

# 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

13 February	20 February	27 February
<b>Valentine's Day Dinner</b>	<b>Vocational Visit to Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Hospital</b>	<b>Committee Meetings</b>
<b>Chair</b>		
Ron Brooks	Doug Berwick	Bill Marsh
<b>Thanks &amp; Meeting Report</b>		
--	Doug Berwick	--
<b>Club Member Talk</b>		
--		Graham Sharman

### DUTY ROSTER

	<b>FEBRUARY</b>
Cashier	Glenys Grant
Recorder	Bob Laslett
Greeter	David Bremner
Emergency	Chris Tuck

### ATTENDANCE

Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by 10.00 am MONDAY** on 9878 4891 or [rcssmith@optusnet.com.au](mailto: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



Rotarian Birthday - 18 February - Geoff Hale

**DOUG'S DEADLINE**

Our lucky President is on holidays.

**LAST WEEK'S MEETING**

In the absence of Pres. Doug, Bob Williams acted on his behalf whilst Ray Smith was chairman

There were 20 attendees, being 15 members, Barb Williams, Leon Moore the guest speaker and Jess Wynn (with two family members) to report on her (National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) experience.

Jess told us that she had a wonderful time in Perth where 144 students in her group spent 12 days during January at the University of Western Australia. The weather was extremely hot until the last day when it poured and everything was drenched.

She attended with an original intention of following in a biomedicine stream, and so her first session was on surgery where the students practised suturing (thank goodness not on live patients, but rather on dummies). They then visited a dental training facility (similarly practising drilling) and then a fertility centre discussing many things including the ethics of artificial insemination. They then attended the centre which is vying for the world-wide rights to build a massive telescope of a square kilometre array.

Jess has applied for the International Science Program, and she is now less sure as to what stream of science she will eventually follow.

She described her time as an absolutely fantastic experience

She is also very proud to have been selected to be a facilitator for next year's NYSF. Congratulations Jess. We are very proud of you.

We then heard from Leon Moore, a member of the Rotary Club of Doncaster, which club was challenged by Mary Wooldridge to set up a choir for people who have had a stroke and had had partial or complete aphasia to see if singing could stimulate their mind to learn to speak. This program had its origins in USA, and this was the first time that it was being attempted in Australia. The first choir had about 11 or so members (based on the number of people in the photo) and commenced in 2009. All of the members had not been able to speak much if at all, and the singing stimulates the ability to mouth words, little by little, which produces a feeling of belonging and then respect. He gave examples of people who had spoken virtually nothing for years, including 16 year old Lilly who had recovered from a coma after 4 years and now had partial aphasia (together with chronic fatigue syndrome just to complicate matters). She slowly improved her speech and her musical skills both on the guitar and in singing. She then performed in Cats, Jesus Christ Superstar and other stage musicals.

In conclusion, Leon's message was that you can recruit the best in people, and it would appear that he has achieved very high results in helping aphasic stroke victims to learn to improve their power of speech.

It was a very instructive evening with two very interesting speakers.

Warwick Stott

**MARKET TO MARKET**

This coming weekend we have our Blackburn Craft Market on Saturday morning in South Parade Blackburn (8am to 1pm) followed on Sunday by the Whitehorse Farmers' Market at the Whitehorse Centre behind the Council Offices in Whitehorse Road (7am to 1pm).

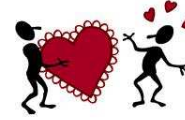
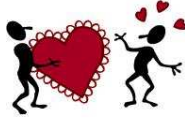
Thanks to those who have responded to the calls from the market coordinators, John McPhee and Warwick Stott, for volunteers to staff the markets.

If the weather is kind to us, we will have two very successful markets.



**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. Please advise Ray Smith of how many are coming.



The sergeant (on our Valentine's Night)



**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.

**PROGRAM AND PARTNERS/FRIENDS**

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

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 <http://www.9810conference.org.au/>

Bookings close 23 February.

### **QUOTE FOR THE WEEK**

"Intellectual growth should commence at birth and cease only at death"

Albert Einstein

"Dream as if you'll live forever, live as if you'll die today."

James Dean

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

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"
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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