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|  | 2013-2014  Weekly Bulletin of the  Rotary Club of Forest Hill |  |
| Edition 46: 23 June 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**

From the Whitehorse Farmers Market Committee it is worth noting that proceeds from the market for

distribution to organisations in The City of Whitehorse since commencing total $321,411.

This year our Club will donate some $45,000 to local and international projects.

The return dinner for the GSE team will be held on July 23 2014.

The final board meeting for the Rotary Year was held last Monday night.

I would like to thank all Board members for their excellent efforts throughout the year.

It was a pleasure to have Andrew White as our speaker last Monday night. His presentation on recent changes and the future direction of the motor vehicle industry in Australia was excellent. (See report below). As Ray Smith mentioned it was the first time in many years a speaker had been invited back to

speak again within one year.

Again it was great to have Jenny Coburn present. She is assisting us with our membership activities.

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.

* Club Changeover Night Monday June 30

# Last Week’s Meeting

A well-attended meeting heard again from Andrew White his thoughts on the car industry in Australia. Andrew worked for many years with General Motors and was sad to hear the Australian manager have to announce that Holden would have to cease production in Australia. This sadness extended to the workers who would lose their jobs. He outlined some of the reasons for the withdrawal; the high salaries negotiated, the high cost of committing to a new model, the exchange rate of the dollar the Australian government withdrawing subsidies and people not buying large cars.

Andrew thought that the decision to withdraw of the subsidies was the correct one for Australia. He then predicted some good and bad news for the future. The bad: loss of jobs and skills. The good: possibly cheaper cars because tariffs could be done away with and the keeping of a skilled design team.

Donation to NADRASCA

Solar panels have now been installed on one of NADRASCA’s farm buildings. The cost of this will be a donation from the Harper bequest. Arrangements are being made for Club members to make a visit to inspect them.

RYLA

Two visitors for the evening was applicant for RYLA and his sister who are both rotaractors. Gregory Lobo is doing an economics engineering degree at Monash University.

Ray Smith

The Sergeant raised $41.85 for Foundation.

**Art Competition Forest Hill College**

The project is proceeding well with the following activities in the near future.

1. Photo-shoot at Forest Hill Secondary College June 25 2014.
2. Presentation of certificates and vouchers July 25 2014.
3. Book launch Whitehorse Council Library Monday August 18 2014 all welcome including partners.

**Entertainment Books**

We urgently need to sell 2 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 or myself if you would like to purchase one. The new book starts 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.  Guglielmo Marconi, inventor and Nobel Prize laureate in physics, Italy (RC Bologna).  **From The Back Paddock.**  At present fuel taxes, tolls and registration expenses generates about $20 billion a year.  About $17 billion of these funds are reinvested in roads and bridges. IMPORTANT UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTS District Changeover Night Saturday June 28.  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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