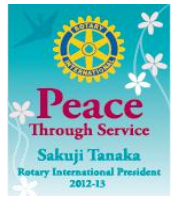




# STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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District 9690, New South Wales, Australia



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Wednesday, 31 October 2012

## October is Vocational Service Month

### TONIGHT'S MEETING

Tonight we welcome, Derick Frere –  
 Why do planes fly over Strathfield?  
 Derick will explain to us the impact on the area if a  
 second airport is not developed.

### **RAY'S PUTTS**

What a great night we had last week with  
 Meriden School and St Patrick's College who debated  
 the topic "The new media, in particular the social  
 media, is a dangerous communication tool".

Congratulations to St Patrick's College who were the  
 successful team on the night and were awarded the  
 Lew Wilson Shield.

Thank you to those members who contributed their  
 time at the Homebush West Public School BBQ last  
 Saturday.

*President Ray*



**Meriden School Debating Team**



**Past President Raymond McCluskie explaining the origin and history of the Maurie Moroney Memorial Debating Challenge for the "Lew Wilson Shield"**



**St. Patrick's College Debating Team**



**PP Peter Smith & PP Trevor Duxbury**  
**"Showing how it's done" !!!**



**Peter Revelos & PE Suzanne Freund**  
**"Thinking about it"**



**PP Raymond McCluskie**  
**"Talking about it" !!!**

<b>Meeting Statistics Last Week</b>	<b>24/10/2012</b>
Members	33
Apologies	9
Silent - non apologies	6
LOA	2
85'ers	3
	<b>53</b>
<b>Guests:</b>	
Guests	14
Rotarian Partners	2
Total attendance on the night	<b>49</b>
Raffle	\$265.00
Sergeant	\$141.40
	<b>\$406.40</b>

**CONGRATULATIONS**

**Birthdays**

30 October Peter Revelos

**Anniversaries**

Nil

**Rotary Anniversaries**

Nil

**Apologies:**

David Croft, Angelo Franco, Ted Ingall, Godfrey Isouard, Eric Khu, Joseph Kim, Andrew Kowalski, David Martin and Allan Petersen

**Make-ups:**

Suzanne Freund – attending Lower Blue RC

**Last Week's Meeting Announcements**

**President Ray Reminded** members of the restaurant evening on Thursday 25 October, to be held at the *Bakehouse Garden Korean BBQ* 11 George Street North Strathfield.

**David Martin** will meet with his Vocational Service committee members tonight, commencing at 8.00pm.

Future committee meetings will be:

**Club Service – Rod Rimes** Wednesday 7 November 2012 commencing at 8.00pm

**International Service – Anuradha Kamkolkar** Wednesday 21 Nov 2012 commencing at 8.00pm

Please do your best to attend your meeting but if you are unable to attend, advise your respective Director.

**Peter Smith** announced the Volunteer Exhibition Minders required for Year 12 HSC Art Exhibition, Wednesday 5 December to Monday 10 December at Strathfield Town hall

Council is seeking Volunteer Exhibition Minders for the upcoming Year 12 HSC Art Exhibition. This is a local community event, with participation from our local high schools, and sponsorship from local businesses.

Rostered shifts will be allocated in 2-hour blocks over the course of the exhibition – with 2-3 people will be allocated to each shift.

Shifts are: 10am -12pm, 12pm – 2pm and 2pm – 4pm

Expression of Interest Forms will be circulated at meeting tonight (24/10/12)

#### **FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Presentation</i>
<b>7/11/2012</b>	<i>Rotary merchandise for purchase</i>
<b>14/11/2012</b>	<i>Strathfield SES</i>
<b>21/11/2012</b>	<i>Pride of Workmanship</i>
<b>28/11/2012</b>	<i>Club Assembly</i>
<b>5/12/2012</b>	<i>AGM</i>
<b>12/12/2012</b>	<i>Rotary Christmas Party</i>
<b>19/12/2012</b>	<i>Children's Christmas Party</i>

#### **FUTURE CLUB EVENTS**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
<b>31/10/2012</b>	<i>RYDA at Penrith Regatta Centre – Meriden School</i>
<b>Friday Night 2/11/2012</b>	<i>Cheese and Wine tasting Cibo &amp; Cibo Deli 7 Cave Road, South Strathfield</i>
<b>21/11/2012</b>	<i>Pride of Workmanship Awards</i>
<b>8/12/2012</b>	<i>Candles in the Park Strathfield Park</i>
<b>9/1/2013 (TBC)</b>	<i>Croquet Club Evening</i>
<b>16/1/2013</b>	<i>Fellowship Dinner</i>
<b>30/1/2013</b>	<i>Normal Meeting format recommence</i>
<b>28/2/2013</b>	<i>Ray Wilson – Golf Day</i>

#### **Melbourne Cup function:**

##### **Rotary Club of Burwood**

- Monday 5 November (the night before the cup)
- Burwood RSL Club (96 Shaftesbury Road, Burwood)
- 6 for 6.15pm
- Cost \$30 pp.

**RSVP: ASAP**

**District Ambassadorial Scholar Kate Cornford to speak at Rotary Club of Burwood, Monday 10th December.**

*The Rotary Club of Burwood meets at Burwood RSL Club, Shaftesbury Road Burwood (1st Floor) at 6.00pm for 6.30pm start. Cost is \$25.*

*Please advise attendance to David Wright 8094 8668 or davidwright@live.com.au by Thursday 6th December.*

## **Rotary International News**

### **Delft, The Netherlands**

*Eight scholars, sponsored by Rotary International, will begin an 18-month academic program at UNESCO-IHE, a United Nations Institute in Delft, The Netherlands on 18 October 2012.*

*The Rotary and UNESCO-IHE partnership was established in 2011 to address the world's water and sanitation crisis by increasing the ranks of trained professionals critically needed to devise, plan, and implement solutions in developing countries that bear the brunt of the problem.*

*Through this strategic partnership, The Rotary Foundation – the charitable arm of Rotary International – provides grants to Rotary clubs and districts to select and sponsor eight students each year for scholarships to any of three 18-month Master of Science degree programs at UNESCO-IHE, which is the world's largest postgraduate water education facility. The school's scholarship-eligible programs are Municipal Water and Infrastructure, Water Management, and Water Science and Engineering.*

### **Rotary Club continues efforts to eradicate polio in the world. Crippling disease concentrated in Pakistan, Nigeria and Afghanistan**

*Mary Stitt is an 87-year-old retired elementary school principal, mother of five, grandmother of 11 and great-grandmother of six.*



*The Arlington Heights resident also is part of a worldwide effort by Rotary International to eradicate polio. Stitt has traveled to India, Niger and Nigeria a total of six times since 2004 to inoculate children with polio vaccine. When she walks down the streets of Nigeria, she says, she is easily recognizable because there are not too many elderly white women.*

*"They call me Grandma Mary," said Stitt, a Rotarian for 20 years who has stayed active following cardiac stent surgery in 2009. "The last time I was in Nigeria in the fall of 2010, we were out in the neighborhoods, and a woman said to me, 'I know you.'"*

*Stitt is one of more than a million Rotarians who have donated their time and money to a program called PolioPlus, which started in 1988 with the goal of eradicating polio, a highly infectious and crippling disease. To date, Rotary has raised more \$1.2 billion for an effort that has reached more than 2 billion children in 122 countries.*

*The results of the efforts by Rotary and other organizations battling polio are staggering. In 1988, 125 countries were polio-endemic and more than 350,000 children paralyzed each year. In 2011, there were 650 cases globally in 16 countries, according to the World Health Organization. This year, as of last week, there have been 128 cases in four countries. Three of those countries, Pakistan, Nigeria and Afghanistan, have never been polio-free. They have accounted for 123 of this year's cases (the others have been in Chad). The disease continues to present a significant challenge, not only to the health of people living there but also to those from other countries who come in contact through travel. Officials battling polio fear that a rebound in overall cases could harm eradication efforts.*

*In August, 50 Rotary leaders from the U.S. and nine other nations met at the organization's headquarters in Evanston to strategize for a United Nations General Assembly meeting Sept. 27 at which U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon is expected to issue a strong call to action in support of polio eradication.*

*The polio virus primarily strikes children under 5, according to the World Health Organization. It causes paralysis by invading the nervous system, sometimes just hours after being contracted. One in 200 who get the virus will be paralyzed, and among those, 5 to 10 percent will die when their breathing muscles become immobilized. The United States, once gripped in fear of the disease for decades, is one of many parts of the world considered polio-free, but children there are still inoculated.*

### **Thought for the Week:**

***"Five frogs are sitting on a log. Four decide to jump off. How many are left?"***

***There are still five - because there's a difference between deciding and doing."***