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|  | 2013-2014  Weekly Bulletin of the  Rotary Club of Forest Hill |  |
| Edition 40: 05 May 2014  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 $28.00  PO Box 116, Nunawading 3131  **Email**  [**tuck@netspace.net.au**](mailto:tuck@netspace.net.au) **Website** [**www.foresthillrotary.com**](http://www.foresthillrotary.com) | | |

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**Chris’s Corner**

This week we presented our Pride of Workmanship award to Joshua Fung of Doncaster BMW. Joshua not only received a Rotary plaque but also a cheque for $500.

Before the award was presented to Joshua our Past President David McNamara gave an excellent presentation as to why Joshua was a worthy winner of the award. Also the Service Manager from BMW outlined the reason for Joshua’s selection (see below).

It was a pleasure to have both Carole and David McNamara at our meeting. David is currently heavily involved in the U3A organization.

We wish Marg Taylor a speedy recovery from her recent illness.

Also our thoughts go to Garry Baltissen with the loss of his farther recently.

A reminder District Assembly is Sunday May 18 2014. Please let Bill Marsh know if you will be attending the Assembly.

The first meeting of our new membership group, Warwick Stott, John McPhee, Bill Marsh and Chris Tuck (Doug Berwick was an apology) was held prior to the Club meeting. It is envisaged that this group will meeting regularly for the next six months to stimulate our new membership activity. Bill Marsh has already produced a flyer outlining our Club’s role in Rotary which will greatly assist introducing possible members to the Club. This flyer will be available at the new Blackburn market.

Please contact any members of this group if you have any further ideas relating to membership.

Do not forget to check out our website, [www.foresthillrotary.com](http://www.foresthillrotary.com) and send Ron Brooks any information and recommendations for the website.

Future Events.

* Peridot Theatre Friday May 2
* Friday Film night May 9
* Blackburn Market May 10
* Whitehorse Farmers Market May 11
* District Assembly Sunday May 18

# Last Week’s Meeting

At our last meeting we had an excellent speaker Major Brendan Nottle from the Salvation Army.

Brendan was the winner of the prestigious Melburnian of the Year award for 2013.

Each week Brendan can be found in the city giving crucial support to those in need, including meals, clothing and counselling.

In his presentation to us he gave a very interesting outline of the history of Melbourne going back to 1835 including John Batman and Henry Reid and later links to the foundation of The Salvation Army.

Melbourne, in those early years was at the forefront of social reform.

Today the Salvation Army, Melbourne City Mission, is providing quality service delivery to the needy as well as promoting social change.

Examples of this work include providing breakfast to some 80 people each morning and 200-250 people for lunch.

Also some 1000 young volunteers have been recruited to assist young people at risk at night in Melbourne providing water, lollies and thongs.

The Mission is also working with the Collingwood Football Club to provide housing for the homeless.

The Sergeant raised $35.35

Chris Tuck

**Rotary recognises Doncaster BMW technician.**

From Stuart Williams

At a recent dinner meeting The Rotary Club of Forest Hill awarded Josh Fung a Pride of Workmanship award. The award was presented at a special club meeting that had The Melbournian of the Year 2013, Major Brendan Nottle of The Salvation Army as its guest speaker. The Pride of Workmanship award is made annually and is one of a number of Vocational awards the club makes from the money it earns from managing the Whitehorse Farmers Market.

Supporting Josh on the evening were David McNamara (past club president and former courtesy driver Doncaster BMW), Stuart Williams (twice club president, current member and courtesy driver Doncaster BMW) and the Doncaster BMW Service Manager, Sam Gibson. Sam spoke of Josh’s dedication to his work, his assistance to young apprentices, his willingness to see through jobs thoroughly and his ability to be an important member of the workshop team. Workers with the dedication and skill of Josh assisted Doncaster BMW in its quest to deliver 5 –star service. Josh has been with Doncaster Motors for 9 years and David spoke of Josh’s ability to overcome adversity, challenges in his life and his wonderful rapport with his fellow workers.

The award was presented by Club President, Chris Tuck and consisted of a plaque and a cheque. Josh in his acceptance speech thanked the Rotary Club of Forest Hill for making the award possible and commented that such recognition would encourage him to strive for even better results. Josh said he also appreciated the friendship and support given by David and Stuart and the leadership of Sam as his manager.

Congratulations to Josh, well deserved, as he truly takes pride in his workmanship.

**Entertainment Books**

We urgently need to sell 3 more Entertainment Books.  These wonderful books that offer thousands of discounts are great gifts.  Children and even grand Children could get hundreds of dollars’ worth of savings.  Only $65.  That money could be recouped with 3 outings.  Fast food, treats, movies, accommodation discounts, activities like mini golf, Puffing Billy ... hundreds of opportunities.  I have given my kids a book each this year.   Our club makes $13 on each book for club funds.  Please contact Warwick Stott, if you would like to purchase one.  I will be away for 3 weeks, but the new book does not start until 1 JUNE.

Stuart Williams

**Harvey World Travel Offer**

Harvey World Travel, Forest Hill Chase, offers to the Club $30 for any booking up to $10,000 and anything over $10,000 1% plus 10% insurance.

Thanks to Glory Britto for making this offer available to the Club.

**Committee Structure 2013-14**

**Foundation & International Chair Stuart Williams**

Members Graham Sharman, Ron Brooks (support on request)

**New Generations Chair Glenys Grant**

Members John McPhee, Warwick Stott, John Donaghey

**Community & Vocation Chair Ray Smith**

Members Bob Williams, Bob Laslett, Garry Baltissen

**Membership/PR/Marketing Chair Doug Berwick**

Members Bill Marsh, Stan Harper and Chris Tuck (support on request)

**Fellowship Chair Ron Brooks**

Member Chris Tuck

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| **Thought For The Week**  The following person has been active or honorary member of a Rotary Club.  Prince Frederik of Denmark (RC Copenhagen).  **From The Back Paddock.**  The Wine Equalization Tax is a 29% charge on the wholesale price of wine which collects more than $700 million  in net tax per year. Wineries large and small can claim up to $500,000 WET rebate per winery which supports  particularly small wineries that effectively pay no WET tax. IMPORTANT UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS Rotary International Convention, Sydney – June 1-4.  Please have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at tuck@netspace.net.au by **5 pm Wednesday**  (in Microsoft Word format please).  Also if you do not wish to receive this flyer in the future please contact the Editor [tuck@netspace.net.au](mailto:tuck@netspace.net.au) |
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