



FOREST HILL HAPPENINGS

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

My reflection this week is remembering the impact WW2 had in Australia and in our region. Such a devastating world event has had lasting effects all around us and not just the physical impact. I have travelled to our Pacific and Asian neighbours and have seen how the emotional effect has inspired more compassion and action in the region. Partnerships with neighbours to achieve remarkable targets shows what we can achieve. Whether it is polio, malaria, eye care or health packs we have made, and will continue to make, a difference. People will look to us to lead the way in community service and giving confidence in the future.

Sue

LIVE IN THE PRESENT, PLAN FOR THE FUTURE BUT DON'T FORGET THE PAST

Although we are doing it tough during lock-down we are still a very fortunate society and a fortunate generation. A friend I met in New York, who had done lots of work for the United Nations, commented on the extended family photos I had in my book. Liron, an Israeli, said. "It is amazing you have all those photos. My grand-parents had almost nothing with them, after the holocaust. (her mother's side). Her father's side were immigrants from Iraq- they also had no photos.

I hope this generation's young people will print some photos, or they might move into a future where technological changes, USB's getting lost, and hard drives crashing mean photos just disappear.

Photos are treasures.

Stuart

GUEST SPEAKER

Our Guest Speaker on Monday was Peter Malden from RC Boronia. Peter spoke passionately about the "rotaryeyesfiji" project that Boronia has been involved in for some 13 years.

Thousands of Fijians can see and participate in village life as a result of the simple cataract operation(s) the team arranges. Without their intervention these Fijians, from the most remote villages in the islands, are condemned to isolation and being cared for by family and friends in a world of semi darkness. A project that really does make a difference.

Read more about the project on <https://rotaryeyesfiji.com>

CELEBRATIONS

John & Kathy Donaghey celebrate their Wedding Anniversary on the 24th. Give them a call, send them a text or an email as they hibernate down in Ocean Grove.

Judy Marsh celebrates her birthday on the 26th. You are all invited to the party. Well, you would have been except.....



**August is Rotary Membership month.
Have you found a new member?**

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be via Zoom (7.00pm) on August 24th when Kelly Donnelly will speak to us about Eating for a Healthy Heart.

A link to join the meeting has been sent out today.

Contact me if you have any problems.

Join RCFH Guest Speaker Zoom Meeting – 7.00pm.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7023517430?pwd=MUwyREFUWUcwS0dXVEh1dURSK3c4QT09>

COMING UP

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| 24 th August | Kelly Donnelly | - Eating for a Healthy Heart |
| | Board Meeting | |
| 31 st August | Konrad Ermert | - Aphasia
(Today is the start of National Stroke Week) |
| 7 th September | Martin Forrest | - End Hepatitis Now |
| 14 th September | DG's Visit & Club Birthday | |

MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR – D9705 MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

A couple of weeks ago, Kero O'Shea, who is the Charter President of the Rotary E Club of Perth (and others speakers) gave a very interesting talk on "Renovating your Rotary Club". Now is the time because of necessity of the use of Zoom etc. to provide an opportunity to modernize the club, including getting in members who would otherwise not consider being involved, and here are a few thoughts:

- a) Consider a multi-channel club, a hybrid which separates fun from business. It is lower on cost (than currently) because there are, say, 2 official dinners, and the other weeks there are two less formal dinner-less meetings
- b) The above recognizes diversity of knowledge
- c) It helps millennials understand what the club can offer them
- d) It allows for the possibility of building three year young adult traineeship around youth programs
- e) It develops real Rotary jobs.

So what to do:

- a) Work out why your club exists
- b) Do a health check and make your club attractive
- c) A Rotary club is just a set of relationships – how good are they?
- d) Fix your relationships. How good are they?
- e) Who should you be aiming to recruit?
- f) Run a Yass membership night. Timing is important as it should be just before a big event that we can get the prospective members to be involved with.
- g) Have a look at Membership Voice on the internet – well worth having a good read of this

Doug Kinleyside who is the District Governor in the Bathurst area – I hope I am entirely correct – talked about passport clubs, where a member might belong to one club but has an interest in a project of another club so will help regularly with that project

Warwick

ANNUAL CLUB MEMBERSHIP FEES

We still have a couple of these!

If you haven't paid your dues slide into it today.



Invoices have been sent out for this year's fees.

Contact me if you haven't received your invoice yet.

Payment to be made to:

RCFH General Account.

Bendigo Bank

BSB 633 000

A/c No. 1418 41288

Warwick Stott

HOPE KATOLO NURSERY SCHOOL

On Saturday, Leanne and I had the pleasure of interviewing Georgina, the head teacher of Hope Katolo Nursery School. We asked Georgina about the COVID19 situation in Kenya and how it is impacting the nursery school. Also, how the generosity of all of the wonderful supporters of the nursery school is making such a big difference to her life and the lives of the children and staff at the school.

Melanie

It is an easy 15 minute watch and listen and can be found here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1R0ALypCcuCkp5o01-CmNqgaBaDF80HC0/view?usp=sharing>



Georgina's House – a progress report!!

WHAT IS LOVE?

Love is what makes you smile when you are tired. (*Terri Age 4*)

Love is what's in the room with you at Christmas if you stop opening presents and just listen. (*Bobby Age 7*)

If you want to learn to love better, you should start with a friend you hate. (*Nikka Age 6*)

Love is when your puppy licks your face even after you left him alone all day. (*Mary Ann Age 4*)

KEEP SMILING

FUNDRAISER

Dear All (To start with)

Our fund raising has been curtailed by the virus.

Our expenses have been reduced by the virus.

There has been an increase in home violence particularly towards women and children by the virus.

The "Where will it be played?" **GRAND FINAL SWEEP** is one way to kill those three birds with one stone. See the attached flyer.

All are welcome to try their luck – members, honorary members, members of other clubs, non-members.

Ron Brooks

Dear All (To follow on

I am looking forward to getting lots more entries from you so we can give a decent donation to the Women's Refuge in the City of Whitehorse who are quite desperate for funds especially during this lockdown. Anybody who has any problem with paying into the Rotary Club Fund Raising account (perhaps because they don't do electronic banking) please give me a ring so we can sort out another payment method for you.

Thanks to those who have paid already (mostly I notice two entries per member). We are saving so much with no weekly Bucatini meal and no weekly raffle cost or being "squeezed" by our friendly sergeant. Two SWEEP entries are less than you pay each week AND you get a 1 in 20 chance of winning 5 times your money back..... it's a no brainer. A third of the entries are from outside our club, I notice.

Regards

Ron

GRAND FINAL SWEEP



The  burning 

question 

**Where will the Grand Final
be held?**



Darwin? Wellington? Hobart? Gold Coast? Perth? ??????

Entry: \$10

Winner(s): 25% of the pot



All punters will get one of 20 grounds
chosen at random by an Excel
algorithm.

75% will be donated to a
Women's Refuge

in the

City of Whitehorse.

Send your money to

Rotary Club of Forest Hill Fundraising

BSB 633 000, a/c no. 1418 41338 Surname with initial as
reference

IMPORTANT: Email payment confirmation to
ronbrooks1942@gmail.com

AFL Grand Final
Sweep

1. MCG
2. Perth
3. Adelaide
4. Sydney
5. Gold Coast
6. Brisbane
7. Geelong
8. Canberra
9. Wangaratta
10. Freemantle
11. Darwin
12. Nowhere
13. Alice Springs
14. Launceston
15. Hobart
16. Ballarat
17. Shanghai
18. Wellington
19. London
20. Cairns



BLACKBURN MARKET – TRADER OF THE MONTH

The Hazelnut Tree is a small business based here in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne producing handmade soaps and body products. Hazel has been a regular with us at the Blackburn Craft Market for eight years and her products can also be purchased from the “Market Fair” 2/794 Burwood Hwy, Ferntree Gully. She lives just around the corner. At busy times she ropes in her children and husband to help on the stall making it a family affair.

As you can see from the photographs, there is a beautiful unique range of soaps poured and cut by hand. She makes her soaps using the traditional cold process method from olive oil, castor oil, coconut oil, avocado oil and hemp seed oil – no palm oil here. Hazel then uses natural colours, plant extracts and essential oils. The range also includes liquid soaps, shampoo bars, moisturisers, lip balms and more. She has an unscented range for people with sensitivities.

Hazel will be happy to talk to you about any of her products as she personally makes them. Come along to the Blackburn Craft market or email her. To make things simple, you can pay by EFTPOS.

Hazel can be contacted by email on hazel@thehazelnuttree.net and take a look at her website www.thehazelnuttree.net

