

STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m.

November is Rotary Foundation month -Emphasising our commitment to the important work accomplished by The Rotary Foundation.

President's Report

This month will be a busy time at our meetings as we acknowledge some of the committed members of our community, through the Pride of Workmanship Awards and also invite some other local residents to consider joining us at a meeting with, Yasmin King.

We are also planning our Christmas celebrations and also support of community projects for those who would appreciate our thoughts and assistance at this time of the year. Please consider sponsoring a child with a gift this Christmas as we support the Salvation Army gift drive.

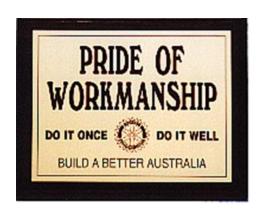
You are also welcome to bring family and friends to our Christmas Party on the 11th December, we will have an entertainer and lots of fun planned for the evening. And our children's Christmas Party is always fun for grandchildren, family and friends.

Consider the seasons message and think of others too.

President Suzanne

Tonight's Meeting

Pride of Workmanship Awards





Objectives of Pride of Workmanship Program

- To promote Vocational Service.
- To encourage Pride of Workmanship in all vocations.
- To provide employers with an opportunity to recognize employees who display the qualities worthy of an Award.
- To encourage favourable employer/employee relationships and a sense of community pride in individual achievement.
- To provide an opportunity for Rotary to be involved in the community, particularly the business community



Denise Taylor – 'A View of Life Driven by Chance and Circumstances"

Denise shared with us some highlights of her career and insights into the career choices she made. Many were driven by circumstances and choices she made as a woman who subscribes to the theory that you can "have it all" but not "all of the time".

Cheryl Ayres - "Relay for Life"

A lymphoma survivor, twice, Cheryl told us about her plans to lead her "Live Long and Prosper" team of 11 as they participate in an amazing Cancer Council fundraising initiative to be held at King George Park, Rozelle over the weekend of 9/10 November. It is a relay where you don't have to run!



Denise Taylor, President Suzanne, Cheryl Ayres with "Star Friend"



All the Ladies.......
Anne Manenti, Marlene Smith, Denise Taylor,
President Suzanne, Cheryl Ayres (with
"FRIEND") and Margaret Croft

Announcements Last Week

Tony Lanzafame

- A reminder good quality clothes are required for the St Vincent de Paul Society.
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 - You can drop the clothes off at his home address, alternatively, you can contact Tony to arrange a pick up. (See Members directory). The clothes will be delivered to the St Vincent de Paul Society, on Thursday 14th November 2013.
- Pleaded with members to submit potential RYLA applicants.
- The Debating Shield will be presented to Homebush Boys High School on 15 November.

Allan Petersen

- Advised invitation received from ACU Strathfield to attend Visual Arts & Design awards
- Reminder of Rotary Foundation dinner at the Epping Club, 18 November and an opportunity meet RI President Elect 2014/2015 Gary C K Huang
- Directed members to the notice of Annual General Meeting which appears in the Bulletin.

Kevin Freund

- Announced Meriden School students would be attending RYDA at Penrith on Thursday 7 November. And called for one more member to attend with Keith Stockall and Peter Smith.
- Reminded members "Carols in the Park" will be held 7 December and sought support from members on the night.

Peter Smith

- Homebush Boys High School Interact Club is looking to implement guest speakers at their meetings.
 Members are requested to volunteer to speak.
- Homebush Boys High School Interact Club also runs a "Breakfast Club" once a week before school. Food donations assist to make this possible. Recently, financial support has been provided by Peter Revelos, Homebush Post Office and Emmanuel Vatalis, Bendigo Bank.

Congratulations to those who have birthdays and anniversaries next week:

Birthdays

18 November Devi Bala

Umesh Kamkolkar

Anniversaries

15 November Tony & Connie

Lanzafame

Rotary Anniversaries

15 November Andrew Kowalski

| MEETING STATISTICS | 6 November 2013 |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| Members present | 20 |
| Partners | 5 |
| Guests | - |
| | 25 |
| Leaves of Absence | 7 |
| Apologies | 8 |
| No apologies | 14 |
| Make-Ups | nil |
| Raffle | \$170.00 |
| Sergeant-at-Arms | \$60.65 |

FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS

| Date | Topic |
|------------|---|
| 20/11/2013 | NSW Small Business Commissioner – Yasmin King |
| 27/11/2013 | Salvo's Street Level – Mitch & Robyn Evans |
| 4/12/2013 | AGM |
| 11/12/2013 | Members Christmas Party |
| 18/12/2013 | Children's Christmas party |

FUTURE CLUB EVENTS

| Date | Event |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| 18/11/2013 | Rotary Foundation Dinner – |
| (Monday) | meet RI President Elect |
| | 2014/2015 |
| | Gary C K Huang |
| | 6.30 pm Epping Club |
| 7/12/2013 | Carols in the Park - |
| (5.00 p.m.) | Strathfield Park |
| 1/3/2014 | District Conference - |
| | Homebush |

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING -ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD 4 December 2013, 6.30 p.m. at Strathfield Golf Club, Centenary Drive Strathfield



Just as collaboration and cooperation across clubs will help our district achieve more with less effort, by focusing on a fewer projects we will also be able to achieve a greater impact for the recipients.

Based on feedback from the clubs in the district we have selected 6 key projects to support in 2013-2014, all clearly aligned with The Rotary Foundation's Future Vision areas of focus.

- 1. Peace and conflict prevention/resolution
- 2. Disease prevention and treatment
- 3. Water and sanitation
- 4. Maternal and child health
- 5. Basic education and literacy
- 6. Economic and community development

Inaugural Australian Choral Grand Prix

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success, it will long be remembered as a triumph by all involved.

Kamahl compered the event which featured guest artists Amelia Farrugia and Tamara Anna Cislowska, adjudicators Ron Smart PSM, Lynn Williams OAM and Brett Weymark.

Members of the Rotary Club of Sydney Cove and the Salvation Army Auburn2Africa project worked tirelessly alongside Sydney Eisteddfod volunteers to ensure the event went without a hitch. The audience packed the Salvation Army Congress Hall to the rafters and their enthusiastic applause encouraged the participating choirs.

Congratulations to winners The PLC Sydney Chamber Choir (Presbyterian Ladies' College) on their magnificent victory. Conducted by Fiona Clouston and accompanied by Andrew Basile, along with a student string quartet, this choir gave a magnificent performance and at the end of the night claimed the \$10,000 first prize.

Applause to Fort Street High School Chamber Choir who finished in second place and not only received \$5,000, but also an additional \$1,000 prize for the Best Performance of an Australian composition with their rendition of a work by local composer Daniel Brinsmead.

Waitara Voices from Waitara Public School finished in third place and also claimed the \$1,000 Audience Vote award after touching all hearts with their sincere performance of Peter Allen's I Still Call Australia Home.

The three other finalists, the Shine Chorus, Soulfood and The King's School Preparatory School Chamber Choir received \$1,000 each, along with glowing reports from their judges,