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|  | 2012-2013  Weekly Bulletin of the  Rotary Club of Forest Hill |  |
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| THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS Barbara Williams- Birthday-29 November |
| DUTY ROSTER  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | **December** |  | | Cashier | Bob Williams |  | | Recorder | John Donaghey |  | | Greeter | Bill Marsh |  | | Emergency | John McPhee |  |  ATTENDANCE  |  | | --- | | Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by** **10.00 am MONDAY** on9878 4891 or[rcssmith@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rcssmith@optusnet.com.au%20)  Any cancellation after 10.00 am should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268 | |

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# BOB’S BELLBIRD BLOG

Congrats to Heather and Robert Neilson as they are now proud great grandparents to Oscar Henri Modra. Oscar was born to their granddaughter Clare and Travis in Adelaide.

What a great night on Monday. It was a real team effort- a big thankyou to all who worked to make it such a success. Sergeant Stan raised $76.10 for Foundation. Thanks to those that helped collect signatures re the possible loss of the Nadrasca farm and attended the Foundation dinner. Sorry to hear of the death of district identity Bill Hardy.

Coming up

* Gifts for local needy at our annual Christmas breakfast meeting-17 December
* Club day for visiting GSE team from Malaysia -4 March 2013
* District Conference – 15-17 March 2013 –Wangaratta- 5 rooms booked at Advance Motel-

This week we have our AGM and listen to Gwen Rosengren from Better Hearing Australia. Her topic is *Hearing Loss Management – Using a multiple pathway approach.*

# LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Meeting 26th November Report

The room at Bucatinis was packed for this year’s Bert Sloane Youth Achievement Awards. Stan opened the proceedings with a moment of Rotary reflection. Ray announced that, last Monday the Board had approved the spending of $650 for sports equipment for Evolve to use at Typo Station Victoria and $3650 for the men’s shed at NADRASCA Springvale Road. The latter money is to come from the Harper bequest.

Peter Martens, Pride of Workmanship Award recipient was introduced to present $1000 (a later donation made this $1050) to Dr. Graham Duke of the Vanuatu Blindness Prevention Project. Peter had donated his $300 award, received a further $300 from his employer(RACV Whitehorse Accident Repair Centre) and the Club added $400.

Chairman, Bob Williams enlisted the help of the two police guest speakers in presenting the Youth Achievement Awards to year 6 children from 11 local schools. After Bob read out the reports written by the schools the students were given a certificate and a $50 voucher.

Policeman Alasdair Gaul spoke about the work of police and mentioned how the public can assist them. Policewoman, Liz Toffoletti, who was part of a GSE team to Texas gave a vivid talk on her experiences.

The night, very well organised, enjoyed by all, was an excellent advertisement for Rotary activities.

**Awardees**

Amy Burchell Vermont PS William McLean Parkmore PS

Mia Washington Weeden Heights PS Bridget Harfield Burwood Heights PS

Chloe Taubert Mt Pleasant PS Amelia Casey Rangeview PS

Leah Burgess Vermont South Special School

Alyssa Tassone Orchard Grove PS Liam Bellingham Livingstone PS

Brendan Sammut Blackburn Lake PS Bridget McKinley St Timothy’s



Ray Smith

# PEACE

Our peace speaker was Bill Marsh. He presented a down-to-earth approach to peace bringing it home to those present particularly the schoolchildren. He briefly summarized earlier talks by club members on peace relating to our President’s theme and posed the question what is peace. Can it only come through war? He looked at peace around the world and then brought the peace concept right into the home. He preferred the term hassle instead of war in the home situation. How do you get a hassle free life? In your home or school what causes hassles and how can you limit or prevent them? He explained that peace is a choice particularly in the home situation and wouldn’t it be great if that choice spread around the world. Peace can spread through each one of us so let us choose to spread that option.

**Rotary clubs play a vital role in kids education**

Emma Wall has made a very generous offer on behalf of her band 'Emma Wall and the Urban Folk'.

The band have decided that they will take their total contribution to RC Forest Hill up to $750 for the first year - which will support three children at Taveuni Central Primary School.  That of course includes the $424.75 you already have and the donations to come from Adelaide and Brisbane.  The band would like to maintain their annual donation at $750 (3 children) in coming years if all goes well. A big thankyou to the group making a big difference to Fijian Kids.

# CONFERENCE

Eight people from our club are planning to attend and six have paid their registration dues.

**Where** The District 9810 Conference in 2013 will be held at the magnificent  [Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre](http://www.arts.vic.gov.au/Arts_in_Victoria/Arts_in_Regional_Victoria/Regional_Performing_Arts_Centres/Wangaratta_Performing_Arts_Centre)

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

**Saturday Night**

[](http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/files/2012/04/Leprechaun.gif)

[](http://2013conference.9810rotary.org.au/files/2012/03/A-Touch-of-Green-Word-Art.png)

 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/>

# FOREST HILL’S MEMBERSHIP CHALLENGE

# Current 16

# Aim 20

# NEXT WEEK

Partner Control Night Mon 10th Dec

Put this date in your diary or tie a piece of string around your finger. This Annual Event is always good fun. Acting Greeter Marg McPhee will welcome you to a night chaired by Acting chairman Tracey Berwick. Acting President Judy Laslett will open the meeting and Acting sergeant Barbara Williams will fine you for your annual misdemeanours. The club weekly Peace talk will be given by Jenny Tuck and the speaker will be Robbie Brooks “Cycling across the Czech Republic” or was the title “Does a 50 cent beer make up for cold, heat, rain and headwinds?”

# INTERESTING PROPOSITIONS

Answers to Flyer questions.

In with the lions – after three years without food they would all be dead.

A photographer – she shot her husband (photograph), drowned him (developed) and hung him (hung print up to dry).

Cinema Night Fri 7th Dec

It’s the first Friday of the month so ……. It’s the Forest Hill Cinema Night again at Forest Hill Chase. $7.50 a ticket! Yes, that’s right, only $7.50 a ticket if I buy seniors tickets in bulk. Plan is to meet at 6pm for dinner at “Secret Recipes” right by the cinema in time for the early screenings but if you just want a drink, or coffee or a just a chat well come anytime before we head off to the cinema. Look at the papers to see what’s on and when then just tell me by Thursday midnight as I buy the tickets Friday morning. I’ll circulate an email saying what films are on next Tuesday night. Hope to see you there.

Ron Brooks

Fellowship Coordinator

# ROTARY RIDE FOR RESEARCH DOLLARS

Our 2013 - **26th District bike ride** on the **17th to 22nd March 2013** is up and running. Unlike previous

years, the Ride follows the weekend Conference. It is hoped that there will be over 50 or so riders of all

ages, and a support crew of 13 to begin the ride from Wangaratta starting after lunch on Sunday. Those going to the conference will be able to drop bikes off in Boronia before the weekend and they will be transported to Wangaratta for you. Those only going on the ride will meet Sunday morning to be driven up to the start of the ‘Tour’.

*The Route*.

Leaving at lunchtime from the district Conference venue in Wangaratta, the

Ride will go through the picturesque country around Bright. It will travel to

Myrtleford, then around to Mount Beauty and Harrietville, before driving to

the top of Mt Hotham for a spectacular 90 km downhill ride over to

Bairnsdale. Following that we wind through the back roads of Gippsland,

passing through Sale, Churchill, Yinnar, Thorpdale, Trafalgar, Bona Vista

and Warragul, Drouin, Pakenham, Emerald and Wandin, before arriving back

at Boronia on 22 March, five and a half days later.

We would like all Rotary members, family or friends to consider coming on the ride to help raise money for

Australian Rotary Health (under your clubs banner). Anyone can come either as a rider (we have 4 teams

from those that have not ridden before, through to experienced riders) or on the support crew! Have a great time, a great ride and help Australian Rotary Health.

The detail and application forms are on the district web site (click here)

<http://operations.9810rotary.org.au/community/ride-for-research-dollars/>

PP Rob Parsons

# IMPORTANT UPCOMING CLUB AND DISTRICT EVENTS

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| **11/2012** |  | | ***ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH*** |
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| 30/11/2012 |  | | Institute |
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| **12/2012** |  | | **FAMILY OF ROTARY** |
| 3/12/2012 |  | | Club meeting/ AGM |  |  |
| 10/12/2012 |  | | Club meeting |  |  |
| 17/10/2012 |  | | Breakfast meeting |  |  |
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Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at rlaslett@optusnet.com.au by **5 pm next Wednesday** (in Microsoft Word format please)