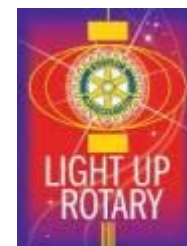




STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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Wednesday 3 September 2014
Meeting Tonight 6.00 for 6.30 pm

TAKE A CLOSER LOOK **NSW STATE LIBRARY** **Gary Cook**

After retiring in 2002, Gary has involved himself in a variety of volunteering roles. Currently, he is a Volunteer Speaker and Guide for Tours and Exhibitions at the State Library of NSW, Volunteer Speaker for the Sydney Harbour Federation Trust, Volunteer Speaker and Guide for Historic Houses Trust, Volunteer Justice of the Peace at Balmain Local Court and Deputy Chair of Hyde Park Inn Hotel.



The State Library of New South Wales is the major public reference and information service for NSW. The Library comprises two wings, The Mitchell Wing, housing the Australian research collections and the Macquarie Street Wing, housing a general reference collection

The presentation details the development of both the historic Mitchell Library and the State Library building in Macquarie Street. It will discuss the major private benefactors, detailing their contributions to the Library. In addition it will discuss the many and varied roles of this public institution – literary resource, conservator, preserver, exhibitor and a leading world Library of the technological age. The presentation also showcases the magnificent historical architectural features throughout the building such as the decorative stonework, stained glass windows and magnificent bronze doors of the Mitchell Library. The marble mosaic reproduction of the Tasman Map in the Mitchell Vestibule and the beautiful Tudor style Shakespeare Room. The presentation then focuses on the newly refurbished State Reference Library showcasing the features of a contemporary Library with technological innovation and highlights other areas of interest such as the popular Family History section, Friends Room, Exhibition Galleries and the new Amaze Gallery.



Presidents Ravings

Hi Everyone,

First and foremost, thank you all for attending our first major event of the year, the 2014 Police Officer of the Year evening. Your attendance and enthusiasm for the evening made it a tremendous success. The evening was quite a challenge for myself but the work that PP Peter Smith dedicated to ensuring its success was simply amazing, a job Peter, a job better than well done.

It has been a strange experience to sit every week at the main table and enjoy the company of the Guest Speaker and the Sergeant. Last week I was honoured by the company of Deputy Commissioner Nick Kaldas APM, a truly remarkable person, who was at our club for all right reason, that is, to recognise the officers who were to receive the awards. I was impressed on the first evening that we had him as our guest and I must say I was no less impressed with his company last Wednesday. How fortunate are we as members of the Rotary Club of Strathfield to have enjoyed the company of such a fine group of individuals as these nominees were. They were all police officers of the year in my thinking. That they have to pay for the education for the right to be the front line in the defense of our community, doesn't make sense to me.

I would also like to thank PP Joe Saad for a job well done on short notice as he jumped into the breach to act as MC as PP Keith Byrne had been attacked by a vicious flu. Keith is slowly on the mend but is still a week or so away from recovery. If you receive the bulletin Keith, gets well soon. You are missed.

To our new Paul Harris Double Sapphire and Sapphire awardees, PP Peter Smith and PP Rod McDougall, not only our congratulations but also our sincere thanks. You two gentlemen make Rotary and the community a better place. The presentation of the awards, I hope, was a pleasant surprise to you, but all in the Club believe that, as you should already know, they are well deserved.

We have the challenge this weekend of two events, the Muscle Car Masters and the Strathfield Spring Fair Festival. Those who can help, please nominate where you can as these are both fund raising events that help the club enormously as well as being a chance to have a bit of fellowship. So, a BUSY WEEKEND.

Lets all have a great week in Rotary and remember, this is a great place to introduce your mates to a good night out.

Allan Fudge

An old man goes to the doctor for some tests. When he gets the results, the doctor tells him that he has bad news.

The old man says, "Just give it to me straight, doc."

The doctor says, "Well, you have cancer, and you have Alzheimer's."

The old man says, "I guess it could be worse. I could have cancer."

Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson were going camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep. Sometime in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson up and said: "Watson, look up at the stars, and tell me what you see." Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars." Holmes said: "And what do you deduce from that?" Watson replied: "Well, if there are millions of stars, and if even a few of those have planets, it's quite likely there are some planets like Earth out there. And if there are a few planets like Earth out there, there might also be life." And Holmes said: "Watson, you idiot, it means that somebody stole our tent.

An old man finally gets the sports car of his dreams and decides to go for a drive and see what his new car can do. He's letting loose on the highway, when police lights and sirens turn on right behind him. He looks at his speed and notices he's doing 100, so he presses on the gas increasing it to 110, presses a little harder increasing his speed to 120. Finally he decides, "I'm too old for this" and pulls over. When the cop reaches his window he says "look old man, I've got 30 minutes left in my shift and it's Friday, if you give me a good excuse I've never heard before, I'll give you a warning". The old man thinks for a sec, and replies, 3 years ago my wife left me for a police officer, I thought you were bringing her back", to which the cop replied, "have a good day sir!

CLUB MEETINGS

3 September	Take a Closer Look NSW State Library Gary Cook
10 September	Sydney Heritage Fleet Caroline Scott
15 September	Meriden Interact Changeover
17 September	Coal Seam Gas, An Insight Warwick Giblin
27 September	Rotary Club of Five Dock Yaght Club Themed Dinner

MEETING STATISTICS	20 August 2014
Members present	32
Partners	12
Guests of members	52
District Representatives	
Leaves of Absence	4
Apologies	4
No apologies	7
Make-Ups	0
Raffle	\$1075.00
Sergeant-at-Arms	

CLUB ACTIVITIES

7 September	
6, 7 September	
26 October	GRAFFITI NSW REMOVAL

RAFFLE WINNERS

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- Peter Manenti
 - Belinda Noonan
 - Margaret Croft
 - Bradley Ayres
 - Penny True
 - Mark Jones
 - Michelle Scanlon
 - David Martin
 - DC Nick Kaldas
 - Simon Liu
 - Matthew Blackmore
 - Charles Pitt

POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR 2014
Burwood Local Area Command Detective Senior Constable Ian Kay
Flemington Local Area Command Sergeant Leah Greig

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