



STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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



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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



Tonight's vintner Rhys Goodey describes himself as an ABBA tragic. That's ABBA**s**olutely

Perfect information, suggesting a grand way to

celebrate FORTY YEARS of Probus.

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- • Mamma Mia The Pinot Bianco
- • Chiquitta The Rose
- • Andante Andante The Merlot
- • When All is said and Done The French Red
- • Does your Mother Know? The Sweet White Bordeaux



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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE FORMATION OF TWO LOCAL PROBUS CLUBS

The name PROBUS is an amalgam of the words PROfessional and BUSiness and membership of the original clubs was based on such qualifications. Membership in current times is based on being "to anyone of good character who has had some measure of responsibility or achievement in any field of worthy Endeavour".

Following a suggestion from Strathfield Rotary, a meeting was held in November 1980 to determine if there was interest in forming a club in Strathfield. The meeting decided that a club should be formed and the Inaugural meeting, with eleven members present, was held in the small hall of St Anne's Church on Monday 8th December, 1980. The first guest speaker at the February 1981 meeting was Mr Bob Lawler, a friend of the President, who operated a logging company on Vancouver Island.

The Charter meeting of the Club was held in July 1981 at which the then President of the Rotary Club, Mr Brain Hennell, presented the Probus President, Mr Brian Cullen-Wood with his badge of office as a gift from Rotary. The adopted motto of the club was: "Grow old along with me, the best is yet to be" from Robert Browning's poem "Rabbi Ben Ezra".

During the 1980's it became necessary to establish a waiting list of men, desiring to join and as the waiting list grew consideration was given for the formation of a new club in the area. After agreement that this should be done, member George Hallworth left Strathfield Probus and formed South Strathfield Probus.

An operational change took place in October 2000 when the members, all male, voted for the club to become a combined club.



The ABBA story began in June 1966 when Bjorn Ulvaeus (Born 1945) met Benny Anderson (born (1946) for the first time. Bjorn was a member of the Hootenanny Singers, a very popular folk music group, while Benny played keyboards in Sweden's biggest pop group of the 1960's, the Hep Stars.

In the Spring of 1969, Bjorn and Benny met the two women who were to become not only their fiancées, but also the other half of ABBA. Agnetha Fältskog had been a successful solo singer since her first single in 1967.

Anni-Frid Lyngstad, of Norwegian origin, moved to Sweden at a very early age. They collaborated musically by contributing songs, some instrumental and vocal backing to the recordings they each made as solo or duo acts. In 1970, the attractive sound of their four voices combined gave them the idea to put together a cabaret act, Festfolk, which has the double meaning: "engaged couples" and "party people".

From 1972 nobody could have imagined that within a few years ABBA would evolve into a global phenomenon not heard since the Beatles.

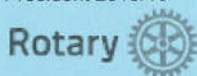
This Swedish group became one of the most commercially successful groups in the history of pop music, topping the

Charts worldwide from 1975 to 1982.

DECISION TAKE AT THE CLUB BOARD MEETING OF WEDNESDAY 16TH MARCH, 2016

- To accept the invitation of Breakfast Point Rotary to attend their ANZAC Day Dawn Service
- To disburse a further \$1000 to Lymphoma Australia for the sale of Guessing Competition tickets
- To contribute \$1000 to Touch n Go Rally Team for Cancer Council Fundraiser
- To support the Strathfield Chamber of Commerce Old Time Fair to be held 7th May
- To provide distribution support of the Bowelcare Kits allocated to local pharmacies
- To seek member support for the Probus/Rotary Celebration by the Club on March 23rd
- To follow-up applications from Secondary Schools for current RYPEN Program
- To note the decision of the Principal of Strathfield Girls' High School to hold the Literature Extension Program later in the year as normal and without Rotary connection
- To note the suggestion of the District Governor Nominee, Stephen Britten for the Club to support Breakfast Point Club (Sponsored a decade ago) in mounting the 2018_District 9675 Conference
- To provide ongoing consideration of all members for the increase Club membership
- To seek support of members to provide names of prospective Guest Speakers for meetings

Allan Petersen
Strathfield Rotary
President 2015/16



Program of Club meetings and events

Wednesday 23 March

FORTIETH YEAR CELEBRATION OF PROBUS CLUBS IN THE PACIFIC REGION

Strathfield Rotary Club sponsors three Probus Clubs and all three have been invited to join our Club members for a WINE TASTING at the Golf Club. Funds raised will be allocated for the Chalmers Road Special School. An invitation is extended to all members' partners to join the celebration

Wednesday 30 March

FORTY FIFTH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF STRATHFIELD ROTARY CLUB

An invitation is extended to all members' partners to join the celebration

Sunday 10 April

ESCAPE TO THE COUNTRY at Domenico and Johanna Alvaro's Bowra home

ANZAC DAY 2016 The 2016 Breakfast Point Community ANZAC DAY Dawn Service, will be held on the Breakfast Point Village Green. Full details will follow and we are encouraged to book the day for this new venue and association with our sponsored Rotary Club.

Statistics 16.3.2016 Members 15, Partners 0 Guests 2, LoA 6, Apologies 10
Raffle \$135.00, Sergeant \$78.40
