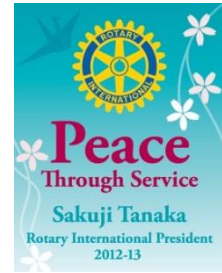




**2012-2013**

# **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.**

**Meal cost \$27.00**

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## **CLUB PROGRAM**

Date	Event	Chair	Thanker and Meeting Report	Member Talk on an aspect of peace
29 October	Abbreviated meeting and dinner with partners at Bucatini	Glenys Grant	Gary Baltissen	
5 November	No Meeting Cup eve			
12 November	Men's Shed Barry Phillips Committees Exchange students	Ron Brooks	Bill Marsh	Stuart Williams

## **THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS**



30 October- Birthday – Heather Bremner

31 October- Wedding Anniversary– John and Margaret McPhee

## **DUTY ROSTER**

	<b>October</b>	<b>November</b>
Cashier	Graham Sharman	John Donaghey
Recorder	Warwick Stott	Ron Brooks
Greeter	Glenys Grant	Gary Baltissen
Emergency	Chris Tuck	Bob Williams

## 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

## BOB'S BELLBIRD BLOG

Our thoughts are with Heather Bremner- breaking one ankle and spraining the other on top of all her recent events. Thanks to Stuart for arranging a great night at Doncaster BMW and to all the extra attendees. Stan managed to extract \$25.60 for the Foundation without raising a sweat. There was a windy but successful day at the Whitehorse Spring Festival on Sunday- a big thankyou to Doug for playing his part in taking responsibility for the organisation on behalf of the Rotary cluster.

Coming up

- Ron has been volunteered to look after the club's website-many thanks
- "An Afternoon at the Proms", Sunday 11 November, 3pm- Monash Concert Band, Robert Blackwood Hall
- Hanover Ride for the Homeless- 18 November
- Annual Foundation dinner- 22 November- looking for a table of 10- Board subsidy \$15
- Club day for visiting GSE team from Malaysia -4 March 2013
- District Conference - 15-17 March 2013 -Wangaratta- 8 rooms booked at Advance Motel- - early bird registrations by October 31. I would like to have our contingent sorted by then.

Please make sure our Friends of Rotary are invited this Monday and don't forget your partners.

## LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Vocational visit to Doncaster BMW

On Monday evening we had the privilege to visit the largest BMW showroom in the southern hemisphere and the third largest BMW dealership in the world. Our host and guide was Ingo Reisch, Managing Director and the energy and spirit behind this stunning dealership. We started in the massive showroom with its central coffee shop and reception and observed the beautiful flooring. The different tiles, timber and glass signify certain aspects of BMW marketing. The black tiles, with the most cars displayed represent an autobahn, special new cars are parked on a glass floor. Michael Williams demonstrated what the BMW key tells the service advisor; everything from brake pad wear, tyre pressure, Km travelled and amount of oil in the engine. We visited the large workshop with its well- equipped bays. The amount of computerization was amazing. Large exhaust hoses are connected to all exhausts whilst cars are running. Modern auto servicing practice is not so much repairing as replacing components. We moved to the large used car area, saw the impressive underground wine cellar and then the funky Mini Shop where bright colours capture the Mini mood. We exited that building through the Motorad showroom (BMW bikes) and saw the extensive range. All police bikes are now BMW and Doncaster has the contract to service them. Back in the main building we ventured up to the "Flight Deck"-a function room on the third level that has a panoramic view across Melbourne, all the way to Melbourne Airport. This room has its own stories and some unique memorabilia. Ingo told us the story behind the historic bike in his office. The buildings are impressive examples of environmentally smart designs. Examples range from the decorative solar panels across the front that cut down the electricity costs, extra thick insulated glazing to windows that impacts on heating and cooling as well as extensive water capture that is reused on site. The 169 staff are valued. Their lunch room doubles as a 150 person function space with its 5-star hotel quality kitchen and the room opens out onto a deck with an outdoor pizza oven. We ate in sight of a very special Mini. The Mini Goodwood is one of only 1,000 produced. It is the most expensive Mini and was fitted out under the guidance of the Rolls Royce factory. A big thank- you to the marketing staff for organizing the catering. After two hours at the dealership it was easy to see why Doncaster BMW won the 2011 BMW trophy for excellence in professionalism, presentation and performance. President Bob thanked Ingo for his time and allowing us to briefly share his passion for BMW excellence and customer service.

Stuart Williams

## PEACE



## ROTARY CLUBS PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN KIDS EDUCATION

The Board has agreed to support the ABCD project in Taveuni, Fiji in conjunction with the Whitehorse Rotaract club. PP Stuart has agreed to champion the project. Ken Wall has reported that paintings from Taveuni Central School will be displayed at the upcoming District conference.

## CONFERENCE

**Where** The District 9810 Conference in 2013 will be held at the magnificent [Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre](#)

**When** The conference runs from lunch time Friday 15th March to Sunday 17th March 2013.

## Saturday Night



# A touch of green

Whether you decide to celebrate St Patrick's Day or choose a different interpretation, include a touch of green in your dress for this fun night. Don't want to 'dress up'? A green tie and handkerchief or a green blouse or skirt will do. To be held in a large marquee with a tree in the middle, the night will feature great food and wine from the local area – an opportunity to indulge your senses.

**MORE** <http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/registration/>

**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER- early bird closes end of October**

## FOREST HILL'S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

**Current 16**

**Aim 20**

## POLIO NEWS

There is a new and important website – [endpolionow.org](http://endpolionow.org) that you should visit and help make history

It

- Has top stories
- Has interactive information
- Shows how your donation matters
- Shows how to calculate your “social worth” and use your social media status to share Rotary’s polio story
- Gives Polio communication resources

## INTERESTING PROPOSITIONS

A murderer is condemned to death. He has to choose between three rooms. The first is full of raging fires. The second is full of assassins with loaded guns. The third is full of lions that haven’t eaten in three years. Which room is safest for him?

(Bring your answer for the Sergeant to mark.)

## ANNUAL FOUNDATION DINNER

**THUR 22 NOV**  
**9:00 pm**

**6:30 to**

**District  
9810  
Annual  
Foundation  
Dinner**  
hosted by  
**The  
Rotary**



**Club of Noble Park**

**Keynote Speaker: Bruce Allen**

For details and registration  
visit: [Foundation](#)

Contact: Keith Maxwell at [KEITH](#)

Phone: **0418 647 064**

**The Rotary Club of Noble Park  
Inc. You are invited to attend  
D9810 Rotary Foundation Annual Dinner  
Wheelers Hill International, 242 Jells Road Wheelers Hill Vic 3150  
(Mel 71 H 11)**

**Guest Speaker - PDG Bruce Allen Manager - The Rotary Foundation  
South Pacific & Philippines Office**

Two course dinner (drinks @ bar prices) We hope you can join us to make up  
tables of 10.

**\$45 per person. (includes a pre dinner drink)**

Proceeds will support The Rotary Foundation humanitarian & educational projects in Australia and overseas

Starting 6.30 for 7.00pm start, concluding by 9.00pm

**A table of 10 from a single club will provide that club with sufficient credits to recognise a Rotarian or member of the community as a Paul Harris Fellow. Clubs might consider subsidising their bookings by \$20 each. In this way, a table of 10 would cost a club \$200, but would provide 1000 PHF credits.**

RSVP to: Keith Maxwell by Thurs 15/11/2012 [keith\\_t\\_maxwell@yahoo.com.au](mailto:keith_t_maxwell@yahoo.com.au) phone: 0418 647 064 Please bring your club name badge

Payment by cheque to The Rotary Club of Noble Park 5 Romsey Street Noble Park Vic 3174

## RECIPE COLLECTION

Dear Rotary Friends,

As a new club, we are working on fundraising projects to pay for programs that we wish to be involved in. Ten years ago, I put together a recipe book called 'What's for Dinner Tonight?' and I appreciated the wonderful recipes that friends throughout the district kindly sent me.

I thought now was the time to put another Recipe Collection together and would really appreciate your help - if you could share your favourite recipe(s) with us.

We are planning to put a Recipe Collection together with a selection of eBooks which will eventually be available on line for visitors to our website from all over the world to purchase. Initially, we have started with:

- Your Favourite Recipe? (This is always a good tried and tested recipe!)
- Quick & Easy Meals (to suit today's busy lifestyles)
- Second Helpings (using leftovers and other thrifty recipes)

I really would appreciate your support and look forward to receiving your delicious recipes!

Kind regards,  
Carol Hedley  
Rotary eClub of Greater Melbourne

PS: (To meet copyright regulations, please advise the source of your recipe if known!)

<http://rotaryclubgreatermelbourne.org.au/category/club-projects/recipe-collection/>

## IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS

<b>10/2012</b>	<b>VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH</b>
29/10/2012	Club meeting/Partners
31/10/2012	District Foundation Grants go live
<b>11/2012</b>	<b>ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH</b>
1/11/2012	Cluster Presidents meeting
5/11/2012	No club meeting
9/11/2012	Presidents meeting
12/11/2012	Club meeting

Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at [rlaslett@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rlaslett@optusnet.com.au) by **5 pm next Wednesday** (in Microsoft Word format please)