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Meeting time:	Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm
Facebook:	Rotary Club Forest Hill

CLUB PROGRAM

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks and Meeting report
12 December	CLUB FORUM at McPhees		
15 December	Visit to Chris & Jenny Tuck's Cherry Orchard		
19 December	No Meeting		
9 January	Social gathering at Mike and Kira Finke's		

THIS WEEKS CELEBRATIONS



Judy Laslett's birthday this week- congratulations for 9 December.

DUTY ROSTER

	December	January
Recorder	Bill Marsh	Bob Williams
Greeter	John Donaghey	Glenys Grant

Emergency	Warwick Stott	Martine Macleod - Craig
Cashier	Bob Laslett	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

DON HULLAND

Don is in Kellock Lodge, 15 Bon Street, Alexandra 3714, and his mobile number is 0409

530 435. Please give him a call or phone the office 5770-2100 and ask for Don.

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS-LAST CHANCE TO HELP THE NEEDY!!!

It is that time of year when we distribute hampers to needy local people. Can you please bring to our next meeting suitable food items and toys? Use your imagination - possible gifts could include movie gift cards, Kmart and other shopping cards as well as many other ideas.

Bring stuff to John's on Monday

PRESIDENT JOHN'S JOTTINGS/Meeting Report

Meeting was opened by Sergeant Bob W who gave a brief reflection on his and Stu's visit to the Sandringham Yacht Club breakfast meeting at which the guest speaker was Lindsay Fox. The proceeds went to the Rotary Foundation and Bob then went on to outline some of its activities (see below). Then followed the usual toasts prior to handing the meeting to the chairperson for the evening Glenys. Glenys extended a warm welcome to all before passing over to Bob L for the Annual General Meeting. After acceptance of last year's minutes, passing of the audited accounts, the presentation of next year's administration and the confirmation of Mike Finke as President nominee for 2018-2019 the meeting authorised Bob to lodge the necessary paperwork. This was followed by the Forest Hill Rotary choristers breaking out in songs of Australianised well -known Christmas carols.

Meeting then reverted to tonight's chair and reports from the floor were received followed by the introduction to our guest speaker Jess GROSZEK and her subject "Sustainable Giving".



Jess related that whilst Australia is regarded as a civilised country, we do have forms of slavery evident in our society.

However, we do have the capacity to protect persons from slavery and abuse though. We can achieve our capacity to influence better outcomes and to raise standards to protect the disadvantaged. As an example of activity which we in Australia can take, we can select ethical suppliers/retailers. We have the ability to change the working conditions of cotton pickers in Uzbekistan, cotton spinners in TAMIL India, to the garment maker in Bangladesh through use of our purchasing power to influence the retailers. Jess after questions was thanked by the president who then went on to close the meeting but not before drawing of the raffle, and a plea from Bob W for another big strong person to assist with the completion of our Market on Saturday.

Pres John reminded members that next week the meeting will be at 5/347-351 Blackburn Road Templestowe for a club forum, and to advise attendance as usual to Ray, to assist with catering. Closing quote from a Chinese proverb

"If we do not change direction, we are likely to end up where we are headed." John

Social Media Messages

Episode twelve is up and running.

https://soundcloud.com/mike-finke-167583478/five-minute-forest-hill-episode-12

Efforts by Ron Brooks and me have been partially successful, the official RCFH Facebook page found here: <u>https://www.facebook.com/RotaryClubForestHill/</u>.

We now have three administrators who can add content, post as the club's official voice, and respond to comments. Another able social media expert would be excellent.

The email address, "<u>WhatWhitehorseNeeds@gmail.com</u>" is now live and ready for use. Please spread it around within the local area by any means necessary, including but not limited to: the business cards which have been printed, flyers, social media posts, in conversations, sandwich boards, skywriting, or yelling it through a megaphone. The hope is that the address will serve to inform or remind the community of the work RCFH does as well as providing some market research on possible areas for future projects. Cheers,

Mike F

Next Week's Info

Address Unit 5 347-351 Blackburn Road Templestowe

Parking 2 visitor spaces at the end of the drive next to me plus1 spot in front of my garage. Additional off street parking in front of Symes Smash Repair opposite our units.

In Blackburn Road be careful crossing the road-it is a 70km/hr zone.

Turn North from Doncaster Road into Blackburn Road, heading towards the Pines Shopping centre

Past George Street and Donburn Shops. Past Anderson Creek Road traffic lights to the next set of lights at King Street. If parking in Symes smash repair, keep to the right- hand lane, others to keep

left. .As our unit is close to King Street indicate turning and pump brakes to warn traffic behind.

Entrance to the units is just past a row of Pine Trees. Unit 5 is on the right-hand side.



FOREST HILL COLLEGE NEWS

A copy of the speech given by Meagan Cook (Vice Principal FHC) when she presented the Ford Davis Scholarships last Friday.

End Leap Up

At the start of the program I said that

• Achieving your VCE is the Grand Final of your schooling.

And that everything has and continues to lead up to that moment where you will undertake your final assessments and exams

Across the last two weeks the marathon has begun

you will have been exposed to:

New content knowledge and skills that will be honed over the next few years

• You will have thought about how you are going to get the best out of yourself.

Remember the expectations of you are simple:

- do your best every day in every lesson and that starts today
- Finish with no regrets I have never heard a student say I wish I had done less
- Be in a position to be proud of yourself

Don't make excuses and compromises,

Leave this school year with a plan to be one of those Successful students understand this.

- organised
- focused
- ready to work
- Ready to make sacrifices

Remember that change won't happen because you say it will, changes happens because you do something different – make sure you look at your Semester reports when they are published in December and consider the feedback you are provided. Reflect on your GPA and look to the rubrics (on our website and Compass) to identify where the gains are for you.

Congratulations on two weeks of learning.

Today I have the pleasure of presenting two new scholarships that are being awarded to year 12 students (2017). These Scholarships are being awarded in partnership with the Rotary Club of Forest Hill.

The Ford Davis Scholarship is funded by and presented in honour of Ford Davis.

Ford grew up in Footscray a few years before the great depression and knew what is was to have hard times These hard times moulded and shaped his character to that of someone that maintained wanting to succeed

- I can only imagine that meant he was organised, focused, ready and willing to do what it takes - including making sacrifices.

Ford proved to be successful in school, work and life

During his work life with Ansett industries he joined the Rotary club of Keilor and discovered an organisation that worked to help others. He knew firsthand the value that a little assistance could be.

Ford BECAME District Governor of Rotary, assuming responsibility for a number of clubs and was instrumental in forming the FOREST HILL ROTARY CLUB, a club that continues to support the community it is within.

Ford's three sons, continue his work, through the provision of an annual donation to Rotary – a donation that supports these scholarships.

In presenting these scholarships we looked to name students that exemplify the values that Ford lived and worked by. We considered those effective learning behaviours that are representative of

- hard work (use of class time)
- valuing community and others (respecting the rights of all)

- collaboration (working in teams)

We considered academic outcomes and extra- curricular participation alongside these ELB's

Today I am pleased to award the Ford Davis Scholarships of \$1,000 towards school programs and costs.

Jared Walls and Jessica Elder

(A great new initiative - many thanks to Bill Marsh)

Sergeant's reflection

Last week Stuart and I attended a breakfast at Sandringham Yacht club to benefit Rotary Foundation and as December is Rotary's Disease Prevention and Treatment month I encourage us all to learn a bit more of the wonderful work of our Foundation.

Rotary's top priority is the eradication of polio but our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. We set up health camps and training facilities in underdeveloped countries and in communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria. We also design and build the infrastructures for doctors, nurses, governments and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who can't afford to pay for health care.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people, to improving drinking water and sanitation structure.

Our club's support for the Hope Katolo School in Kenya towards their water tanks and vegetable garden means the kids not only have fresh water but can now have fresh vegetables in their diet. Our support for the school in Rumbek South Sudan has helped to build a water bore and pump which the whole Rumbek village now uses with access to clean and plentiful water instead of the women walking miles morning and night to the nearest river. Six toilets are now being constructed for the school with three for girls only which will mean that girls can continue their schooling with dignity during their menstruation cycle.

Rotary is a world leader in tackling these global challenges and we should be proud that we set an example for the rest of the world to follow.

Bob

Accommodation for Geelong District Convention

I have booked 6 rooms at Rippleside Park Motor Inn for Fri 31 March and Booking out Sunday 2 April.

Cost \$200

It could be a pleasant 2 km walk around Corio Bay to Cunningham Pier.

Currently booked in are Bob and Barb Williams, Bob and Judy Laslett, Bill and Judy Marsh, Glenys Grant, Stuart Williams, John & Margaret McPhee.

If anyone else is interested in attending , please contact me asap.

Stuart

Appreciation

A sample of one of the many letters of appreciation Glenys received after last week's meeting

Good evening Glenys,

Firstly please accept my apologies for not sending this email to you earlier. On behalf of Mitchell and ourselves (the very proud parents) please pass on our gratitude to the Forest Hill Rotary Club for hosting this fantastic award. The Youth Achievement award has made Mitchell realise that some of the hard work he has put in during his primary school years has been acknowledged by many of his school teachers. He was very proud to represent Rangeview Primary school and himself at the award night and has since spoken at school about the award to hopefully inspire other students to aim high in life and always put in 100% in everything you set out to do. The award and acknowledgement was all that was expected for the night but to have had a lovely evening meeting other families, dinner, kind hosts (Mr and Mrs Stott) and then for Mitchell to be given a voucher as well was very kind (and unexpected) of the Rotary Club. I did hear that you yourself put in a lot of time for such an evening to run smoothly and we would like to thank you for such a well run evening. It would be appreciated if you could on our behalf pass on our gratitude to all involved with the evening. Under the again many thanks for such a lovely award night.

Lisa, Michael and Mitchell Volk.

Blackburn Station Market Roster December 10th

8am to 10am we have Stuart, Ray, Bob L, John Mc, Chris and Bob W.

10am to Noon we have Stuart until 11, Glenys 10-30 to 1-30, Ray, Bill 9-30 to 11-30, John Mc Mike and Bob W,

Noon to 1-30 we have Glenys, Ray and Bob W so urgently need someone to either swap from the early shift or someone from the second shift to stay on until we finish which may be 12-30 or so if the day is as quiet as the last two months.

Please consider.

Thanks Bob W

DIARY DATES

Mon. 9 Jan. 2017	BBQ at Mike & Kira Finke's home in Vermont to open the year.
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Sat 4 Feb. 2017 Lunch at Kathy & John Donaghey's home in Ocean Grove.

Thurs. 2 Mar. 2017 Lunch at Bev & Gary Baltissen's home in Sorrento.

FOREST HILL COLLEGE BREAKFAST ROSTER

Light duties for Barb and Bob L (particularly light for him as he slept in). We round out the year with the infamous

duo. A big thankyou to all that have helped throughout the year.

13/12/2016 Bob W Kevin

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

December	Disease Prevention and Treatment
January	Vocational Service

ARTICLES

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