



## **District Governor invites every Rotarian in the District to the District Conference**

Hi Everyone,

I invite every Rotarian in the District to our upcoming District Conference. When you read the program below, you will see we have attracted some of the best and most iconic speakers in the country and internationally. Please review the attached outline and I ask you to please promote it within your Clubs now!

Tickets are selling well but with less than four weeks to go, it is important that you purchase your tickets as soon as you can. We will have to identify a cut-off date soon, so that our venue can lock in the numbers for the event.

The Conference will be held at the Bankstown Sports Club from Friday 15th March to Sunday 17 March 2019.

The best way to do to book is either:

Go to the District 9675 Website and follow the links to District Conference and BOOK!  
Go to the TryBooking website and type in Rotary District 9675 Conference and BOOK!

The conference is going to be a great milestone for our current Rotary year; the theme for our conference is Inspire / Connect / Transform, and I can't wait to connect with you, share the inspiration and transform a three-day event into a very memorable experience for all.

I encourage you to participate in the training forums which will be held on the Friday afternoon. Whether you have been in Rotary for 40 years or 40 days, these forums will enable you to increase your understanding of our global organisation, as well as share our experiences.

We will have two streams running, each with three sessions. You are welcome to choose any of the sessions you would like to attend. The sessions are:

## **Friday 15 March**

### **Room 1**

1.00 pm to 1.45 pm - Start them early and start them right – Getting new members involved in projects.

2.00 pm to 2.45 pm – What is it that your community needs? Community Projects – Sharing the what, why and how.

3.00 pm to 3.45 pm -What is this thing called Facewit? – Using Social Media.

### **Room 2**

1.00 pm to 1.45 pm – Know their Personality and They Know Yours – People Management.

2.00 pm to 2.45 pm – Show me yours and I'll show you mine – Sharing projects with other clubs.

3.00 pm to 3.45 pm – WIIFM – The secrets of fundraising.

The conference programme across Saturday and Sunday is packed with some of the best presenters we could find, including:

- Nick Farr-Jones (well-known former Captain of the Wallabies),
- Louise Hope (Lindt Café Survivor),
- Louise Savage OAM (famous Australian Paralympian),
- Deb Wallace APM (Superintendent NSW Police, Commander Criminal Groups and Strike Force Raptor),
- Dr Siva (A highly recognised Rotarian and leading businessman in Malaysia, well known for his inspirational presentations on what Rotary can do to create a better world),
- Anthony Sork (a leader in the field of behaviour driving culture, engagement, attachment, retention and performance),
- Annabelle Chauncey from the School of Life (a dynamic leader and entrepreneur who started an NGO at the age of 21, with operations in Uganda and Australia),
- Michael McQueen (he has helped some of the world's best brands navigate change and stay ahead of the curve) and many more.

Please see the program below for more details.

I'm very excited about the Gala Ball on Saturday evening, where we can let our hair down, enjoy the fellowship and dance the night away. Why not book into the Travelodge which is on site, or other nearby accommodation and have a really enjoyable night with a lazy breakfast before heading down to the Sunday session?

I ask you to please encourage as many members of your Club to come along. If we had 10 members of every club attend, we would have over 600 Rotarians in attendance; wouldn't that be something!!

See you at the Bankstown Sports Club, 8 Greenfield Parade, Bankstown from 2.00 pm Friday 15th March to midday Sunday 17th March 2019.

Yours in Rotary,  
Sue Hayward  
District Governor  
District 9675

### Friday 15 March 2019

From 1200	Registration
1.00 - 1.45 pm	Room 1 and Room 2
2.00 - 2.45 pm	Room 1 and Room 2
3.00 – 3.45 pm	Room 1 and Room 2
6.00 – 9.00 pm	<b>Cocktail Party and Opening</b>

### Saturday 16 March 2019

8.00 am	Registration
<b>9.00 am</b>	Official Welcome – DG Sue Hayward
	Welcome to Country
	Welcome to Bankstown Sports Club
	RI President's Message
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – Louisa Hope – Lindt Café survivor
	<b>Morning Tea</b>
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> - Anthony Sork – Attach, Retain, Perform
	Session – Rotary Snapshot - Australian Rotary Health
12.00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – Dr Siva – Singing Your Way into People's Hearts
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> - Annabelle Chauncey - School for Life
	Session – Rotary Snapshots ROMAC / VTT/ RAWCS
	<b>Afternoon Tea</b>
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – Michael McQueen - Change
4.00 pm	End of Sessions
6.30 pm - late	<b>Gala Dinner</b>

### Sunday 17 March 2019

8.45am	Call to Order
9.00 am	Memorial
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> - Deb Wallace APM– NSW Police Operation Raptor
	Panel discussion with Key Rotarians
	Polio presentation

10.00 am	<b>Morning tea</b>
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – Louise Sauvage OAM - Australian Paralympian
	Presentation by Di North – Conference 2020
	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> – Nick Farr-Jones AM – former Wallabies Captain
12.30 pm	Conference Close

## Our Fantastic Speakers

### Louisa Hope



Almost four years ago, Louisa was celebrating Christmas with her mother in the CBD, Sydney. A decision to enjoy a coffee at the Lindt café at Martin Place – would change their lives forever.

During the Sydney siege, Louisa was shot in the foot and abdomen. As a result, she spent three months in recovery, firstly at the Prince of Wales Hospital in Randwick and also at a private rehabilitation hospital.

Louisa always wanted to try and get some good out of the tragedy she survived. When opportunity presented itself, she realised she could make a difference to those who treated her every day during her long recovery.

She generously donated the \$25,000 she was gifted after her interview with Channel 9's Sixty Minutes program, to the Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation. A gift given from a heart of gratitude, Louisa was equally encouraged, when it was matched by the then NSW Premier, Mike Baird and the generosity of Australians at large.

In March 2015, the Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation launched the Louisa Hope Fund for Nurses - to help nurses at the hospital have access to 'seed money', via a grant process, for any necessary equipment, research, education that was nurse initiated and that they deem worthy.

Louisa has tirelessly been fundraising and she has successfully raised well over \$180,000, for the "Louisa Hope Fund for Nurses at the Prince of Wales Hospital Foundation". Last year, Louisa also initiated the "Louisa Hope Fund for Nurses at the Nepean Hospital Foundation" and is looking forward to ongoing fund raising with the Communities of both Hospitals.

### **Anthony Sork**



As a thought leader in Employee Attachment, Anthony Sork has changed the way organisations connect with talent to boost performance and retention in Australia, the UK, New Zealand and the United States. His award-winning patented instrument, Employee Attachment Inventory (EAI) has helped thousands of Hiring Managers to create meaningful onboarding experiences across industries including Banking & Finance, Recruitment, Pharma & Medical Device, Government, Media, NFP and Industrial.

Anthony has spoken at leading industry conferences globally and in the USA through numerous SHRM events. With over 100 blogs and media mentions, Anthony has been featured in the Australian Financial Review, Sydney Morning Herald, Management Today, Human Capital Magazine, Recruitment Extra & ABC Radio. You can learn more about Employee Attachment across Anthony's social media channels which attracts a worldwide audience.

### **Dr. Siva Ananthan**



Dato' Dr Siva Ananthan is the CEO of Crest Worldwide Resources, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, a property development corporation and Founder of LTT Global Consultants, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, a corporate advisory and consulting business.

He has had a diverse career for more than 30 years. He started out in the field of education, first as a law lecturer and then as the founder and owner of Malaysia's most successful private Law College – Advance Tertiary College (ATC). A pioneer of Malaysia's private education industry, he was responsible for reshaping and redefining the role of private colleges as responsible corporate citizens during their infant stages of development in Malaysia and served as the President of the National Association of Private Educational Institutions (NAPEI) from 1995 - 2000. He was also a Director of the Pan Pacific Association of Private Education (PAPE) and a Governing Council Member of the ASEAN Law Association (ALA).

A Rotarian since 1990, he is a Member of the Rotary Club of Greater Kuala Lumpur (District 3300). Over the last 29 years he has served his club and his district actively and has held many positions, including District Trainer, Deputy District Trainer, Assistant Governor, District Conference Chair, Chair of the District Awards & Recognition Committee, Chair of the District Membership Development and Retention Committee, Chairman of the District Club Extension Committee, Chairman of the District Literacy Task Force, Chairman of the District Strategic Planning Committee and Chairman of the District Rotary Leadership Institute Committee.

**He is a recipient of Rotary International's Avenues of Service Citation and Rotary International's highest honour – the Service Above Self Award.**

He is also and strong supporter of The Rotary Foundation, is a Paul Harris Fellow, Paul Harris Society Member and a Major Donor (Level 3). He has also been awarded the Rotary Foundation's District Service Award and Meritorious Service Award.

**He strongly believes that Rotary's values and mission represents the best hope we have for a better world and a better future for all of us.**

### **Annabelle Chauncy OAM**



Is the CEO and Founding Director of School for Life Foundation.

Annabelle is a dynamic leader and social entrepreneur who started a multi-national NGO from scratch at the age of 21, with operations in both Australia and Uganda. Over the past 9 years, through her Foundation, School for Life, she has built a team of more than 120 staff, built 3 schools in rural Uganda that provide quality education to 680 students and outreach

to more than 2000 people. Annabelle knows how to drive effective change in Australia and Uganda, navigating fast growth (50-100% year on year since inception), developing a national brand and engaging thousands of supporters to raise more than \$6M in 5 years. Annabelle has overcome huge barriers including running two high performing businesses in different continents on exceptionally tight budgets, cultural and gender biases, shifting mindsets, driving change and innovation, engaging staff, building teams and raising capital. Annabelle is not afraid to ask for money, spending time developing targeted strategies for adopting corporate partners, garnering investment from high net worth individuals, engaging some of Australia's best business people to help her build the business and ensuring retention of all parties through rapid growth. She now moves her business forward to focus on sustainability, driving innovative strategies to create businesses to underpin her charity's growing operational budget, and ensure the foundation isn't reliant solely on donations.

One of the youngest recipients of the Medal of the Order of Australia at just 27 years old, she is an inspiring and energetic speaker who can relate to audiences of all backgrounds and ages. Annabelle is testament to the fact that one person can make a difference and isn't short of courage, determination and grit to make it happen. Annabelle will inspire and enlighten your team with her story and experiences of being a young social entrepreneur and businesswoman making huge change in the developing world.

Besides having a Medal of the Order of Australia, Annabelle has been recognised for her work through a range of different awards, including being named NSW Young Woman of the Year in 2015, winning the Young Alumni of the Year from Sydney University in 2016, as well as being named finalist in the Audi In Style 'Women of Style' Charity category. Annabelle is a Paul Harris Fellow through Rotary and was the 2014 winner of People's Choice in the Australian Women's Weekly and Qantas' Women of the Future Awards. She was a finalist in 2 categories of the NSW Telstra Businesswomen's Awards 2013 for Business Innovation and Young Businesswoman.

**Michael McQueen**



Michael McQueen understands what it takes to thrive in a rapidly evolving world.

Widely recognized for having his finger on the pulse of business and culture, he has helped some of the world's best-known brands navigate change and stay ahead of the curve.

Michael has written six bestselling books and features regularly as a commentator on TV and radio. His work has featured in publications ranging from the UK Daily Mail to Medium.com and the Huffington Post.

Having presented to over 500,000 people across 5 continents since 2004, Michael is a familiar face on the international conference circuit having shared the stage with the likes of Bill Gates, Dr. John Maxwell and Apple co-founder Steve Wozniak.

### **Detective Superintendent Deborah Wallace**



Often referred to as 'the gang buster', Detective Superintendent Deborah Wallace, has delved into the dark underbelly of crime investigating and dismantling some of the State's most feared gangs. Throughout a stellar career spanning more than 30 years with NSW Police, Deborah has faced murderers, drug manufacturers and extortionists - to name just a few - armed with her trademark heels and colourful suits.

Currently Commander, State Crime Command Gangs Squad, Deborah is a self-described diehard Parramatta Eels fan and proud "westie." Her pragmatic approach, tenacity, sense of humour and ability to separate her work and personal lives, has enabled Deborah to thrive in high pressure police operations.

The recipient of numerous awards including the Australia Day Achievement Award, the Australian Crime and Prevention Award, and the Australian Police Medal, Deborah is strongly committed to community endeavours and is a long-time supporter of Youth off the Streets.

## **Louise Sauvage OAM**



Louise Sauvage has been involved in the sport of Wheelchair Track and Road racing for over 30 years -first as a champion athlete and now also as a successful coach.

Louise competed in four Paralympic Games that culminated in nine Gold and three Silver Paralympic medals as well as having contested many road races around the world in distances of 10km up to the marathon 42,2km.

After her retirement in 2004 Louise began a coaching career in her chosen sport. She has now been to five World Athletics Championships and three Paralympic Games in her coaching role. She has been responsible for producing a number of multiple World Champions, Paralympic medallists and World Record holders. Madison de Rozario, coached by Sauvage, is the current 5000m World Champion and 1500m and 800m World Record holder and last year won dual Gold medals in the 1500m and Marathon at the Commonwealth Games. Only a week later De Rozario went on to win the London Marathon. Coaching a diverse range of athletes from elite right down to participation level over a variety of distances has kept Sauvage's skill levels constantly evolving. Changing and learning within her sport is very important along with using innovation to get a competitive advantage for her athletes.

Louise believes the most important thing to coaching is not only knowledge of the sport but also great communication with her athletes. She believes in, and uses, all of the resources around her to help achieve her athletes' goals. Louise displays great passion and commitment to her sport which encourages future generations of athletes and promotes wheelchair racing and Paralympic sport to the greater community.

## **Nick Farr-Jones AM**



Nick attended Newington College where he played in the school's 2<sup>nd</sup> XV. He went on to study law at Sydney University and made the University's 1<sup>st</sup> XV at age of 18.

He was selected to play in the Wallabies in 1984 debuting on the Grand Slam tour of the UK and Ireland. He played 63 tests in an amateur rugby career for a decade captaining the Wallabies to win the 1991 Rugby World Cup. He Captained a World XV in 1992 in 3 tests against the All Black's celebrating New Zealand's centenary of Rugby. Inducted into the Australian and International Rugby Halls of Fame and awarded an Order of Australia in 1992 for services to rugby. Nick recently served as Chairman of NSW Rugby for 5 years standing down in 2015.

Nick is married to Angela and they have with 4 children ranging from 17 to 26. He was a lawyer for a decade before moving to Paris for 4 years when he joined the French International Bank, Societe Generale.

He returned to Sydney in 1999 and headed the Bank's mining finance team for a decade before joining the private equity group Taurus Funds Management who invest and lend globally in the mined resources sector.

Nick has been a Director of the NRMA, a Councillor of the City of Sydney and a Senator of the Sydney University.