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|  | | Weekly Newsletter  foresthillrotary@hotmail.com |  |
| Number 34 16th March 2015  Club address: PO Box 116, Nunawading 3131  **Email address: foresthillrotary@hotmail.com**  **Website:** [**www.foresthillrotary.com**](http://www.foresthillrotary.com)  Meeting location: Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132  Meeting time: Monday 6.15 for 6.30 pm  **Facebook: ForestHill Rotary** | | | |
| |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **CLUB PROGRAM** | | | | | | **Date** | **Event** | **Chair** | **Thanks/meeting report** |  | | **16th March** | **Conference Reports**  **(Committee meetings)** | **Stuart Williams** | **Bob Williams** |  | | **23rd March**  **30th March** | **Ken Sharpe, Ken Walls *ABCD***  **Jasmine Gan. *NYSF***  **Bucatini Partners meal** | **Bob Williams**  **No meeting** | **Glenys Grant**  **Ron Brooks** |  |  THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS   **13th March D9810 CONFERENCE BALLARAT**  21st March Stuart Williams Club anniversary  21st March Joan Sharman BIRTHDAY  22nd March John McPhee Club anniversary DUTY ROSTER  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  | **March** | **April** | | Cashier | Warwick Stott | Glenys Grant | | Recorder | Ray Smith | Chris Tuck | | Greeter | Bob Williams | Ron Brooks | | Emergency | Stuart Williams | Ray Smith |  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** on9878 4891 or[rcssmith@optusnet.com.au](mailto:rcssmith@optusnet.com.au%20)  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 |   NO MEETING TO REPORT SO NEWSLETTER IS SMALLER THIS WEEK | | | |

**BILL’S BLURB**

**Coming Up:**

**12 April WHITEHORSE FARMERS MARKET EGG & BACON STALL**

12 April Nunawading 50th Birthday celebration (see page 3)

17 May DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

14 Sept DG visit

**Enjoy your week in Rotary and keep working to "Light Up Rotary**

**LAST WEEK’S MEETING**

Well of course we had no meeting as it was Moomba weekend. The downside was that you missed having my company but on the positive side of the ledger, we didn’t have a Sergeant’s session, we didn’t have to congratulate Bob Laslett and Glenys Grant on winning the raffle ………… yet again!!! …………and we cheered the Aussie cricketers into the quarter final, and cheered even louder that the POMS didn’t make it through.

*Ron Brooks*

**EGG AND BACON DUTIES AT FARMERS’ MARKET SUN 12th APRIL**

The club is in need of assistance at the egg and bacon stall on Sunday 12th April, requiring five people at each of 3 shifts.

We would appreciate help from past members, friends of Rotary, and families of Rotarians, -- we already have a partner and a son-in-law helping--because in a club of our size we need more helpers than the total number of our members.

So, if you can spare an enjoyable two hour spell under the Rotary tent with the pleasant smells of cooking food, please contact Warwick on 0412444393.

The shifts are 7am to 9am, 9am to 11am, and 11am to 12.30pm

**REPORT on WHITEHORSE FARMERS’ MARKET SUN 8th MARCH**

On Sunday 8th March (2nd Sunday in the month as always), the market run by the Rotary and Rotaract clubs in the City of Whitehorse was held with an excellent number of about 65 stalls operating. Considering that it was a holiday weekend the patronage by buyers was very good, in part due to the very favourable weather. Stuart Williams, Christine Stott and Glenys Grant provided the “man”power from RC of Forest Hill, for which I am very grateful with so many members away or recovering from surgery etc.

The receipts for the market were

Stalls $4,415.00

BBQ $399.60

Donations $1,560.65

Total $6,375.25

*Notes by Warwick Stott.*

**BIKE RIDE FROM CONFERENCE**

This year, the annual fund raising bike ride for Australian Health Research is leaving from the conference rather than going to the conference because the previous weekend was a long weekend and so finding accommodation was too difficult. The overnight stays are Ararat, Horsham, Hamilton, Warrnambool, Colac and Ballarat. See you after the ride is over.

**STAMPS**

Please keep cutting out all the stamps you get on your snail mail leaving about a 1cm margin and give them to me. Carol Farmer and her team are ready to snip and sort them. They are looking for work to do.

**SPECIAL BUCATINI NIGHT ON 30th MARCH**

**We are eating “a la carte” in the main restaurant. Make sure partners know and all our honorary members and Friends of Rotary. It is still 6:15pm for 6:30pm.**

**Club members will have a short (10min?) meeting at 6:30pm while everyone else gathers in the main restaurant for a drink, chat and placing meal order. This way, when we sit down to eat, we don’t wait long for a meal.**

**It’s a great opportunity to catch up with all the gossip.**

**ROTARY CLUB OF NUNAWADING 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

Sunday April 12 at 12noon at The Karralyka Centre Mines Rd Ringwood

Cost $60 per person, drinks at bar prices

Please contact Bob Laslett before March 31 to book a place.

**FOREIGN COINS for UNICEF**

Have heard from RC of MASH and RC of Sandringham that they both have collection jars for coins at their club meeting. RC of Boronia are also collecting. Have another look at the back of those drawers and see if there are any more coins (or notes) lurking about.

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

All members have been given an area of the City of Whitehorse to obtain the names, business names and addresses with phone numbers of possible people for the next membership meeting. Please give your list of particulars of at least 10 people to Warwick by next Monday evening

# WEBSITE

Do not forget to check out our website, [www.foresthillrotary.com](http://www.foresthillrotary.com) and send Ron Brooks any information and suggestions. We had 197 visitors last month with over half going to the Blackburn Market.

**WEBINARS**

You can find Rotary webinars on the webinar page at:  
[https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/learning-reference/webinars/upcoming](http://echo4.bluehornet.com/ct/46091121:27778557647:m:1:1539467922:DD51372589336BD9C4D899283508EA00:r) These webinars are a great way to learn more from the comfort of your own armchair….bed?

**MEMBERSHIP WEBINAR**

To register for the remaining webinars in the **Membership Matters!** webinar series please visit http://www.rotary.org/webinars   
View the recording of the **Simple Steps to Innovate Your Club** webinar:   
https://vimeo.com/118740192   
View and download the **PowerPoint presentation**:   
http://slidesha.re/1yIVDYT   
Join the conversation in the **Membership Best Practices discussion group**:   
https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/exchange-ideas/groups/membership-best-practices   
View a recording of **Parts 1 and 2 in the Membership Matters!** series:   
http://vimeo.com/103365589 (Part 1)   
http://vimeo.com/108381769 (Part 2)

**REASONS FOR JOINING ROTARY**

Jenny Coburn gave me 41 reasons. Have you got others you can tell us about? I am putting in a different one every week - **think about them when you talk to prospective members**

**It’s Never Boring**: Rotarians have many and diverse opportunities to give and contribute. Clubs and Districts have amazing opportunities to make a difference, to share your skills and to learn from others. It is the University of the World.

**FRIDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES**

Last Friday was the monthly RC of Forest Hill night at the movies. We met first at the Melba Café at 5:30pm, some of us for a meal and some just for a drink and a chat. It was good to see Pat along. She is a regular at both the movies and Peridot. We all chose to have a laugh at the Second Best Marigold Hotel. It probably was “second best” compared to the first Best Marigold Hotel but still full of laughs and loads of poignant moments (we are all reaching the age when some of these situations could play out). Overall, well worth the very much reduced price of $8 we pay. Leaves enough money over for a choc top………… or something else if you have any room after the substantial Melba meal. Highly recommend you put this event down in your diary for next month.

*Report by Ron Brooks*

**CLUB OFFICERS & COMMITTEES 2014-15**

**President** Bill Marsh

**Vice President** John Donaghey

**Secretary** Ron Brooks

**Treasurer** Warwick Stott

**President Elect** Bob Williams

**Sergeant** Stuart Williams

**Foundation & International** Chris Tuck

Members: John Donaghey, Stan Harper,

**Youth Service** Glenys Grant

Members: Ray Smith, Bob Williams, Graham Sharman

**Community & Vocation** Bob Laslett

Members: Stuart Williams, Gary Baltissen, Ron Brooks

**Membership & Publicity** Doug Berwick

Members: John McPhee, Warwick Stott, Jenny Coburn

**Fellowship** John McPhee

**Primary Schools Speech Night** John McPhee

**Programme** Ray Smith & Gary Baltissen

**Bulletin Editor** Ron Brooks

**Web page & Facebook** Ron Brooks

**On to Conference** Stuart Williams

**Historian** Stan Harper

**Almoner** Graham Sharman

**Public Officer** Bill Marsh

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