooking and added in meals that could be cooked using gas. Even the cash register and credit card charge machine were out of order. As a result, we dined by candlelight which was novel and, some said, rather romantic!

Ivan and his staff did a great job coping with the added pressure and effort required to cope with the lack of power. At the end of the dinner, I went to the kitchen door and thanked the staff for the way they looked after us. After seeing the effort the staff put into looking after us, I was very glad we stayed with them and didn't take the easy option of going somewhere else for our meal.

David Bremner

#### **CINEMA NIGHT FRI 3rd FEB**

It's the first Friday in the month this week 3rd Feb so it is the Forest Hill Fellowship Cinema Night at Forest Hill Chase. We meet at the Melba Cafe as usual at 7:45pm. Come and have a great value-packed meal or just a chat and coffee or glass of wine. If you don't want to go to the cinema then just come for a meal or chat. Theatre tickets are \$9.50 each. Tell me by midnight on Thursday night how many tickets you want and pick them up by 8:30pm from me on Fri night. The films are:

- Underworld Awakening (3D) 9:10pm Vampires Action Movie (will cost an extra about \$2 plus \$1 for glasses)
- A Few Best Men 8:45pm Comedy, Australian outback wedding
- Chronicle 9:20pm Three high school friends get superpowers will they use them for good or evil?
- The Descendants 8:50pm A father develops his relationships with his two daughters as his wife is dying

- The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo 9:00pm Action, adventure
- Man on a Ledge 9:30pm As police talk to a man threatening suicide, others are attempting a diamond robbery.

Lots of good films to choose from this month.

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# VALENTINE'S NIGHT SPECIAL MON 13<sup>th</sup> FEB

# TAKE YOUR PARTNER OUT FOR DINNER + ENTERTAINMENT in the club's



#### FELLOWSHIP EVENT OF THE YEAR

Come, entertain and be entertained. It's our Valentine's Day Special - a trip down memory lane, a chance to learn secrets, an opportunity to have fun and fellowship. A day early .....but all you young lovers won't mind - You can celebrate all over again on Tues 14<sup>th</sup> Feb. Tell your "Friends of Rotary", tell our honorary members. Bucatini 6.00pm for 6.30pm start, finish at 8.00pm.



#### **HOME HOSTING ON MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY**

We are looking for one more home for the evening. The Marsh'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.

# MESSAGE FROM FRANK FRICKE IN RESPONSE TO HIS 'THINKING OF YOU' CARD FROM THE CLUB

The club were kind enough to wish me well during my recent illness and I would like to pass on my thanks for their kindness.

I am continuing my treatment and consultations with doctors to see how we are going to treat the monster that afflicts me. I can't believe this rotten disease had the temerity to invade my system and I am determined to beat him!

Thanks and regards to all the gang.

Frank Fricke

### <u>DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2014/15 SELECTION COMMITTEE - CALL FOR NOMINATIONS</u>

4 x club endorsed representatives are required – Closing Date Fri. 17 February 2012

Applications for District Governor – Closing date Friday 2 March 2012. Refer to D9810 website for application form and details.

Interviews for District Governor - Sunday 18th March, 2012

Please send nominations / applications to IPDG David Alexander, Secretary District Governor Nominating Committee 2014/15.

#### PROGRAM AND PARTNERS/FRIENDS

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

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. Our National Youth Science student, Jess Wynn, will also come and will 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.

### **District 9810 Conference 2012**

Hosted by the 2012 District Conference Committee and the Rotary Club of Hampton All Day Saturday & Sunday April 21 & 22, Peninsula Conference Centre, Central Pier, Docklands

Cost \$385 per person. Book at <a href="http://www.9810conference.org.au/">http://www.9810conference.org.au/</a> Bookings close 23 February.

#### **QUOTE FOR THE WEEK**

"Death comes to all But great achievements build a monument which shall endure until the sun grows cold."

George Fabricius

"The only way around is through."

Robert Frost

#### **IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS**

| 6 February 2012  | Club meeting & NYSF Student                              |
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| 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                                  |

Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at <a href="mailto:djlb91@bigpond.com">djlb91@bigpond.com</a> by **5 pm** next Wednesday week (in Microsoft Word format please)