

Rotary

Club of Forest Hill



The Flyer 2017-2018



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

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4 December 2017

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Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)

Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm

Rotary Club Forest Hill

CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report
4 Dec	Club Forum	Bill Marsh	Mike Finke
11 Dec	Mindfulness <i>A/Prof Craig Hassed</i>	Ron Brooks	Bob Williams
18 Dec	Burwood Boys Home Stories <i>Kay Edwards/ Glenys Grant</i>	Warwick Stott	John McPhee

CELEBRATIONS

Birthday congratulations to Judy Laslett (9 December) and Sue Ballard (11 December).

DUTY ROSTER

	DECEMBER	JANUARY
Recorder	Glenys Grant	Bob Williams
Greeter	Sue Ballard	Glenys Grant
Emergency	John Donaghey	Barbara Searle
Cashier	Warwick Stott	Stuart Williams

ATTENDANCE

APOLOGY – IF A MEMBER IS NOT GOING TO COME TO THE MEETING or you intend

bringing a guest please contact Ray Smith by 10.00 am MONDAY on 0412 807 585 or rcssmith@optusnet.com.au

.SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS to Ray by 10am at the LATEST

Any CANCELLATION AFTER 10.00 AM *should* be made direct with the management of

Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268

BILL'S BYLINES

Bill is carrying out Grandparental duties in Adelaide but was absolutely delighted with last Monday night's meeting
Some dates for your diaries.

Monday 4th December - Club Forum and AGM

Friday 8th December – Film Night

Saturday 9th December – Blackburn Market

Sunday 10th December - WFM

Did You Know?

Sitting in a 15- minute meeting uses more energy than Usain Bolt expends over three 100 metre sprints.
(Haven't we all been in some of those meetings!)

Remember - Rotary: Making a Difference - is not just a theme it is what we do.

MEETING REPORT 27 November

The Rotary Club of Forest Hill held their annual Youth Achievement Awards at Bucatini Restaurant on November 27 for 12 children from year 6 at 12 local Primary schools.

Sargent Stuart Williams, back from his travels, opened the evening, explaining that 324 youngsters had been nominated over the years - a wonderful record for this unique award, which is affectionately known as the 'unsung heroes' award.



President Bill Marsh chaired the evening and welcomed DG Malcolm Chiverton, Karen Chiverton, Cr Denise Massoud, our Speaker for the evening Thanushi Peiris and her mother Mahesha, AG Graeme Aspinall, and all guests, 63 in total.

Awardees and their families were introduced by their table hosts, who also read out the children's inspiring citations

Awardees were:

Joshua Acs, Blackburn Lake Primary School,
Simran Bawa, Burwood Heights Primary School
Arabella Janssen, Livingstone Primary School.
Alice Roberts, Mount Pleasant Road
Karina Butler, Orchard Grove Primary School.
Lucy O'Meara, Parkmore Primary School.
Heydon Smith, Rangeview Primary School
Grace Foots, St Timothy's School.
Jessica Tabe, Vermont Primary School
Mason Leggett, Vermont South Special School.
Mary Spina, Weeden Heights Primary School.
Ella Crupi, Whitehorse Primary School.



Each youngster received a framed certificate, a citation which was read out, a gift, and their family as guests of the Club. A satchel of Rotary promotional material on major programs like RYDA, RAM, Interplast and ROMAC etc was given to parents.

Our Speaker Thanushi Peiris gave an excellent and motivational talk. She spoke of her journey and achievements over the years as a committed school member and community volunteer, culminating in 2016 being recognized through the achievement of the Queen's Guide Award, and being named the 2016 Whitehorse Young Person of the Year.

She then, in 2017, became MLC School Captain, Deakin Young Person of the Year, and was given the opportunity to participate in the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra and attend the Research Science Institute at MIT in the USA, which is a research program for high school students.

She urged the students to attain success by being consistent and committed to trying new things and to volunteer and become involved in the community.

Thanushi thanked the Rotary Club of Forest Hill for the support they have given her over the years, and urged the awardees to be aware of Rotary programs.



Ray Smith did his usual excellent job of photographing the event and the photos will be sent to families and schools and will appear on the Club website.

President Bill thanked all members and partners for their hosting and making it such a wonderful event for our 12 unsung heroes.

The raffle raised \$150.95.

Glenys

Sergeant 27 November 2017

Thirty years ago our Rotary Club decided to present –Youth Achievement Awards to children in the City of Nunawading. The award was not presented to the student who got the highest exam or subject results BUT to the student who had had the greatest impact on the school, or the one who best embodied the Rotary ideal of serving or helping others. A community is a dynamic grouping and there are takers and givers. We decided to recognise and support those who gave back to their school community.

We thank the schools who have been involved in this marvellous project.

In that 30 years, 312 children have been recognised. By the end of this evening the total will become 324. Fantastic.

Reflection for Youth Achievement Awards

Good evening young people, ladies and gentlemen. I am Stuart Williams, my title is Sergeant at Arms. My role is to control the meeting, hand out detentions and to nominate those on yard duty if they misbehave.

We start our meetings with a moment of reflection.

Rotary International is the world's premier service club consisting of 1.3 million volunteers in 220 countries and geographical areas. Rotary is an organisation whose purpose is to do good in the world.

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise. The activities and vision of Rotary gives us, ROTARIANS, ordinary men and women, the opportunity to be involved in extra-ordinary projects. Rotarians have incredible passion to make a difference. We work on local and international projects.

We are optimistic about the future. We have faith in our young people. We group our youth activities under the heading – New Generations. We encourage young people to be the best they can be, by offering encouragement, scholarships, support, learning opportunities and maybe most importantly, improved health.

We are so proud that 30 years ago Rotary decided to tackle the task of eliminating the cruel disease, polio, from the face of the earth. At my primary school there were 3 children, in leg irons to enable them to walk, crippled by polio.

Rotary has invested \$US 1.9 billion—yes billion, in this campaign. (so make sure you buy a Rotary sausage at a sausage sizzle). Only 12 cases of the Wild Polio Virus have been reported so far in 2017 – in just 2 countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan. This is down from almost 500,000 in 1987.

Young people are our future and Rotary will continue to invest in young people.

Inverloch ride for RYDA(Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)

Riders take scenic route

ONE of the most spectacular rides in Victoria was held in Inverloch on Sunday, November 12.

Hundreds of cyclists and their friends and families from all over Australia were in Inverloch for the 2017 Bass Coast Cycle Challenge

(BCCC) and family festival.

The BCCC teamed up with the Inverloch Lions Family Festival once again which had all sorts of fun activities on offer such as a bike decorating competition for kids, face painting and billy cart races.

There were four different ride distance op-

tions available on the day including a 121km, 85km, 53km and a 40 km ride.

For those who aren't cycling fans, a 10km, five km and 1.8km run took place.

The weather conditions were perfect for the scenic run and ride.



Awesome bike: Beau Kisvarda from Inverloch transformed his basic bike into a basketball themed bike for the decorated bike competition in Inverloch on Saturday afternoon.



On the road: cyclists from across the region and beyond united for the Bass Coast Cycle Challenge held in Inverloch on Sunday.



Up front: Dylan Rielly from Wonthaggi participated in the 40km Bass Coast Cycle Challenge ride and placed fourth with a time of 1.41.34 on Saturday.

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Ron is shown in the front and directly under the "C" in Club with the blue stripe top. Robbie is to his right (our left) and you can only see her face with sunglasses and white helmet directly under the "T" in Rotary. Barbara is under the "V" in Inverloch in the striped yellow lycra and white "T" shirt and Bob is under the "H" on the very right of the picture in purple sleeved lycra.

Our two other friends, Neville and Wolfgang had left earlier in the 121km ride.

By coincidence, the YAA family, the Janssens, at our table Monday night hosted by Judy and Bob Laslett, were there on the day watching us ride off.

A great day and a great cause.

I spoke to the RYDA CEO who came down from Sydney and he said that it is very well received in NSW and the Queensland Government thinks so much of the program that they have donated \$1M to Rotary Queensland to help run RYDA.

Social media and fundraising

The new Facebook page for the Blackburn Market is available here:

<https://www.facebook.com/BlackburnStationCraftMarket/>

Episode 24 of the podcast is here, it's a short one:

<https://soundcloud.com/mike-finke-167583478/episode-24>

Forest Hill College Breakfast Roster

What a pair of troopers Barb and Robbie are.

How to feel like a celebrity

Some people will have their body changed just to be like or feel like a celebrity. Others will go and stay on the same island, or in the same resort that their favourite celebrity has stayed in.

For me, my Janet Jackson moment came Monday night at the Youth Achievement Awards. I had a "wardrobe malfunction". The inside seam of my trousers decided to part ways from the crotch to almost the knee five minutes before I was to open the meeting.

But just as Janet did after "nipple-gate", I bravely carried on.

Not ideal, but I shouldn't put car keys etc into the trouser pockets. Does anyone still use a sewing machine?

Stuart

PS Stuart even had a Queensland volunteer for the repair- thanks Nancy and all the best

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

December

Disease prevention and treatment

January

Vocational Service

ARTICLES

Newsletter articles to rlaslett76@gmail.com.au by 5 pm Wednesday please.