



FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS

No 23 President: Stuart Williams 18 December 2019

STU'S SCRIPT

A Moment of Reflection .. Christmas 2019

At this very busy time of the year thanks for making an effort to attend our Christmas meeting, our last Rotary meeting of the year.

The festivities of Christmas herald an opportunity for joy and merriment, an oasis of goodwill and peace for humankind. A pause from climate crisis, trade wars and political turmoil.

I hope that you will be able tonight, and on Christmas Day, to genuinely rejoice in the shared experience of love and connection happily participating in convivial conversation over good food. Enjoy.

Merry Christmas.

A big thank you to Mike and John Mc Phee for co-ordinating and working so hard on our Bake Sale and our Sausage sizzle. Thank you also to all who worked so hard at these venues. Thanks to Bob Williams for bringing and returning our trailer.

We back up again on Thursday at Bunnings for a sausage sizzle.

As President I get a bird's eye view of all our work. As a small club we certainly achieve a lot. Thank you all. Glenys, Bill, Ian, Bob L, Ray, Sue, Warwick and Mike certainly do more, most weeks, than the rest of us. I do want to say I am proud of all the work of the Rotarians of Forest Hill.

I truly believe we all received the most wonderful Christmas present a few months ago; having Bob Williams fit and well with us for Christmas.

A very big thank you to Barbara Williams for the attractive table decorations and to John Bindon for co-ordinating and organizing our Christmas meeting. John, you were naughty organizing gifts for everyone. Thanks.

Have a great Christmas and a fabulous New Year.

Stuart

MEETING REPORT

Our Christmas meeting was a great success – a fun night with two excellent guest speakers.

Ben and Alex, chaplains from FHC, were very interesting and further cemented the great relationship we have with the college. A number of partners, Honorary members and guests joined us for super end of the year gathering. Thanks to John Bindon for his organisation and Ian Teese for his assistance. Spencer and Morgan Finke provided a number of musical items that highlighted their skills and put Christmas in the front of our thoughts.

The Sergeant raised some \$45 and the raffle brought in \$117.

Our first meeting for 2020 will be a bbq at Bill & Judy's home on the 13th Jan.

FOREST HILL COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

On Monday 9th December Gary Davis and I attended the Forest Hill College Presentation night. A hot night for the event which was held in the gymnasium at the college. A very well-run affair with the students featuring in the running of the evening as well as being the recipients of various awards.

This year the Ford Davis Scholarships (Year 11 going into Year 12) were awarded to Lachlan Haines and Madhura Shivalkar.

The Stan Harper Scholarships (Year 8 going into Year 9) were awarded to Joel Rippon, Ryosuke Shibuya and Hayley Booth.

Congratulations to the awardees and we wish them well in the years to come.



Lachlan Haines receives his award from Principal David Rogers.



Vice Principal Chris Grant presenting the Stan Harper awards.



Madhura Shivalkar receives her award from Principal David Rogers.



Stan Harper awardees for 2019 Joel Rippon, Ryosuke Shibuya and Hayley Booth.

BAKE SALE

Thank You to everyone who contributed towards the success of the Bake Sale. We raised \$644 which will support our programs in 2020 including the Photography Competition.

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

While the newsletter is in recess for the holidays, we will have a number of celebrations within the club. We send our Best Wishes and Congratulations to all of the following members and partners:

lan & Vicky T	Wedding Anniversary	27 th December
John D	Birthday	3 rd January
Kira F	Birthday	6 th January
Kathy D	Birthday	9 th January
Bob W	Rotary Birthday	1 st January
John B	Rotary Birthday	14 th January
Bob & Judy L	Wedding Anniversary	8 th January
Bill & Judy M	Wedding Anniversary	8 th January

DUTY ROSTER

	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	
Recorder	Warwick Stott	Ron Brooks	
Greeter	Bob Laslett	John McPhee	
Cashier	John Donaghey	Chris Tuck	
Emergency	Bill Marsh	Ray Smith	
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COMING UP

Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Report
13 Jan 20 Jan 27 Jan	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Club BBQ at Bill & Judy's home Club Meeting No Meeting	John McPhee Bill Marsh Sue Ballard	Barb Williams
	Peridot Theatre Fundraiser Committee Meetings	Mike/Ron/Bill Stuart Williams	Stuart Williams

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 rcssmith@optusnet.com.au

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

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Facebook: ForestHill Rotary

Meetings: 6.30pm, Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham,

3132 (Melways 48H9)

MARKETS

There is no Blackburn Market in January. The White Horse Famers' Market is on Sunday 10th January 2020.

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

In January Rotary is highlighting its work in Vocational Service.

How can your club help? Do you have any interesting projects to share with other clubs?

Check out MASH's Mince Fruit Pies on the last page of the newsletter.



Hope Katolo after the recent flooding rains.

PERIDOT THEATRE

Special - 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.

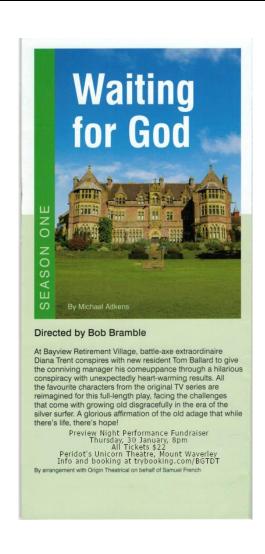
Put the date in your diary and try to put together a group to bring along. A great show, great company and superb catering all for a great cause.

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.



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?



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.)

- · Opportunity to attend any Club dinners on the Friday evening
- Wil Cornelissen wil.cornelissen358@amail.com





CHRISTMAS FRUIT MINCE PIES



\$16 PER DOZEN

\$3 from each dozen will support "End Polio Now"

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