

STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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"Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."

Paul P. Harris

PRESIDENT PETERSEN'S PAGE

2nd September, 2015

SEPTEMBER IS R.I. NEW GENERATIONS MONTH

Dr Usha Garg is our Club's New Generations Director. She is providing the following information on our Club's initiatives for this month. To begin, to-night we welcome to our meeting the successful applicants of the Strathfield Council/Strathfield Rotary Youth Achievement Awards and students from Strathfield Girls' High School who are presenting their annual Book Week/Literature Extension Reports to members. A very warm welcome is extended to Mayor Rotarian Vaccari, students, teachers, Awardees, Guests and parents of those taking part.

Dr Garg has written:

"The role of the Rotary New Generations Service is to encourage constructive and positive changes in youth and young adults through community activities and leadership development and recognition of effort and achievement towards those activities. Rotary clubs have a commitment to youth and looking after youth is an important part of Rotary programs. Each Rotarian is a mentor and role model for a young person somewhere. It is expected that one day, this young person will also serve humanity in the Spirit of Rotary.

There are many Rotary programs that provide opportunities for local youth (and youth with special needs) to participate in and

benefit from these programs. The Club, Board and relevant committees meet regularly to establish priorities, timelines and budgets for achieving these commitments. This year we expect to allocate extra resources into our new Interact Club which operates at Strathfield Girls' High School. We wish to build better relationships with them."

FATHERS' DAY WEEKEND

Saturday, September 5

Three members are attending the Rotary International Conference being held in Canberra ACT, Saturday September 5. Rotarian Charles Pitt responsible for rostering members selling programs at the AUSTRALIAN RACING DRIVERS' CLUB, Muscle Car Masters at Eastern Creek: 8.30am -12 noon

Sunday September 6

Day 2 of the Muscle Car Masters Program: 7.30am -2pm

Club Director Peter Smith is responsible for rostering members at Club BBQ Team managing sale of sausage sandwiches at the Strathfield Council Spring Fair at Strathfield Park. **Volunteers** are required for the afternoon sessions.

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY ROTARIAN DADS & DADS EVERYWHERE

<u>CLUB MEMBERS'/PARTNERS'</u> ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

Margaret Croft	Birthday	September 4
Janelle Watson	Birthday	September 5
Peter and Jan Van der Sleesen	Wedding	September 7
Christopher Virgona	Rotary	September 8

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT: RE-DEDICATION OF PLAQUES

Plaques which were originally displayed at the Homebush/Strathfield RSL in the Crescent were removed for safekeeping and are soon to be repositioned on a Monument which is being funded by the Federal Government. Families of these ex-servicemen will be advised of the location of the "New home" and an Invitation extended to witness the unveiling. Mrs Doran has advised our Club of this information and she can be contacted for further details on 0468 390 270.

Rotarians Paolo and Patricia Giammarco report they attended a successful Rotary, NSW State Emergency Services Community Awards night, an event demonstrating the common community oriented aims of Rotary and State Emergency Services.

PROGRAM

2.9.2015 Strathfield Council/ Strathfield Rotary, Youth Achievement Award Strathfield Girls High School Literature Extension Reports

9.9.2015 Children's Medical Research, Dr.Tony Cesare

ROTARY HISTORY

Our 1.2 million-member organization started with the vision of one man—Paul P. Harris. The Chicago attorney formed one of the world's first service organizations, the Rotary Club of Chicago, on 23 February 1905 as a place where professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Rotary's name came from the group's early practice of rotating meetings among the offices of each member.

Our ongoing commitment

Rotarians have not only been present for major events in history - we've been a part of them. From the beginning, three key traits have remained strong throughout Rotary:

We're truly international. Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs on six continents. Today we're working together from around the globe both digitally and in-person to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.

We persevere in tough times. During WWII, Rotary clubs in Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, and Japan were forced to disband. Despite the risks, many continued to meet informally and following the war's end, Rotary members joined together to rebuild their clubs and their countries.

Our commitment to service is ongoing. We began our fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. By 2012, only three countries remain polio-endemic down from 125 in 1988.

Statistics

19.8	Members	21	Raffle	\$107.00
	Partners	0	Sergeant	\$91.35
	Guests	3	Community	15 hours
	LoA	9		
	Apology	8		
	No Apology	11		