

STU'S SCRIPT

Well done to all involved in Monday night's wonderful Youth Achievement Awards.

It was inspirational to see, and hear about, the wonderful work undertaken by the twelve recipients in their schools and local communities.

As always it was a pleasure to welcome DG Shia Smart and AG Geoff Logie-Smith to our meeting.

Our guest speaker was Rose Hensher from Box Hill High School. Rose was one of our MUNA representatives who won this year's District competition and then went on to win a Peace Prize at the National MUNA competition.

Last Friday I attended the District Presidents' meeting where I was reminded of the many and varied programs that Rotary is involved in.

Rotary will have been in Australia and New Zealand for one hundred years in April 2021 and the clubs within the District are already planning how this milestone can be celebrated. There will be a meeting of Presidents and president Elects on 30th January (our Peridot night) to begin planning how our cluster of clubs can be involved.

I will send out a note to members highlighting some of the points made at the meeting that may be of interest to our club.

Stuart

MEETING REPORT

Our club's unique concept, the Youth Achievement Awards, proved a hit with all 62 attendees on Monday November 25.

The idea rewards an unsung hero - a year 6 student - from each of 12 local Primary schools, for their commitment and dedication to helping the school, other students and the outside community.

The award event has now been running for more than 40 years and in that time 348 well deserved awards have been handed out.

Officiating and assisting with the evening were Chairman Bill Marsh, PE Sue Ballard, DG 9810 Shia Smart, AG Geoff Logie-Smith. Organising the evening were Youth team Ray Smith, (who was also the official photographer) and Glenys Grant.

Our Speaker was Rose Hensher, who was accompanied by her father, Martin.

Rose and Thomas White were the star team that won the 9810 Model United Nations Assembly held in Parliament in May 2019.

The team then went on to win the coveted Totenhofer Peace Prize in the Canberra National finals.

Rose is also a star within her school and she is about to become Head Prefect.

She gave an excellent speech, congratulating the award winners and explaining how Rotary programs can help build self-confidence while improving leadership and learning skills.

So many contributed to making the evening such a success, including the Rotarians and partners who hosted the families and worked as a team assisting with other jobs.

Also, thanks must go to Bucatini staff, who worked under intense pressure and produced and delivered a timely and excellent meal, which was appreciated by all.

The 12 families were justifiably proud when each school citation was read out, and they heard why their child was considered worthy of the award.

The awardees were initially a little shy as they were called up to the dais but soon became more confident as their efforts were read out by their Rotarian host. All soon entered into the spirit of the evening.

They each received a voucher, a framed certificate and a laminated copy of the citation, handed out by the District dignitaries.

The twelve Youth Achiever Awardees are:

Blackburn Lake Primary Schools Luke Eaton, Burwood Heights - Ida Rose Baleisuva,

Livingstone- Natasha Ho, Mt Pleasant- Rhea Modi, Orchard Grove- Clio Vassiliades,

Parkmore - Hailey McLean - (following in her big brother's footsteps),

Rangeview- Arjan Singh, St Timothy- Fraser Davis, Vermont - Imogen Buultjens,

Vermont Sth Special - Alex Treklis, Weeden Heights- Zahir Aslam

Whitehorse - Clair Van der Jagt

Our congratulations go out to all of these wonderful youngsters.

Glenys Grant, Youth Chair.



11 happy Awardees with Rose



Shia and Geoff surrounded by smiling faces



See anyone you know?



Guest Speaker – Rose Hensher



All of the winners gathered around a very proud Alex Treklis from Vermont South Special School.

Feedback from the night.

Thank you for the wonderful awards presentation last night. Luke really enjoyed chatting to the Rotarian he was paired with- Warwick Stott- especially as Luke wants to be a vet when he gets older!! What a great match!

Kind regards Mark & Emily Eaton I just wanted to thank you and The Rotary Club of Forest Hill for a lovely evening at Bucatini last night. We are so proud that Alex was chosen to receive this awesome award. Alex has always struggled when it comes to being the centre of attention and was quite overwhelmed by the award presentation, but you all did such a wonderful job at making him feel comfortable enough to have some photos with the other recipients, and we really appreciate it. Judy was wonderful also and did a great job looking after us Kind regards, Melissa Treklis

It was our pleasure. Glad you enjoyed the night.

Bill

BAKE SALE

The bake sale will be held on December 14. Help needed!

We managed to sell about 200 packets last time, and raised over \$600. Amounts per package were in the 150 to 250 gram range, which was perfect. I will be making chocolate chip oatmeal cookies and orange poppy seed muffin bars again. I have extended the reach beyond the club membership to see if we can get some volunteer bakers to help us out, but if we can get 10 people donating 20 packages of baked goods or 20 people providing 10 each, it shouldn't be too much of a struggle.

Please let me know if you can make something, what it will be and how many you can provide. The same conditions on ingredients and labelling will apply, and if we can have everything portioned, sealed and labelled ahead of time, we should need only two on the table at any time.

Cheers,

Mike F

HOPE KATOLO OLIVE OIL

If you would like a bottle of very good olive oil, and help a fantastic project at the same time, contact Ian Teese (0427 358 987) and arrange to collect a bottle, or two. \$12 per bottle.

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES

This week has been highlighted by Merle Smith's birthday and Barbara Searle celebrating her 2nd anniversary of joining Rotary. On Friday it will be Barbara William's birthday. Congratulations to you all on these memorable milestones.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast on the 3rd December will be a morning to be enjoyed as Barb W and Mike F make a formidable team.

MARKETS

Our two markets are on split weekends in December. Whitehorse on Sunday 8th December and Blackburn on Saturday 14th December. Come along and lend a hand or just enjoy the great stalls on offer at both markets.

DUTY ROSTER

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Recorder	John Bindon	Mike Finke
Greeter	Glenys Grant	lan Teese
Emergency	Barb Williams	Ron Brooks
Cashier	Bob Williams	Sue Ballard

COMING UP

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Report
9 Dec 14 Dec	TBA Bake Sale	Stuart Williams	Stuart Williams
19 Dec 13 Jan	Christmas Meeting Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Club BBQ at Bill & Judy's home Peridot Theatre Fundraiser	John Bindon	John McPhee

ATTENDANCE

If you are not coming to the meeting or if you wish to bring a guest please contact Ray Smith by 10.00am Monday on 0412 807 585 or <u>rcssmith@optusnet.com.au</u>

Please ensure Ray is aware of any special dietary needs.

If you need to cancel after 10.00am please contact Bucatini Restaurant directly on 9873 0268.

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Meetings:	6.30pm, Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)		

ARTICLES

Articles, notices and photos for inclusion in **FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS** to <u>bjmarsh@bigpond.net.au</u> no later than 10.00am on Wednesday each week.

WEBSITE

Keep up-to-date by checking our website at www.foresthillrotary.com

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ROTARY MONTHLY THEME

This month Rotary is highlighting its work through Foundation - our "charity of choice". Has your club reached its goal of \$100 per member? Perhaps you have been able to raise the bar higher?

Check out MASH's Mínce Fruít Píes on the last page of the newsletter.

PERIDOT THEATRE

Special – Special – Special – Special – Special – Special –

On Thursday 30th January 2020 we will be hosting the preview night for the first Peridot performance for the year – the very funny "Waiting for God" (If you are old enough you will remember the hilarious British TV series.)

Tickets will be \$22 with proceeds going to our special project Hope Katolo Nursery School in Kenya.

Put the date in your diary and try to put together a group to bring along. A great show, great company and superb catering all for a great cause.

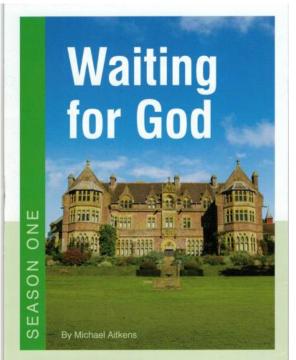
We would really appreciate the support of all of the clubs and groups we have contact with as we have 200 tickets to sell.

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https://www.trybooking.com/BGTDT

You can use either of these links when booking tickets.



Directed by Bob Bramble

At Bayview Retirement Village, battle-axe extraordinaire Diana Trent conspires with new resident Tom Ballard to give the conniving manager his comeuppance through a hilarious conspiracy with unexpectedly heart-warming results. All the favourite characters from the original TV series are reimagined for this full-length play, facing the challenges that come with growing old disgracefully in the era of the silver surfer. A glorious affirmation of the old adage that while there's life, there's hope!

Preview Night Performance Fundraiser Thursday, 30 January, 8pm All Tickets \$22 Peridot's Unicorn Theatre, Mount Waverley Info and booking at trybooking.com/BGTDT By arrangement with Origin Theatrical on behalf of Samuel French

BLACKBURN MARKET – TRADER OF THE MONTH

Dawn's Flowers

Dawn Hooton has been a regular at the Blackburn Craft Market from the very beginning. If you want her plants you have to come to our market as she sells nowhere else. Dawn lives in Forest Hill and propagates every plant herself from her own seeds or cuttings. Her love of flowers and gardening started as a young girl when her father bought her a packet of Fuchsia seeds...... it has been her hobby ever since. It's amazing looking at the large healthy specimens of evergreen perennials such as the fuchsias, ferns, and pelargoniums she sells with long flowering periods all at very reasonable prices.





SHARE THE JOY

You can show a family how much you care this Christmas.

Please donate to our Christmas appeal so we can provide families in need with essential nursery equipment and clothing at our busiest time of year.

You can donate quickly and securely online at

www.stkildamums.org



WHEN?

• Saturday 21st March 2020 commencing around 8.30 am

to

•Sunday 22nd March 2020 ending around 1.00 pm

REGISTRATION

- Try Booking online https://trybooking.com/BCVRD
- Contact Details:
- Tim Lynn
 - 9810rotaryconference@gmail.com
 - c/- PO Box 59, Box Hill VIC 3128
- Manual form available if unable to access Try Booking
- Options Paddle steamer ride plus Saturday night only

Conference Golf Day – Friday 20th March 2020

- This will be held prior to the District Conference in Moama, NSW, in March 2020
- Rich River Golf Club.
- Arrival 12.30-1 pm. (Light lunch will be provided).
- Shotgun start 2 pm. (Remember it's daylight savings.)
 Stableford
- Prizes will be announced at the conference on Saturday or Sunday subject to the timing.
- Opportunity to attend any Club dinners on the Friday evening
- Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:
 Wil Cornelissen
 wil.cornelissen358@gmail.com





CHRISTMAS FRUIT MINCE PIES



\$16 PER DOZEN \$3 from each dozen will support "End Polio Now" For orders or enquiries contact: David Winter on 0438 833 917 david_winter1954@hotmail.com