





# 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**

19 March Rotary International Peace Scholar -David Vincent	26 March Biology Olympiad - Faye Liu & Committee Meetings	2 April Ambassadorial Challenge - Ashley Mallet
Chair John McPhee	Glenys Grant	John Donaghey
Thanks & Meeting Report		Sour Donagney
David Bremner	John McPhee	Chris Tuck
Club Member Talk		
Bob Laslett	Gary Baltissen	David Bremner

## **DUTY ROSTER**

	MARCH
Cashier	Bob Williams
Recorder	Warwick Stott
Greeter	Helen McNamara
Emergency	Bill Marsh

# **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**



- 21 March Stuart Williams Club Member Anniversary
- 22 March John McPhee Club Member Anniversary
- 23 March David Bremner Club Member Anniversary

## **DOUG'S DEADLINE**

I hope you all enjoyed your long weekend and the weather that came with it.

Our thoughts must still go to our fellow Victorians in the North who have again been inundated by floodwaters. I hope that, as a Club and a District, we again look to finding ways of providing support to the Rotary Clubs and their communities in the affected areas.

On a more positive note, I am now in a position to provide a report to the Club on the major project/s that we have been discussing for several months. Unfortunately, you will have to wait until our meeting on Monday to get the details or wait for next week's Flyer.

I also want to mention the request for a volunteer to represent the Club on a Cluster Committee being formed to promote Rotary within the City of Whitehorse or other appropriate areas. As I mentioned last week, we have two opportunities this year to promote Rotary at an exhibition and festival but need a group to organise the stand and roster members from the Cluster to be present. I'm not sure how much work will be involved but envisage that the Volunteer Expo in May will be fairly easy to arrange. This will provide the groundwork for an expanded presence at the Whitehorse Festival which is being held on Sunday 23 October. It is a great opportunity to build the profile of Rotary within our Community at a small cost to all of us.

On another positive note, preparations for the International Service Seminar that is being hosted by our Club at 'Casavini', Doncaster East, on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May is well in hand. Glenys and her Committee have been working with the Chair of the District International Service Committee, Ian Armstrong, to ensure the evening is informative and runs smoothly. Likewise, arrangements for hosting the visiting GSE team from Texas are being finalised. With all this activity and Easter rocketing (or should I say hopping) toward us, the end of this Rotary year is rapidly drawing to a close. However, there are still a few things to be dealt with including our District Conference in April.

Until our next meeting, enjoy your week in Rotary.

Doug Berwick President

#### **RESIGNATION**

Helen McNamara has resigned from our club. We thank Helen for her contribution to the life and work of the club and extend our best wishes for the future.

#### **CHANGES TO THE CLUB'S CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS**

At our meeting on 26 March, we will vote on proposed changes to the club's constitution and bylaws. All Rotary clubs are required to make these changes as a result of the decisions of the last Rotary International Council on Legislation – Rotary's law-making body.

On 27 March, Secretary Bill Marsh issued formal notice of the meeting together with details of the proposed changes. Unfortunately, because of a Probus commitment, I won't be able to attend the meeting and therefore if anyone has any questions about the proposed changes can you please speak to me at Monday's meeting or prior to 24 March. At the Board's request, I prepared the proposed changes and therefore can hopefully answer any questions.

David Bremner

### **ROTARY CLUB OF FOREST HILL FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION**

Time is running out and to date only four people have signed up for the tipping competition. This is an invitation to join Forest Hill Rotary's footy tipping comp for 2012. Cost is \$30 of which \$23 is for prizes and \$7 for Rotary projects.

It is easy to join up. Just highlight the URL below and it will take you to the correct page/comp. Put in your details and I will collect your money SOON. Footy starts in 11 days. It is good fun - they send you a reminder each week, and you still get some selections EVEN if you forget to put in your tips

I would love your name to come up on my computer that you have joined.

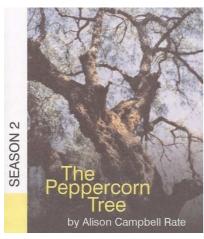
http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/Forest\_Hill\_Rotary (there is an underscore between forest and hill and rotary)

Stuart Williams

#### **CONDOLENCES**

We extend our sympathy to Jenny Tuck and her family. The funeral for Jenny's brother, Malcolm Praeger, will be held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 11.00 am at the Camberwell Baptist Church, 460 Riversdale Road, Hawthorn East.

#### PERIDOT THEATRE



# The Peppercorn Tree

Fri 4 May 2012 8:00pm Directed by Tim Long

In Tobruk in WW2 during an early morning raid, Jonah Cloake makes a split second decision. The fallout takes root and grows to overshadow his life and future relationships, especially with his wife and only son. Burying his guilt under a veneer of jibes and humour, Jonah has succeeded in avoiding his past for decades. Now as he nears the end of his life, the aging Jonah reluctantly agrees to record his memoirs with a biographer and in the process is forced to confront his demons. Humorous and deeply moving, The Peppercorn Tree is a story of mateship, love, regret and reconciliation.

An attendance sheet will be circulated at the meeting on 19 March for you to indicate your attendance. If Friends of Rotary wish to attend, please contact David Bremner by 19 March.

#### SPEAKING PANEL OF AGED CARE EXPERTS

Come and listen to four speakers on the legal, financial and accommodation aspects of Aged Care. Free, 21 March at Mitcham RSL, 26 McDowall St, Mitcham. Topics include - Stay at home but get extra care? Move to various types of retirement villages or aged care facility? What are the legal and financial implications of selling or not selling your home? How is Centrelink payment affected? Etc?

#### **ROTARY HEALTH RESEARCH**

Invitation to hear Joy Gillett and Prof Michael Sawyer (medical advisor to the Board) speak at RC of Waverley, Tues 27 March at Riversdale Golf Club, Huntingdale Road, Mount Waverley, noon for 12:30pm start, finish at 2:00pm. Cost \$25 for 2 courses. Please notify PDG Fred Hay 9726-692 by 21 March (or Ron Brooks in time for him to tell Fred).

#### 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	
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#### MARKET WEEKEND

The Blackburn and Whitehorse markets were held on 10 and 11 March. Thanks to those who volunteered to help. The results of the Blackburn Market will be reported next Monday. The Whitehorse Market grossed \$6,046, a very good result.

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

"The important thing is not so much that every child should be taught, as that every child should be given the wish to learn." John Lubbock

"By learning you will teach; by teaching you will understand." Latin Proverb

#### HOT CROSS BUNS

The Rotary Club of Mont Albert & Surrey Hills is again selling its Hot Cross Buns with \$3 of each dozen sold going to the "End Polio Now" program of the Rotary Foundation in your club's name.

Deliveries will be made on the Monday to Wednesday of Easter week (being 2 to 4 April, 2012), but we can deliver earlier if you prefer.

The Hot Cross Buns are baked fresh at Bread Street Bakery and are so yummy, you want to have more!

Contact Jenny Coburn on 0407 689 777 for details.

#### IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS

19 March 2012	Club meeting
23 March 2012	District - Group Study Exchange Team from Texas arrives
26 March 2012	Club meeting
1 April 2012	April is Rotary Magazine Month
2 April 2012	Club meeting
8 April 2012	Whitehorse Farmers Market
9 April 2012	Club meeting cancelled - Easter
14 April 2012	Blackburn Craft Market
16 April 2012	Club meeting and Board meeting
21 April 2012	District Conference in Melbourne (21 & 22 April)
23 April 2012	Club meeting

#### **DISTRICT 9810 CONFERENCE**

Inspiring projects, notable speakers and lots of fun is in place. All we need now is you - the brightest and best of D9810.

No big transport costs, no extra hotel nights, a big full-blooded conference using the weekend: main plenaries in Peninsula Room, Pier 14 Docklands, April 21-22, 2012 and Gala Dinner at the Great Hall, NGV on the Saturday night. Go to Trybooking for your Conference registration.

**And now a request:** If I asked you the question: "what's behind the Rotary wheel"? How would you answer? Well, let me tell you who I think is the strength "behind the Rotary wheel" and that is our Partners. So, a highlight of this year's Conference will be a Q&A session exploring that very question. **We need some volunteers** and are looking for Rotary Partners to play a special role in this segment. Can you ask your Partner please - or encourage other Partners from your club to contact me by email if they would like to hear how they can get involved

**District Governor Juliet Riseley** 

Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at <u>djlb91@bigpond.com</u> by **5 pm next Wednesday** (in Microsoft Word format please)