

Rotary

Club of Forest Hill



The Flyer 2016-2017



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15 May 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
15 May	Club Forum	Bill Marsh	Bob Laslett
22 May	Apprentice Awards	Chris Tuck	Glenys Grant
29 May	Bucatini with partners		
5 June	YCA	Bill Marsh	Martine Macleod-Craig
12 June	No meeting- Queen's birthday		
19 June	Rotary -Get your message out <i>Jeff Steele</i>	Mike Finke	Ray Smith

CELEBRATIONS

A quiet week

DUTY ROSTER

	MAY	JUNE
Recorder	Ron Brooks	Chris Tuck
Greeter	Bob Williams	Mike Finke
Emergency	Glenys Grant	Barbara Searle
Cashier	Gary Baltissen	Bill Marsh

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.

PRESIDENT JOHN'S JOTTINGS



Where is the President? What the club gets up to when he is away!

Meeting report May 8

We had 15 in attendance with 12 members, 2 guests, Laurel and Wim and one partner, Barbara. Great to have Nancy join us before she returns to sunny Qld.

Glenys advised that Joan has had another fall so Graham as her carer may not be able to get to many more meetings.

Sergeant Bob's reflection was about our 15 main Youth programs in line with Rotary's theme of Youth Services for May and appears later in this edition.

Ron chaired and told us he has 180kgs of foreign coins from District clubs so far this Rotary year so that is \$6,700 for UNICEF. Amazing.

As Pres John was an apology (as was Warwick who was dining with a friend he has known for 77 years, since he was 2) so Pres Elect Bill told us that our wonderful benefactors, the Davis boys have agreed that part of their annual donations will now go to Hope Katolo School instead of Handbrake Turn. He spoke of the Quarterly President's meeting last Friday night and the need for someone to replace him as our Club Protection Officer and Martine immediately volunteered (so long as any meetings don't impinge on her dancing time.) Thanks Martine.

Bill spoke of 4 going to the District Assembly 21st May, 2 of those are Glenys and me and our time will mainly be taken up with Glenys on Youth as she is a Workshop presenter along with Judith Eadon and I will need to attend the President's Elect and Assistant Governor's sessions so please let Bill know as soon as possible if you can also attend at Deakin Burwood.

We were informed Friday night that as our National Health project is to be eradicating Trachoma, all used stamp proceeds Australia wide will now be directed to this cause.

Bill asked for anyone on other committees to also consider assisting Glenys and her depleted Youth Committee on individual projects as their hands on workload is very large.

Chris advised he represented us at the recent District Golf Day presenting the Ford Davis (promised) donation of \$500 to the winning club's nominated charity (when they advise him of the details). The winning team was from Chelsea with a plus 3 handicap member.

Glenys advised we had selected two candidates for the next round of interviews for NYSF. A reminder for our 5th June Youth Citizenship Awards with District Governor Elect Malcolm and Karen accepting our invitation to attend. As we are (quite rightly) considered a top club for Youth Services, District suggested that Manningham, who want to do more in this field, attend one of our meetings so that's quite a great recognition of our hard work. Whitehorse Primary will host our next Primary School Speech Contest in August.

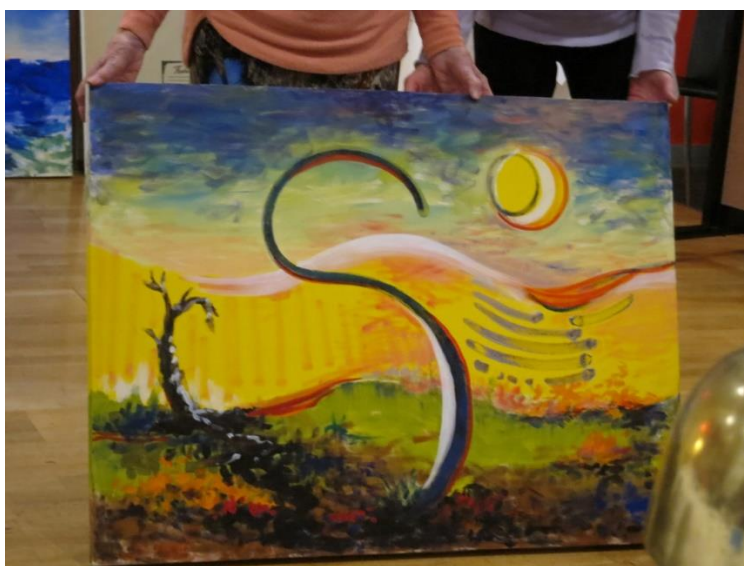
Finally (and she wanted to stand to announce this), at MUNA on the weekend one of our schools we sponsored ,Forest Hill College, won the District Governor's Award Fantastic!



Forest Hill Secondary College teacher Emily and students Jacob and Tarit representing Spain.

Sec. Bob advised selling two more Entertainment books via Box Hill High.

Mike told us that all our E Bay items have been sold so he needs more please! Sergeant raised \$29-80 and the raffle won by Laurel and Barbara raised \$48.



Barbara Searle told us about her family history originating from an Italian/Swiss background plus Devon in UK. Her folks were 18 and 19 when they married and Barbara was born in Hawthorn. We learn something at each meeting and this time Barbara told us that legend has it that the East Gippsland City of Bairnsdale derived its name from the number of children born there.

Her dad trained pilots in Tassie during the early part of the Second World War and lost his life in a training accident in 1942 when Barbara was only a toddler.

She went to Mac.Robertson Girls' High School, married at 21 and had two daughters before adopting a disabled child and eventually had 6 children with 4 in nappies at the one time. Her first husband went to England and she subsequently married Mark who had 4 children of his own. She has 21 grandkids and step grandkids. She was a volunteer guide at Healesville Sanctuary for 10 years. Mark passed away in 2013 and she took up painting which she found therapeutic. She believes the philosophy that it takes a village to raise a child.

With the help of Martine we were privileged to see some of her wonderful art work ranging from still life, fruit and figures to abstract work where her despair, rage and pain after losing Mark, were visible in her paintings, even her "bloggy ones" (technical term). They displayed a jointly painted work as Barbara's cat had bitten her right hand so as Martine is left handed they both painted as "leftys". She also showed us a lino print she did at Art school when she was 16. A very talented lady.

Barbara more than kept up the tradition of the amazing quality of presentations from our own members. Bill closed the meeting.

Bob W

Breakfast roster

Congratulations to Barb and Robbie for both Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

This week they are on again- nominations for the sterling silver award

District Assembly

Incoming President Bill would like a full attendance at this important event in the Rotary calendar.

More from MUNA



MUNA students Hayley and Edwin with Glenys Grant, Youth Director, from the sponsoring Rotary Club of Forest Hill

Blackburn Station Market Saturday 13th May

Thank you to the following volunteers who agreed to play ball:-

Ray and Bob W all day, Mike, Chris and Bob L join us on First, Bill and Barbara W then join us on Second and remain for the dash to Third (finish) and Home.

Bob W

PERIDOT THEATRE PRESENTS

The Female of the Species

by Joanna Murray-Smith

Directed by Natasha Boyd

Margot Mason, a thinly veiled version of Germaine Greer, has writer's block following publication of her groundbreaking polemic, *The Cerebral Vagina*, thirty years ago, when in through the windows of her country retreat steps one of her committed fans—with a gun. What follows is Joanna Murray-Smith's deliciously wicked comedy that deftly walks the tightrope between satire and farce.



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One Night Only Charity Preview
Thursday 8th June 8 PM
\$20 ticket includes refreshments

Funds will help support local and
international projects.
<https://www.trybooking.com/POCQ>

The Unicorn Theatre Lechte Road Mt Waverley (Melway Map 61 F11)
Bookings: 9808 0770 email tickets@peridot.com.au
www.peridot.com.au/bookings



Peridot:

The price has been reduced to \$20, there are plenty of flyers to go around, and the trybooking page has been altered to permit a record to be kept of the member who's referred the ticket-buyer and a preference for project/focus. I'll be asking for some assistance to make sure the night goes smoothly, and the catering is sufficient

I challenge each member to sell five tickets. It's not a huge number, and would guarantee at least eighty tickets sold by the club. If even a few other groups sell tickets, we'll have a decent crowd. It's not much more than a month away, so times a'wasting.

<https://www.trybooking.com/POCQ>

Mike

Sergeant Reflection 8 May 2017

May is Rotary's Youth Service Month.

I checked through the Youth Services Forest Hill offers and I doubt that any other club in our District offer as many as we do.

The main ones we support number fifteen if we include our financial support of Rotary's Polio Eradication program. As I mentioned at our meeting last week on one day, 25 March last, the program organised immunizing 116 million children under 5 throughout 13 countries in Africa and our club donations helped with this.

We assist Whitehorse Rotaract by agreeing to them being an equal partner with the 6 Whitehorse clubs when we started the Whitehorse Farmers' market 10 years ago and some of us attend their fund raisers and they are part of our cluster.

We provide not only funding but considerable club member's time and effort in the remaining thirteen programs. These are:-

Model United Nations Assembly which was on the weekend with Glenys being a major time contributor, National Youth Science Forum with us interviewing four wonderful applicants before our meeting last week. Rotary Youth Leadership and Rotary Youth Enrichment programs we again have a selection process as we do for our successful applicant for the Summer Science school program. We do a lot of work involving the entire club organising and running the Primary Schools Speech Contest and Nancy's culinary contribution of tasty treats and wonderful serving plates along with Mike's amazing choccy cookies helped make the supper last time, as successful as the contest.

Through our marvellous benefactors we have assisted for many years Box Hill TAFE apprentices plus run a great awards night and similarly with the help of the same benefactors we provide scholarships and awards night for Box Hill High students.

Our wonderful Youth chair Glenys isn't an advocate of not taking on more than you can chew, oh no she reckons you take on more and chew harder so we recently added the Youth Citizenship awards to our suite of Youth programs.

Through our association with Forest Hill Secondary College we were asked to help make breakfasts at the school each Tuesday of school term for their breakfast club and with the help of our wonderful partners we make this happen. I was interested last Tuesday when Barbara returned from making toasties, she said she was chatting to Ben the caring chaplain who runs the breakfasts who was off to China soon and of course Barbara asked why. It turns out that Ben's brother in law is a footballer called Gary Ablett and his team the Gold Coast Suns are playing a match in China so Ben and his wife are going to see the game.

Our much travelled Ron a couple of years ago started us and our District clubs collecting foreign coins for UNICEF so mainly through his urgings and efforts they have benefitted by many thousands of dollars from this exercise.

We also financially support the building of a school in Rumbek South Sudan and I provide my time on the committee and fundraising.

Finally, we financially support the wonderful Hope Katolo Nursery school in Kenya we heard about last week and this came about through one of the sisters behind the school, working at Warwick's Vet practice. Our football tipping competition and Entertainment book sales both run by Stuart have a component that goes to the school.

As I am starting to feel tired just talking about what we do at our club for Youth can you now please stand for our usual two toasts?

Bob

DIARY DATES

Sun 21 May	District Assembly
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Thu 8 June	Peridot
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ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

May	Youth Service
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June	Fellowship
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ARTICLES

Newsletter articles to rlaslett76@gmail.com by 5 pm Wednesday please. Then after that for three weeks master editor Ron Brooks will need your valued input.