

# Weekly Bulletin

# The Rotary Club of Strathfield

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# President George's Chit Chat

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I believe that it is safe to say that the past 8 days have been busy ones for the Rotary Club of Strathfield. Our Anzac Day breakfast was both moving and had great fellowship. Next evening with the help of Burwood and Concord Clubs we had 79 present for the final presentation of the GSE Team from Thailand. It proved to be a most enjoyable night with a good feel about it. The girls danced well and spoke well. Team leader, Siri, has certainly left a good impression behind. Incidentally Bradley and Cheryl Ayres entertained the team, their hosts and a few others, 28 in total to a BBQ at their house on Saturday night. Well done Bradley and Cheryl.

Saturday was also our fund raising "Pearl" day. Connie was the driving force behind this and she put in a great deal of time and effort to make the day a success. Connie was ably assisted by Shirley so we must give a big vote of thanks to Connie and Shirley. Thanks too to all the helpers on the day. The 'waiters' were resplendent in evening dress, in fact to see them together was worth the price of admission itself!! Pat Giammarco generously provided afternoon tea. A final monitory total is not yet to hand but will be in the vicinity of \$2,500.00.

We were hosts to the District Assembly at Meriden on Sunday to conclude our busy week. George and Sam Helou did their usual great job of catering. Over 200 Rotarians had an excellent lunch with table service and were all served in quick time. Helpers were too many to mention individually but I have to say that Roger and Janet Vince put in a very long and solid days work. Congratulations to all concerned.

"Nothing is really work, unless you would rather be doing something else." J M Barrie

Till next week, Enjoy Rotary

## President George.

# **To-Night's Meeting**

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# Joe Sydney

Choice Magazine. "The Australian Consumer"

# Congratulations

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## Birthdays

4/05/2006	Fred Haddon
9/05/2006	<b>Carol Houston</b>
4/07/2006	Sue Byrn

## Anniversaries

4/05/2006	John & Sue Leftwich
6/05/2006	Sal & Rita Tosto
2/07/2006	Eric & Pauline Khu

# Last Week's Guests

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DG Bill & Irene Little DGE Harley Tarrant DGN Jennifer Scott ADG Peter Davidson Burwood President Theo Kapeleris Concord President William Paterson Harry Pickett Members of Burwood & Concord Clubs Shirley (guest of Fred Haddon)

# Last Week's Meeting

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Bradley Ayres introduced the GSE Team from Thailand. The team performed a traditional dance and showed a presentation of Thailand's tourist attractions, pagodas and cuisine. Each member outlined their background and their impressions of the GSE program.

The GSE team consisted of:-

#### Team Leader Siri Eiamchamroonlarp.

Siri is chairman of Vocational Service for Nakornrajasima RI District 3340. Siri is the managing Director of TKSS Co Ltd, a bag manufacturer.

## **Team Member Nilubon Chaiamarit**

Nilubon is a shop manager for her family business in Nakhon Phanom.

## **Team Member Sapatporn Sittisomwong**

Sapatporn is a lecturer in the Faculty of Dentistry at Khon Kaen University.

### **Team Member Thitima Muanchit**

Thitima is a dentist and instructor at a private hospital for dental treatment in Ubonrachatani.

### Team Member Ampanida Kornkaew

Ampanida is a school teacher in Udonthani, Anuban Kumpawapi School.

The team was thanked by Euan Watson of behalf of the Clubs.

# Last Week's Announcements

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## From President George Hallworth:-

- Thank you letter from Ron Thurgar for flowers at Jean's funeral
- A cheque for \$500 from the Raffle passed to DG Bill Little for the Rotary Foundation.

## From Burwood President Theo Kapeleris:-

 Burwood Rotary holding a Fund Raiser at Le Montage on 27<sup>th</sup> May. \$125pp.

# From Ted Ingall:-

- The 2007 District Conference will be hosted by Strathfield Club at the Newcastle Convention Centre
- ✤ The Conference Secretary is Bert Houston.

# **Raffle Prizes**

The raffle and raised \$500.<sup>00</sup>. Bellezza Hair Care Products Toys and Avon Products New Zealand Tie Golf Cap Bottle of Red Wine Bottle of White Wine

# **Raffle Winners**

The raffle and raised  $$500.^{00}$ .

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Niall King 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Dominic A
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Dominic Alvaro 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Ray Wilson
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- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize George Hallworth
- 6<sup>th</sup> Prize John Mansour
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# District Conference 2007

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The 9690 District Conference in 2007 will be sponsored by the Rotary Club of Strathfield in support of District Governor Harley Tarrant. Our Club will need to support Harley for this important District event. Dinner will also be available on the evening of Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> March for early arrivals.

The Conference will be held from Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2007 at the Newcastle Convention Centre. The Strathfield Rotary Club has arranged 30 Queen Harbour Suites at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, Merewether Street, Newcastle, within easy walking distance of the conference venue. The Club has also reserved 8 two-bedroom-apartments at the Quest Apartments, 575 Hunter Street, Newcastle.

Other accommodation is also available at the Boulevard on Beaumont, Best Western Capri Plaza, Clarendon Hotel, Hotel Ibis, Noah's on the Beach and Bimet Motel. An initial deposit of one night's accommodation is required when booking.

Enquires can be made through:-

Newcastle Tourism PO Box 489 Newcastle. NSW 2300 Phone: - 1800 654 558 Fax: - 02 4929 6732 Email: - tourism@ncc.nsw.gov.au Web: - www.visitnewcastle.com.au

Booking applications for Club members must be submitted to Ted Ingall with a cheque for the first night deposit, made out to the Rotary Club of Strathfield to secure your booking. Ted has application forms for Club members.

# **COMING EVENTS**

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#### **Rotary Awareness Race Day**

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2006. Rosehill Gardens. \$25 dep. \$120, \$100, \$70 & \$25 pp packages. Ray Reed/ Joy Gillett Phn: 9633 4888

## Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal

Sunday 28 May - Peter Smith (for the Strathfield Red Shield Appeal)

**Rebound Australian GSE Team to Thailand.** Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2006. Rotarians from Burwood, Concord and Silverwater Clubs may also attend.

The Family of Rotary Picnic Day

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June at Bicentennial Park from 11:00am

# 2006 Rotary International Convention.

11<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> June 2006. 97th Rotary International Annual Convention. MalmC6, Sweden & Copenhagen, Denmark www.rotary.org/newsroom/downloadcenter/events/index.html

#### **District 9690 Changeover**

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2006. Waterview Convention Centre, Bicentennial Park, Sydney Olympic Park 12.00 noon for 12.30pm.

**Strathfield Rotary Club Change Over** Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2006 at Strathfield Golf Club 6:30 for 7:00pm

# **Rotary Club of Granville 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday**

Lachlan's Restaurant in Parramatta Park @ 6:30 for 7:00pm on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. \$55pp. Contact Cheryl Thomas (98533247)



# "PEARLS ON SHOW"

This is a very specials thank you for the help on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> at the Strathfield Council Chambers. To those gorgeous looking Barman in the black pants, white shirts, and bow ties Kevin Freund, Kevin Beltrame. Keith Stockall, Brian Johnson, Rod Mc Dougall and Euan Watson, you were marvellous.

# NEXT ROTARY MEETING

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10<sup>th</sup> May 2006 **Glenn Anthoney** Motor Cycle Culture

# **FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS**

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17 <sup>th</sup> May 2006	TBA
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31 <sup>st</sup> May 2006	<b>The Rebound Australian</b> <b>GSE Team to Thailand.</b> Rotarians from Burwood, Concord and Silverwater may also attend
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2006	Michelle Sharkey Stroke Prevention
14 <sup>th</sup> June 2006	TBA
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2006	TBA
<del>28<sup>th</sup> June 2006</del>	NO MEETING Transferred to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June
30 <sup>th</sup> June 2006	<b>Strathfield Rotary Club</b> <b>Change Over</b> FRIDAY TRANSFER MEETING at Strathfield Golf



Club 6:30 for 7:00pm

**"PEARL WORKERS"** 

# HUMOUR FROM OUR MEMBERS

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## **New Husbands Store**

From Shirley Del Prado

A store that sells new husbands has just opened in New York City, where a woman may go to choose a husband. Among the instructions at the entrance is a description of how the store operates. You may visit the store ONLY ONCE! There are six floors and the attributes of the men increase as the shopper ascends the flights.

There is, however, a catch: you may choose any man from a particular floor, or you may choose to go up a floor, but you cannot go back down except to exit the building!

So, a woman goes to the Husband Store to find a husband. On the first floor the sign on the door reads:

Floor 1 - These men have jobs.

The second floor sign reads:

Floor 2 - These men have jobs and love kids. The third floor sign reads:

Floor 3 - These men have jobs, love kids, and are extremely good looking.

"Wow," she thinks, but feels compelled to keep going. She goes to the fourth floor and sign reads: Floor 4 - These men have jobs, love kids, are dropdead good looking and help with the housework.

"Oh, mercy me!" she exclaims, "I can hardly stand it!" Still, she goes to the fifth floor and sign reads: Floor 5 - These men have jobs, love kids, are dropdead gorgeous, help with the housework, and have a strong romantic streak.

She is so tempted to stay, but she goes to the sixth floor and the sign reads:

Floor 6 - You are visitor 31,456,012 to this floor. There are no men on this floor. This floor exists solely as proof that women are impossible to please. Thank you for shopping at the Husband Store.

# The New Wives Store

The first floor has wives that love sex. The second floor has wives that love sex and have money.

The THIRD through SIXTH floors have never been visited.

# 95 year old Cinderella

From Graham True

After a fulfilling life with the now dead prince, she happily sits upon her rocking chair, watching the world go by from her front porch, with a cat named Bob for companionship.

One sunny afternoon, out of nowhere, appeared the fairy godmother. Cinderella said, "Fairy Godmother, what are you doing here after all these years?" The fairy godmother replied, "Cinderella, you have lived an exemplary life since I last saw you. Is there anything for which your heart still yearns?"

Cinderella was taken aback, overjoyed, and after some consideration, she uttered her first wish: "The prince was wonderful, but not much of an investor. I'm living hand to mouth on my pension, and I wish I were wealthy beyond comprehension." Instantly her rocking chair turned into solid gold. Cinderella said, "Ooh, thank you, Fairy Godmother" The fairy godmother replied, "It is the least that I can do.

What's your second wish?"

Cinderella looked down at her frail body, and said, "I wish I were young and full of the beauty and youth I once had." At once, her wish became reality, and her beauty and youth returned. Cinderella felt stirrings inside her that had been dormant for years.

And then the fairy godmother spoke once more: "You have one more wish; what shall it be?" Cinderella looks over to the frightened cat in the corner and says, "I wish for you to transform Bob, my old cat, into a kind and handsome young man."

Magically, Bob suddenly underwent so fundamental a change in his biological make-up that, when he stood before her, he was a man so beautiful the likes of him neither she nor the world had ever seen. The fairy godmother said, "Congratulations, Cinderella, enjoy your new life."With a blazing shock of bright blue electricity, the fairy godmother was gone as suddenly as she appeared. For a few moments, Bob and Cinderella looked into each others eyes. Cinderella sat, breathless, gazing at the most beautiful, stunningly perfect man she had ever seen.

Then Bob walked over to Cinderella, who sat transfixed in her rocking chair. He held her close in his young muscular arms. He leaned in close, blowing her golden hair with his warm breath as he whispered... "Bet you're sorry you had me desexed."