

STU'S SCRIPT

In footy terms we are getting close to the mid-season bye or break. On Tuesday I attended my first Christmas lunch... death or putting on weight by a thousand bites. Many more to come.

I apologize that my health issues have impacted on my attendance of late. I hope committees were able to advance their programs on Monday night. I believe we can be proud of what we have achieved so far this Rotary year. The last six months will race by. We have our district conference in March and there will be training sessions for next year's leaders.

I will start radiation therapy on Monday... 37 sessions .. 5 days a week. I finish in the first week of February. I hope it does not impact on my Rotary attendance.

Looking forward to our Christmas meeting. We will have friends and partners there as well as a program that acknowledges the spirit of Christmas.

Stuart

MEETING REPORT

Bill Marsh chaired the meeting reminding members it was also the AGM.

Bill listed all the incoming events for December and January.

Events

- First Friday Film Night
- Farmers Market Sunday 8th December
- club meeting 9th December
- Blackburn Market (Blackburn Station) & Bake Sale (Vermont Bunnings) 14th December
- Christmas meeting (with partners and guests) 16th December
- Bunnings Vermont sausage sizzle 19th December
- club BBQ at Bill and Judy's 13th January
- Peridot theatre fund raiser night 30th January with supper provided by club

Bill reminded all that we need to help out at as many events as possible.

Bob L ran the AGM. Report was accepted.

Sue announced that planning for next year's committee was being developed. Still needed to be finalised but will be announced shortly.

Bill called for committee reports.

Glenys spoke on the emails of thanks she received from the parents after the YAA and that photos had been sent out.

Bob W said he had booked accommodation for the conference.

Bob W said her and Barb had done 2 regional RYDA sessions previous week and he and Sue were doing the RYDA on Tuesday at Springvale.

Barb W and Mike doing breakfast club at Forest Hill College on Tuesday as well.

Warwick called for volunteers for the farmers market.

No other reports from chairs.

After Sergeant Session and dinner. Meeting closed and members went into committee meetings.

Sergeant raised \$41.50 and the raffle raised \$57. Prizes to Bill, John & Ray.

Sue Ballard

International

Apart from the ongoing support to wider Rotary projects, the main focus at the moment is supporting Hope Katolo nursery school. The three main activities are:

- 1. An ideal Christmas present is one (or more) bottles of Hope Katolo oil from an olive grove near Cobram. \$12 per bottle.
- 2. Buying tickets for the Hope Katolo Christmas hamper raffle at \$ 5 each. The target is at least \$700 so each child and family at the school receives a Christmas hamper. All funds above that will be used to repair damage to buildings from the extreme heavy rain.
- 3. Lining up friends to join us at the Peridot Theatre preview performance of Waiting for God. The experience will be enhanced with a pre-show drink and supper afterwards. For bookings go to https://www.trybooking.com/BGTDT.

Even before the heavy rain damage, Hope Katolo had been seeking additional funds to repair and improve the nursery school facilities, particularly for staff. An additional Christmas donation would go to this major activity.

lan Teese

Youth

Discussed were:

- Youth Achievement Awards night.
- YAA Photos have gone out to all families and schools and Dignitaries
- Photos have been uploaded to the Google shared site, so are accessible to all.
- Thank you to Ray for the photography and also the table organisation.

- Sixteen lovely 'thank you's' were received for the award, the event and the photos. General consensus was that it was a great night.

- As a larger than usual number of people requested attendance and some had to be refused due to lack of space, it is suggested that an idea for a larger venue and a format for an awards night which includes a supper at the end (or beginning) could be discussed by the incoming Youth committee.

- Students interested in Conico Phillips Science Experience sponsorship could possibly be in

contact in the next week or so.

- Glenys is currently writing an article for the DG's newsletter, at the request of DG Shia Smart.

RCFH PSSC Winner Ruby from Mt Pleasant Rd Primary School, has come second in the 9810 PSSC Finals, held on November 26.

Glenys Grant

Hamper items

Please bring hamper items (see below) either next week (preferable) or the week after for needy people in our local community. Items include Soft Drink / Cordial / Coffee / Tea/Long Life Milk/Tinned Vegetables / Soup

Tinned Fruit / Jam / Spread/Tinned Ham / Tuna / Pasta Sauce

Pasta / Rice / Spaghetti /Baked Beans/Biscuits - Sweet or Savoury/ Lollies

Chocolates / Nuts / Chips/Christmas Cake / Pudding / Mince Pies

Toiletries / Toilet Paper

Bob Laslett

BAKE SALE

Bake Sale Guidelines:

The bake sale will be running from 10-2 on Saturday, 14 December.

- I will be out on 13 December, but somebody will be home from early evening to receive baked goods.
- I'll be home Wednesday and Thursday night before, and I'll be home on Saturday morning until about 9:00 am.
- I will have plastic bags to portion and package your donations with me on Monday, 9 December.
- There will be a template and labels available. Contact me if you need help printing (before Friday, please).
- Please aim for about 200 grams or so per package.
- As per last time, all ingredients must be listed.
- Nothing that requires refrigeration (cream, cheese et cetara) can be sold at the bake sale.
- Last time, slices and brownies sold very well. Cookies and muffins did as well.
- Making the packages pretty seemed to help.

Thank you for everything you're doing to help.

Mike Finke

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

To Judy Laslett as she celebrates her birthday on Monday 9th. (A bit of advance notice, Bob.)

BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast on the 10th December will be Barb W & Glenys G. This will probably be the last breakfast for the year but if needed Bob L and Barb W will handle the 17th December.

DUTY ROSTER

	DECEMBER	JANUARY
Recorder	Mike Finke	Warwick Stott
Greeter	lan Teese	Bob Laslett
Cashier	Sue Ballard	John Donaghey
Emergency	Ron Brooks	Bill Marsh
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COMING UP

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Report
6 Dec	First Friday Film Night		
	Bob Williams "Travels Out West!"	Glenys Grant	Warwick Stott
14 Dec	Bake Sale		
16 Dec	Christmas Meeting	John Bindon	John McPhee
19 Dec	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle		
13 Jan	Club BBQ at Bill & Judy's home		
30 Jan	Peridot Theatre Fundraiser		

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.

CONTACT DETAILS		
Address:	PO Box 116, Nunawading, 3131	
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Facebook:	ForestHill Rotary	
Meetings:	6.30pm, Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)	

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.

ARTICLES

Articles, notices and photos for inclusion in **FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS** to <u>bjmarsh@bjgpond.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 in Disease Prevention and Treatment.

How can your club help?

RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)

Last week on Tuesday, Bob and I volunteered at the RYDA program held in Wonthaggi. It was interesting to see how country children accepted the program. Our grandson, Joshua, was privileged to attend the program too, thanks to Catherine Smith. He found each session was beneficial to him, as he continues his learner driver training. He was particularly surprised with how many blind spots, big trucks have!

Bob and I also volunteered, along with Ian Teese, at the Leongatha program run last Friday. A beautiful venue at the Leongatha TAFE college. The children there were most receptive. Interesting again, to see how country children react to the sessions, with much participation. Bob and Sue volunteered at the RYDA sessions at Springvale vesterday.

This brings to a close, the great year we have had, volunteering at many of these RYDA programs throughout 2019, each time learning more, that we can apply to our own driving. We look forward to participating again next year.

Barbara Williams

On Tuesday 3rd Bob and Sue were the volunteers at the last RYDA session of the year. It was a small but enthusiastic group of about 93 students from a ladies college. The students eagerly joined in the activities at each of the sessions and the feedback of the day was positive by all asked. While numbers were smaller than most RYDA days this day was as effective as usual getting the message of road safety and awareness on the roads. Students were reminded to talk to parents and friends about what they had learned.

Sue Ballard

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.

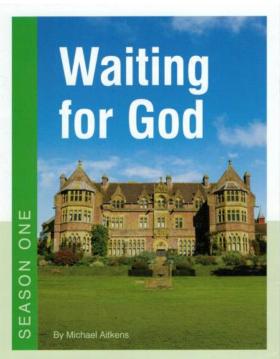
Put the date in your diary and try to put together a group to bring along. A great show, great company and superb catering all for a great cause.

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



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.









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.)
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- 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





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