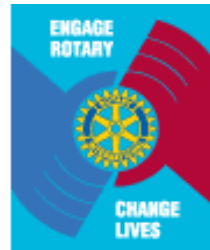




STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

The Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc.
District 9675, New South Wales, Australia



20.10.13: PRESIDENT SUZANNE'S REPORT HAS BEEN ADDED AFTER PAGE 4

President	Suzanne Freund
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APOLOGIES OR GUESTS: Phone: 9746 0397 (Eric Khu)
(Before 4pm Tues): Email: brontin@bigpond.com
6.15 p.m. for 6.30 p.m.

October is Vocational Service month - emphasising Rotary's contribution to the second Avenue of Service

TONIGHT'S MEETING

The Great Debate –

St Patrick's College Strathfield



Versus

Homebush Boys High School



St Patrick's will defend the right to hold the Lew Wilson Shield against what is sure to be a spirited challenge by Homebush Boys.

The topic will be announced on the night.

Last Week

David Rosenberg - Travelling Con Men

David is an intelligence officer for NSW Fair Trading. David provided us with an excellent presentation in which he described the operations of travelling con men or TCM's. TCM's are travellers, mostly Irish and some from the UK who claim to be "tradesmen" offering cheap services such as roof painting and asphalt resurfacing. They prey on the elderly and in all cases the workmanship is inferior and in some cases incomplete. David described the case of one TCM victim who was an elderly person with dementia who made several payments to the TCM without any work or service being commenced or performed.

David was introduced by Stephen Taylor and thanked by Keith Stockall.

Feedback

From: David Rosenberg

[\[mailto:dgr.intel@gmail.com\]](mailto:dgr.intel@gmail.com)

Sent: Wednesday, 9 October 2013 10:40 PM

To: 'Peter Smith'

Subject: RE: TCM - STRATHFIELD ROTARY - 9 Oct

Hi Peter

Thank you again for organising my talk tonight at the Rotary Club.

I enjoyed the many questions and the interest shown by the members in the

Travelling Con Men, and I was made to feel very welcome again

Kind regards, David

Announcements

Rod McDougall (Acting [Acting] Secretary)

- Letter of thanks received from Strathfield Girls High for providing BBQ at their recent 60th anniversary celebrations together with nation of \$200.00.
- Roger Vince circulated name of Gulian Vaccari last week and to date no objections had been received.
- Invitation received from Rotary Club of MacArthur for a night at the Menangle Trots.

Tony Lanzafame

- Soccer Club clothing for Timor almost complete and ready for shipping.
- Arrangements being made to collect clothing for St Vincent's De Paul. More details soon.
- Great Debate. Change of Adjudicator.
- Pleaded with members to submit potential RYLA applicants.

Paul White

- Announced Pride of Workmanship is to be held 13 November and nominations should be received by the end of October.

Grahame True

Encouraged members to support the two meetings detailed below. Pride of Workmanship and Small Business NSW Commissioner, Yasmin King. Both these meetings are partners' nights and also are excellent opportunities to showcase Rotary and invite friends and or colleagues who may be prospective members.

**Rotary**

Save the Dates

Pride of Workmanship Awards 2013 **13 November**

Vocational Services Director Paul White and his team are hard at work to ensure another succesful awards evening. It will be a partners night
Wednesday, 13 November 2013
6:30 for 7:00 pm
Strathfield Golf Club

Partners Night

Membership Evening **20 November**

Yasmin King, NSW Small Business Commissioner
Special Guest Speaker

An outstanding opportunity to invite friends and colleagues, especially those in business, to learn about Rotary and to listen to and meet Yasmin King.
Wednesday, 20 November 2013
6:15 for 6:30 pm
Strathfield Golf Club

Colleagues Welcome

Rotary Club of Strathfield

Graffiti Removal Day - October 20

Some of the largest community organisations in NSW will join forces on Sunday, October 20 for what promises to be the biggest Graffiti Removal Day yet.

This year NSW Government and Rotary Down Under will run the State-wide graffiti removal and prevention day with the support of a wide range of community organisations, including Australian Men's Shed Association (NSW Branch), Scouts and Girl Guides.

Congratulations to those who have birthdays and anniversaries next week:

Birthdays

17 October	Arthur Crossan
18 October	Pauline Khu
15 October	Peter Manenti

Anniversaries

21 October	Bill & Mira Carney
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Rotary Anniversaries

NIL

MEETING STATISTICS	9 Oct 2013
Members present	21
Partners	0
Guests	2
	23
Leaves of Absence	7
Apologies	5
No apologies	16
Make-Ups	2
Raffle	\$156.00
Sergeant-at-Arms	\$85.05

FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS

Date	Topic
23/10/2013	Arnott Biscuits History – PP Claude Bennie
30/10/2013	Teacher Training in Nepal – Dr Anne Prescott
6/11/2013	Partner Talk – Denise Taylor
13/11/2013	Pride of Workmanship
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
20/10/2013 (Sunday)	Graffiti Removal Day (NSW Wide)
26/10/2013 (Saturday)	BBQ – Ashfield Infants Home
18/11/2013 (Monday)	Rotary Foundation Dinner – meet RI President Elect 2014/2015 Gary C K Huang 6.30 pm Epping Club

Last Sunday, Beyond Blue held a soccer tournament at Mason Park Homebush and our Club provided BBQ facilities for them.



Team members, happy with their "supervisor"



Chris Virgona and Bradley Ayres working, while Rod McDougall and Kevin Freund just talk about it



Rotary to bring the world to Sydney
Press Release Sydney (10 October 2013)

Volunteer leaders from around the globe to convene in June 2014

Sydney will host Rotary International's 105th annual convention 1-4 June 2014, which is expected to attract more than 18,000 Rotary club members from over 150 countries while

injecting an estimated AUD 60.5 million into the local economy.

Often described as a “mini-United Nations” because of its global scope and cultural diversity, the always-colorful Rotary convention will transform the Sydney Olympic Park into a kaleidoscope of energy, color and excitement as Rotary brings together its global network of volunteer leaders – men and women from all walks of life dedicated to tackling the world’s most pressing humanitarian challenges – to engage in a full agenda of plenary sessions, workshops and a lineup of world class keynote speakers.

“Sydney is a vibrant international hub as well as a gateway between East and West,” said 2013-14 Rotary International President Ron D. Burton. “It is the perfect venue for our convention as we celebrate and share the many ways our members have found to use the resources of Rotary to improve the lives of families worldwide.”

Organized by Rotary International in conjunction with the Sydney Host Organizing Committee of local Rotary leaders, with significant support from the New South Wales Government, the convention also will provide registrants with ample opportunities to savor Sydney’s myriad of attractions, including an Australian Rules football match, a restaurant night and fireworks display, an authentic Aussie BBQ, and a performance of the Sydney Symphony Orchestra.

NSW Premier Barry O’Farrell said Rotary clubs and volunteers around the world provide outstanding service to the community and Sydney is proud to host the 2014 Rotary International Convention.

"This event will inject an estimated \$60.5 million into the NSW economy, which is great news for local businesses and workers in the tourism and hospitality sectors.

While the convention is not open to the general public, Sydneysiders are encouraged to join Rotary members in a major book drive in support of Australian literacy programs and to visit a special photographic exhibit in the city’s centre highlighting Rotary’s many humanitarian efforts worldwide.

A major portion of the convention will be devoted to Rotary’s top priority, the global eradication of the crippling disease polio, and many area residents will remember seeing the exterior of the iconic Sydney Opera House illuminated with Rotary’s End Polio Now message in February 2009. The convention will include an update on Rotary’s funding campaign with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, in which the latter will match 2 for 1 every new dollar Rotary commits to polio eradication up to AUD 38 million (USD 35 million) per year through 2018.

Rotary launched its polio eradication program in 1985, and in 1988 helped launch the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. Rotary members have since contributed more than AUD 1.3 billion (USD 1.2 billion) and countless volunteer hours to protect more than two billion children in 122 countries from polio. Australia’s 32,243 Rotary members have donated AUD 21.2 million (USD 19.5 million) toward ending polio. The Government of Australia has committed AUD 73.3 million (USD 67.35 million) through 2014, and in late May this year announced a new commitment of AUD 80 million (USD 73.4 million) from 2015-2018. Great progress has been made, as the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99 percent, from 350,000 new cases a year to only 23 for all of 2012.



PRESIDENTS REPORT 14TH OCTOBER 2013

This week has seen an exceptional opportunity as Kevin and I were privileged to meet the Rotary International President Ron Burton and his wife at the launch of the International Conference.

The conference will be a unique opportunity to showcase Australian Rotary and for our club, as one of the geographically closest clubs, there is an opportunity to organise an event and invite Rotarians from many overseas locations to join us, in fellowship.

Please consider attending this conference and register before December to assist the organising committee, in its planning and also to allow a financial reimbursement from the fees.

ACTIVITIES

- A visit with the acting principal of Strathfield Primary School established a meaningful networking opportunity.
- An invitation and visit with Chalmers Road School enabled me to gain information on an innovative project, that the school is considering for the future and also to see the amazing structure that funds from PP Ray Wilsons year provided at the school. The money contributed to the erection of a large awning at the front of the school – so that the children can be dropped off undercover in adverse weather conditions.

Also the contribution of materials from Bunning's via the Rotarians and Friends@work project has culminated in a sensory room at Chalmers Road School – to promote the children's sensory stimulation.

The staff members are truly appreciative of our clubs financial support and interest in their efforts, in the education of their students.

MEMBERS ACTIVITIES

- The small group of regular members supported the Beyond Blue fund raiser and provided a barbeque on Sunday at a park near DFI at North Strathfield.
- And South Strathfield Girls School kindly made a donation in appreciation of our support of their 60th anniversary celebrations several weeks ago, by providing our barbeque chefs for the morning.
- Our busy Youth Director has organised for a 30 Soccer Jerseys to be donated to Rotary's project Donations in Kind to be sent to Vanuatu or Papua New Guinea for use by some young local sports enthusiasts.
- And he has also organised for a donation of good quality second hand clothes to go to St Vinnie's for local use by them. We ask that you consider if you have any unwanted clothes to donate. Please contact Tony before Thursday 14th November.

President Suzanne