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|  | 2013-2014Weekly Bulletin of theRotary Club of Forest Hill |  |
| Edition 14: 30 Sep 2013The Rotary Club of Forest Hill meets at 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm on Mondays at Bucatini Restaurant, 454 Whitehorse Road, Mitcham, 3132.Meal cost $28.00PO Box 116, Nunawading 3131**Email**  **tuck@netspace.net.au** **Website foresthillrotary.com** |

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| CLUB PROGRAM |
| **Date** | **Event** | **Chair** | **Thanker and Meeting Report** |  |
| **30 Sep** | **Bucatini Partner’s Night** |  |  |  |
| **5 Oct** | **Dan Flyn Vic. Director ACL** | **Graham Sharman** | **Ray Smith** |  |
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THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONOct 5 Garry Baltissen Wedding Anniversary Partner Bev   DUTY ROSTER

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|  | **September** | **October** |
| Cashier  | Chris Tuck | Bob Williams |
| Recorder | Garry Baltissen | Doug Berwick |
| Greeter | John Donaghey | Glenys Grant |
| Emergency  | Doug Berwick | Ron Brooks |

ATTENDANCE

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| Apologies - **Please contact Ray Smith by** **10.00 am MONDAY** on9878 4891 orrcssmith@optusnet.com.au  Any cancellation after 10.00 am should be made direct with the management of Bucatini Restaurant on 9873 0268 |

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**Chris’s Corner**

I draw your attention to two dates for all Rotarians, Partners and Honorary Rotarians.

1. **Next Monday Night** is our night at Bucatini Restaurant commencing at 6.30pm in the main restaurant, all welcome. This is a social evening.
2. I am organizing tickets for the **Peridot Theatre for Friday Night Nov. 15 2013.** The play is Easy Virtue by Noel Coward. Please let me know by October 7 2013 if you would like to attend this play.

Last Friday I attended the Whitehorse Primary School to present the third prize certificate to Alanna Baxter for the Primary Schools Speech Contest. I was impressed by the Principal’s presentation thanking Rotary for organizing the event and indicating they will participate again next year.

We have been advised by DG Merv Ericson that Esther Murray has resigned as our AG due to ill health in her family. Our new AG is Jeff Steele from RC Glen Waverley who was AG for Yarra Ranges in 2012-13.

It was a pleasure to welcome Wayne Lucas, President RC Mitcham to our meeting this week.

Wayne drew our attention to their Cup Day Carnival at Redbox Vineyard and Winery at Kangaroo Ground, BBQ and free wine tasting for $20 each (children free).

Dates;

* Whitehorse Farmers Market Egg & Bacon Stall –Oct 13
* Whitehorse Spring Festival - 20 October
* Joint meeting RC Mitcham – 29 October (now confirmed)
* Whitehorse Farmers Market Egg & Bacon Stall –Apr 13 2014

**Committee Structure 2013-14**

**Foundation & International Chair Stuart Williams**

Members Graham Sharman, Ron Brooks (support on request)

**New Generations Chair Glenys Grant**

Members John McPhee, Warwick Stott, John Donaghey

**Community & Vocation Chair Ray Smith**

Members Bob Williams, Bob Laslett, Garry Baltissen

**Membership/PR/Marketing Chair Doug Berwick**

Members Bill Marsh, Stan Harper and Chris Tuck (support on request)

**Fellowship Chair Ron Brooks**

Member Chris Tuck

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**Whitehorse Farmers Market Sunday October 13 2013**

**Egg and Bacon Stall**

RC Forest Hill is to conduct the Egg and Bacon Stall at this Farmers Market (Oct.13).

We require many volunteers for this event.

Please see Warwick Stott to assist with this stall.

# Last Week’s Meeting

Our special guest for the evening was Neil Angus, our local Liberal Member in State Parliament.

This was Neil’s second visit to the Club the first being May 2010.

Before entering Parliament Neil was a Chartered Accountant for 27 years.

Neil is married with 4 children and has a long history of involvement in community affairs, in particular 15 years on a school board.

In his presentation Neil gave us an insight into what is actually involved in being a Parliamentarian such as long hours of work, office location and conditions considering the need to reach the chamber within 3 minutes once the bells have been rung for a vote.

Being a Parliamentarian also involves being a member of various groups which for Neil means The Public Accounts Estimates Committee and The Board of Vic. Health.

Neil also explained to us that most of the legislation goes through Parliament efficiently and with bipartisan support.

Also where required the legislative process can be quite rapid as in the case of The Dangerous Dogs Legislation which was introduced and approved within 48 hours.

Neil was a great support for NADRASCA in gaining a 10 year lease for its farm.

Thank you Neil for a great ‘behind the badge presentation’.

The Sergeant Stan raised $27.40 for Foundation.

 Chris Tuck

**Support Robbie Brooks**

Royal Flying Doctor Service 95km Rowing Marathon

Sat 5th October 2013

Robbie is training hard to take part in the annual rowing marathon on the Darling River. It is a 95km row in four stages over the day. Generally, rowers do two of the four stages ie 45-50kms of rowing in the day (takes 7-12hrs of actual rowing!). She coxes the two stages she does not row. This is a high profile event with boats and crews coming from all over Australia using single sculls, doubles, fours, quad sculls, and eights. Robbie rows in a quad scull (4 rowers with 2 oars each). The SES provide an accompanying aluminium “tinnie” for the safety of all.

This is her 10th annual event. She is asking if you would like to support her fund raising. All donations over $2 are tax deductable. Pres Chris has offered to take any donations on her behalf.

**Conference**

**Bob Laslett advises the conference website** [**http://2014conference.9810rotary.org.au/**](http://2014conference.9810rotary.org.au/) **is open. Registrations for Bendigo can be lodged online. Judy and Bob are going to check out accommodation in a few weeks and will keep you posted – your credit card will be needed to secure your own booking this year as last year the motels lost out. Gold is in the air again – seems to have heard that before somewhere.**

**Bob advises Members to now register online.**

**Fellowship Events**

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| **Bucatini Partners Night Sep 30.****Peridot Theatre Nov. 15. (date finalized).****Thought For The Week****The Alphabet of Success –Letter L****Live well, and you’ll live long.** **Francis G. Monks****From The Back Paddock.**ABARE predicts a 1% decline in Australia’s cattle numbers in 2013-14 to 27.8 million head.IMPORTANT UPCOMING DISTRICT EVENTSMar 20-23 2014 District Conference BendigoPlease have FOREST HILL FLYER articles to the Editor at tuck@netspace.net.au by **5 pm Wednesday**(in Microsoft Word format please).Also if you do not wish to receive this flyer in the future please contact the Editor tuck@netspace.net.au   |
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