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Meeting location: Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132 (Melways 48H9)

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

CLUB PROGRAM					
Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report		
21 May	Emergency Cambodia/ RC Phnom Pen Marcel Cambell/ Dr Nourn Sophat BOARD	Ray Smith	Barbara Searle		
28 May	Apprentice Awards Box Hill Institute	Ron Brooks	John McPhee		
4 June	Youth Citizenship awards	Bill Marsh	Mike Finke		
11 June	No Meeting				

CELEBRATIONS

Congratulations to Warwick and Christine Stott on their wedding anniversary (28 May)

DUTY ROSTER

Recorder	MAY Stuart Williams	JUNE Barbara Williams
Greeter	Glenys Grant	Sue Ballard
Emergency	Mike Finke	Barbara Searle
Cashier	Chris Tuck	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 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

BILL's BYLINES

This week's by-lines will be exceedingly brief so I hope there will be plenty in the rest of the newsletter to keep you amused and informed.

For the last two weeks I have been 'Rotary free' while looking after two of my grandchildren in Adelaide.

Makes you wonder how you managed your own children and worked at the same time!!

Last week's Club Forum was successful despite a number of regulars being on holidays or heading for Toronto. Members indicated that they would like to hold 2-3 similar events each year as it gives them a chance to evaluate the club's performance and highlight areas where we can improve. It also gives members a chance to catch up on what the various committees are doing.

Thanks to all who worked on the two markets over the weekend. Again it was a case of 'many hands make light work' and both markets were successful. Special thanks to those who gave up their 'Mothers' Day' morning. I hope they could all go home and celebrate after the market.

Peridot is moving forward and we now have around 90 bookings. Please keep up the good work in promoting the night. It will be fantastic if we can almost sell out the theatre. Think of the 'kick' that would give the cast for their final rehearsal. Not to mention the great supper or the thrill of giving the Hope Katolo fundraising a \$1,000 plus boost.

District Assembly will be on Sunday 20th May at Deakin University. It would be good to have as many as possible attend, particular chairs of the different committees and members who have not attended previously.

Dates for your calendar

20th May - District Assembly, Deakin University

21st May - Board Meeting

28th May - Apprentice Awards

4th June - Youth Achievement Awards 8th June - Peridot Theatre – sell tickets!! - Tree Planting at Blackburn Lake

Did You Know?

Last Week:

What is the only number in English that has its letters in alphabetical order?

Answer: Forty (Congratulations if you got it right.)

This Week:

An estimated 150,000 people die in the United Kingdom each year because only 7% of Britons know how to give first aid. (Have you kept your first aid up-to-date?)

Remember - Rotary: Making a Difference - is not just a theme it is what we do.

Meeting report 14 May

A smaller number of members than usual attended a Forum meeting chaired by President -elect Mike.

The sergeant opened the meeting with light hearted referral to the Roman Forum.

Ray reported that the Blackburn Market raised \$ 453 including \$20 from Mike's

credit card system and a donation of change from Norm Durham.

Warwick has some eggs left over from the Farmers market.

Mike reported some of the preliminary research into a possible Schools' photography competition.

The frequency of the holding of Forum nights was discussed with the opinion leaning towards two or three.

It is thought the time spent preparing used stamps was not very profitable.

Because the next District Conference is being held in the city it was expressed it could be a good idea to invite delegates from a country Club to the Club's night dinner.

The sergeant raised \$17 and the raffle \$32 (Last week's figures were \$27.70 and \$47 respectively- ed). Raffle winners were Sue and Mike.

Ray Smith

Sergeant's Reflection 14 May

A moment of reflection.

In Julius Caesar's time, the forum was where the people of Rome could gather for commercial, political, judicial and religious pursuits. Local people and even young nobles, like Mike, were expected to speak to the assembled people. At one stage, TRIBUNE TIBERIUS GRACCHUS was lynched there by a group of senators. Marc Antony gave his funeral oration for Caesar.

Some of the events that took place were:

Criminal trials, elections, public speeches, gladiator matches and social gatherings.

On March 14, in the year 44BC, Julius Caesar was stabbed 23 times, by a mob of Mutinous senators. They were led by GAIUS Cassius LONGINUS and MARCUS JUNIUS BRUTUS.

Tonight we participate in our forum. Can Ivan and I plead that there be no gladiator matches or lynchings; that you place all knives on the table and make no quotes in Latin or Greek.

The sergeant called his fines session - A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum. We endured some painful cuts—I mean jokes.

I saw a hairdresser named—Julius Scissor

A Roman walks into a bar. "I'll have a martinus" said the Roman. "Don't you mean a martini?" asked the bartender. "No, if I wanted a double I would've said so."

RS once asked-Who can tell me where Hadrian's Wall is? LJ said. I expect it's around Hadrian's garden, sir. BL asked: What's a forum? Pupil replied—Two-um plus Two-um.

BS couldn't be fooled. Teacher asked—Who succeeded the first Emperor of Rome? "The second one."

JM asked his grand-daughter: When was Rome built? Daughter- At night. JM Why did you say that? "Because my dad always says Rome wasn't built in a day."

CT was asked. What was the greatest accomplishment of the early Romans? CT Speaking Latin.

First Roman Soldier - What is the time? Second Roman Soldier: XX past VII

MF asked his son: Why aren't you doing very well in history? Son: Because the teacher keeps asking about things that happened before I was born.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY

District Governor Malcolm Chiverton and District Governor-Elect Russell Gurney invite all Rotarians and Rotaractors to our 2018 District Assembly on **Sunday 20 May** at 9.00am at the Burwood Campus of Deakin University, 221 Burwood Highway, Burwood 3125.

- DGE Russell will outline Rotary International and District 9810 directions for the new Rotary year.
- District Officers and Committee Chairs will outline strategies, plans, and activities for 2018-19 in engaging and interactive sessions.
- Key Club Officer workshop sessions will provide the latest tips and techniques.
- An informative new (er) members session is being offered.
- Aspecial combined session for Presidents-Nominee and Presidents-Elect will be held.

There will be something for everyone. **Be the Inspiration** in your Club and Community in the coming year and reinforce to the world that we are **People of Action**.

We welcome all attendees to RSVP via the Club Registration form by **no later** than Friday 27 April to:

Carol Lawton
District 9810 Learning and Development
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2018-19 Committees

Youth	Foundation & International	Community & Vocational	Membership
Glenys Grant	Stuart Williams	Suzanne Ballard	Warwick Stott
Bob Laslett	Mike Finke	John McPhee	Ron Brooks
Barb Williams	Bob Williams	Ray Smith	Mike Finke
		Chris Tuck	Bill Marsh
		Barbara Searle	

Fundraising

Mike Finke Warwick Stott Ron Brooks

Note: Additional assistance is required with the various Youth Programs. Members who can offer assistance should contact Glenys to determine how they can help.

FARMERS' MARKET REPORT



Last Sunday RCFH manned the egg and bacon stall at the market, and although the attendance appeared to be a little quieter than normal, the funds raised were excellent. I would like to thank all those who got out of a warm bed at about 6am to help set up the stall, and everyone else who cooked, served or collected money on the day. Once again we had club members, their partners, daughters, sons-in-law, but I did have to put a ban on one unofficial honorary member, viz., Lucy Ballard, who we felt may have eaten too much of the food if she had been allowed to "help". For those who don't know Lucy, she walks on four legs. The financial results were:

 Stallholders
 \$3,625.00

 Donations
 1,356.85

 Egg & Bacon
 514.50

Total \$5,496.35

Warwick Stott

EGGS FOR SALE at Bucatini Monday 21st May 6.30pm

\$3 per dozen, and please bring your own carton (plus a spare for people who forget)

Footy Tipping

This season is again challenging for tipsters. BUT.. we are having fun.

After last round, no change at the top. St Warwick has been joined by Catman in second place on 50 winners. Don't forget you can tip week's ahead. Demon Bob has tipped 6 weeks in advance. He is hoping "no recent knowledge" will assist.

Good luck this week. Please bring along hankies for Chris and Bill, as The Bombers spiral out of control. Stu

FOREST HILL COLLEGE BREAKFAST

Barb W and Chris did pancakes this week. I am delighted to say the roster has been completed -a big thank you to John McPhee and Judy Marsh. Next week it is Glenys and John who man the barricades

ANNUAL REPORT

Committee chairs are kindly asked to have their reports to me by the end of May.

ROTARY MONTHLY THEMES

May Youth June Fellowships

ARTICLES

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