



# The Flyer 2017-2018



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

CLUB PROGRAM					
Date	Event	Chair	Thanks & Meeting Report		
28 May	Apprentice Awards Box Hill Institute	Ron Brooks	John McPhee		
4 June	Youth Citizenship awards	Bill Marsh	Mike Finke		
11 June	No Meeting				
18 June	ROMAC	Sue Ballard	Glenys Grant		
	Graeme Chester				

# **CELEBRATIONS**

A quiet week

## **DUTY ROSTER**

Recorder	MAY Stuart Williams	<b>JUNE</b> 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**

Our guest speaker this week was Marcel Campbell, a primary health care nurse who has now had 18 trips to Cambodia to try and help those in need, of which there are millions. There will be more about Marcel's work in the meeting report.

It was great to be able to welcome back, even if only as a guest, Raeoni Turner who accompanied our two 'Pride of Workmanship' award winners from Nadrasca, Sandra Minogue and Loretta Taylor.

Thanks to some terrific support from RC Nunawading, RC Boronia & RC Mitcham as well as many others across the district we have now exceeded our target of 100 tickets and with a bit more hard work we may reach 150. A terrific result for the Peridot cast and for Hope Katolo Nursery School in Kenya, the target of this fundraising event. Special thanks to Nunawading and Mitcham who have both donated their \$5 per ticket refund to the Hope Katolo fund – an extra \$200 towards the total. A much appreciated gesture of support. I hope that all of our members, partners and anyone else who would like to help are dusting off their recipes as we need to prepare a supper for over 100 people.

Next week we will be holding our Apprentice Awards night. Three apprentices from different fields training at Box Hill Institute will be recognized for their outstanding effort with tool kits valued at \$1,750 each to help them achieve their goals.

We are fast approaching Changeover and the chairs of various committees and programs within the club are busy preparing reports for the Annual Report. This is a great time of the year as we pull together all that we have achieved and celebrate another great year in the life of our club. And then it is back to work as Mike leads us into the new Rotary year.

Our Film Night will be held on the 1<sup>st</sup> June and I hope that as many as possible can attend. As usual we will be meeting for dinner before the films. More details next week.

Only two of our members managed to attend District Assembly this year. Well down on previous years but unavoidable with so many away or not up to attending. From the reports one of the trends that is becoming evident is a move towards more bureaucracy, regulation and responsibility. A fact of life in today's world. I hope it doesn't lead to a decline in numbers within Rotary.

## Dates for your calendar

28<sup>th</sup> May - Apprentice Awards

1<sup>st</sup> June - Film Night

4<sup>th</sup> June - Youth Citizenship Awards 8<sup>th</sup> June - Peridot Theatre – sell tickets!! 18<sup>th</sup> June - Combined Board Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> June - Tree Planting at Blackburn Lake

16<sup>th</sup> July - Official Changeover Dinner

#### Did You Know?

The composer Arnold Schoenberg was superstitious about the number 13. As 7 + 6 = 13 he feared he would die when aged 76. And he did: on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 13 minutes to midnight.

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

# **Meeting report 21 May**

Sergeant Stuart opened the meeting with a brief reflection in which he linked the Pride of Workmanship awards to the Vocational Avenue of Service in Rotary. A message to us all but particularly to our two guests Sandra &

Chairman Ray welcomed 12 members and 7 guests to the meeting and opened with the question, "What country is this?" and then proceeded giving a list of clues (to the clueless?). Eventually arriving at Cambodia, the country our guest speaker was highlighting. (We were a tad slow on the uptake I'm afraid.)

President Bill mentioned:

The fantastic support we have had from local Rotary clubs for our Peridot Theatre night.

The upcoming Film Night on 1st June.

Board Meeting tonight.

A number of calendar dates

Chairman Ray then took reports from committee chairs, programs, fellowship and members.

John McPhee gave a run down on the Pride of Workmanship Awards and introduced this year's winners Sandra

Sergeant Stuart ran his usual interesting fines session and raised \$39.60 for Foundation.



Marcel Campbell was introduced and she spoke about her work in Cambodia. She has now been involved in 18 trips to Cambodia and has established a not for profit trust The Silk Sisters to help raise money for her work. The poverty that Marcel highlighted and the need for medical assistance, along with every other form of assistance you can imagine, was staggering. Even more so as we sat quietly eating our meal in warm, safe and comfortable surroundings, surrounded by friends and knowing that our lives were stable. All things that simply don't exist for so many Cambodians.

Much of Marcel's work is done through the RC Phnom Pen, of which she is a member, and is centred around the Prey Kabas Referral Hospital operated by Dr Nourn Sophat.

Colin Read from the RC Nunawading is hoping to get District support for Marcel's work.

Following Marcel's address the raffle was drawn and Ray Smith, John Donaghey and Chris Tuck went home with the prizes. The raffle raised \$79.

President Bill reminded members about the Apprentice Awards next week, thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting.

# Sergeant's Reflection 21 May

Please join me in a moment of reflection.

When Rotary was set up it nominated 4 Avenues of SERVICE. Vocational Service was one avenue. Rotary desired and valued all types of work. The early Rotary clubs had only ONE member from each profession. For a number of years our club has presented Pride of Workmanship Awards. It has been our pleasure and delight to acknowledge people from a wide range of vocations and work. A violin maker, a waitress, a hairdresser, a panel beater, and a motor mechanic. Good work is good work, wherever it is. There is a kind of victory in good work, no matter how humble. Most people who take pride in their work are passionate about their work.

Health professionals often say happiness lies in good and productive labour. Are we successful at work? Success might simply be the joy of working. Doing good work, and then bringing that joy home to your family. In today's work world, the reward for work well done is the opportunity to do more. The worst mistake a boss can make is not to say, "Well done."

mistake a boss can make is not to say, "Well done." Should I be cruel and quote George W. Bush. "To those of you who received awards, I say well done. And to the C students, I say, you too, can be President of the United States."

Oh, never so true at the present time.

The fines session unearthed these gems--and a groan from Raeoni Turner.

- \* At times I love the larrikin aspect of the Australian character. A newspaper letter -- What sort of idiot organizes a wedding that clashes with a Collingwood game?
- \* A paper-cut, A tree's one glorious moment of revenge
- \* Claustrophobic people are more productive thinking out of the box.
- \* I'm great at multi-tasking. I can waste time, be unproductive and procrastinate all at once.
- \* I get plenty of exercise jumping to conclusions, pushing my luck and dodging deadlines.
- \* When it comes to work, change is inevitable, except from the vending machine.
- \* My grandson was like- I got a D in my maths and I was like "That's really bad". and my ex-wife was like
- "you need to stop doing his homework."

\* Retirement is wonderful. It's doing nothing without worrying about getting caught at it. Stu

## 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.

#### **FOREST HILL COLLEGE BREAKFAST**

This week it is Glenys and Robbie who front up to customers with Robbie and Judy M to follow on the next Tuesday

## **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 <a href="red:richestoria">rlaslett76@gmail.com.au</a> by 5 pm Wednesday please. After next week please forward your prize-winning articles to <a href="red:ronbrooks1942@gmail.com">ronbrooks1942@gmail.com</a>. A big thankyou to Ron. He should be thoroughly refreshed after valuable time spent with his granddaughter.