



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

President Petersen's Page

9 December 2015

Strathfield Rotary Club continues to be held in capable experienced hands following the results of the appointment of executive members at the Annual General Meeting held last Wednesday, December 2, at the Strathfield Golf Club

FOR THE 2015-2016 ROTARY YEAR :

PRESIDENT ELECT	PP STEPHEN TAYLOR
SECRETARY	PETER VAN DER SLEESSEN
TREASURER	PP ROD MC DOUGALL
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CLUB ACTIVITIES & COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR	BRADLEY AYRES
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COMMUNITY VOCATIONAL SERVICES DIRECTOR	RICK VOSILA
INTERNATIONAL SERVICES DIRECTOR	GULIAN VACCARI
NEW GENERATIONS DIRECTOR	DR USHA GARG
PRESIDENT NOMINEE FOR 2017-2018	TO BE ANNOUNCED

Note that this management team comprises previously serving officers in various positions, as well as several newer members to our ranks. Both the Secretary and Treasurer have agreed to serve for a third consecutive term.

Our best wishes are extended to these leaders as they serve and manage our Club.

ABOUT OUR CLUB

Welcome new member Andrew Aravanis

It was a particular pleasure for the President of the Club last week to induct a new member, Andrew Aravanis, to Rotary membership. Andrew, together with his wife Danielle, son Gregory and daughter Patrice attended our AGM and the formalities of Andrew's induction. Andrew manages Aravanis Insolvency, a Phillip Street firm in the city. He is a Trustee in Insolvency accountant holding a BEc. He is seated in the picture with his staff.



Andrew became interested in the workings of our Club through the recent Lymphoma Ball organisation, encouraged along the way by Rotarian Bradley Ayres, who acted as his sponsor. Their networking was managed through the Meriden school, which is attended by both their daughters. We welcome Andrew to our Club as we work together through community service.

Eastern Creek BBQ dates

Community Service Director, pp Peter Smith seeks our support to assist at the NSSCC BBQ's planned for 2016 on:

- Thursday December 17
 - Thursday January 21
 - Thursday February 18
 - Wednesday March 18
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BOOK THE DATE, WEDNESDAY MARCH 23, 2016



To celebrate **THE FORTIETH BIRTHDAY OF PROBUS AUSTRALIA**
and to acknowledge the three Probus clubs
with which our **STRATHFIELD ROTARY CLUB** is associated, we

are holding a
GRAND WINE TASTING at the
Strathfield Golf Club
for our members and visitors.

More details to follow in the new year.



All welcome.

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The Magic of Rotary District Conference 4th to 6th March 2016

West Diggers Nelson Bay

***GET READY FOR A GREAT WEEKEND OF FUN AND SURPRISES
Why not take an extra few day of even a week or two and have
a break away in beautiful Port Stephens***



A Group booking has been made in the name of the Strathfield Rotary Club for the nights of Friday March 5 and Saturday March 6, 2016. While the booking is for these two nights/days, members could arrange, on this booking deposit, for rooms to

their own preferences. Possibilities: 1 bedroom waterview, sleeps 2, \$185/night, 1 bedroom beachfront, sleeps 2, \$205/night, 2 bedrooms waterview, sleeps 4, \$305/night. Club members should deal directly with the resort, using the details shown. There are also a number of other

accommodation places available in the Nelson Bay area.
The District Conference registration fee is \$197/attendee



Snippets of Information

Thank you pupil crafted card from Homebush West Public School: “Thank you very much for supporting our Halloween Disco. We sure appreciate partnering with you on events like this to help build pupil community.”

Thank you from Mrs Sing, mother of Sunil, Fort Street High student “Thank you so much for having Sunil and the family at your meeting on December 2. I hope you enjoyed his speech and that it gave you an insight into the countless hours he has put in over the years volunteering, fundraising, organising charity events in and outside of school this year.”

Newly inducted Rotarians invited to a District Seminar Membership Familiarisation, February 25, 2016 at RDU Headquarters, Parramatta

Wanted. A Rotarian or partner who could order our dinner badge case holder to be labelled accurately in all the slots for members to identify weekly their dinner badges.

Anniversaries for December 2015, January 2016

<i>December 15 Birthday</i>	<i>John Leftwich</i>
<i>December 16 Wedding</i>	<i>Denise and Stephen Taylor</i>
<i>December 18 Rotary</i>	<i>Bradley Ayres</i>
<i>December 19 Birthday</i>	<i>Anne Wilson</i>
<i>December 24 Wedding</i>	<i>Guru and Pam Singh</i>
<i>December 30 Birthday</i>	<i>Catherine Hallworth</i>
<i>December 31 Birthday</i>	<i>Niall King</i>
<i>January 1 Birthday</i>	<i>Azza Brown</i>
<i>January 8 Birthday</i>	<i>Linda Isouard</i>
<i>January 10 Birthday</i>	<i>Marlene Smith</i>
<i>January 14 Wedding</i>	<i>Grahame and Penny True, Athena and Arie Pappa</i>
<i>January 16 Wedding</i>	<i>Daniel and Adria Bott</i>
<i>January 18 Birthday</i>	<i>Carol King</i>
<i>January 20 Rotary</i>	<i>Stephen Taylor</i>
<i>January 21 Rotary</i>	<i>Suzan Mutesi</i>
<i>January 30 Wedding</i>	<i>Peter and Anne Manenti , Paul and Patricia Giammarco</i>

Final issue of the Club newsletter for 2015

This issue completes the distribution of the Strathfield Rotary Club newsletter, also known to some as The Bulletin for 2015. Club members will next meet at the Strathfield Croquet Club for a twilight game on Wednesday January 20, 2016, to be followed by a Club Assembly on Wednesday January 27, 2016. The first issue of the newsletter for 2016 will be Wednesday, January 27, 2016.

Rotary Club of Strathfield, Excused Absences

There seems to be some misunderstanding amongst members concerning the previous **mention of a Leave of Absence provision as part of Club Membership.**

What was reported in last week's newsletter was a compilation of the Club Constitution, Article 9, Section 3 and the subsequent implementation of this article.

That is, a member will advise the Secretary in writing. This will be undertaken at least a fortnight before the first day of leave. This requirement has been overlooked in many cases . It should be assumed that all new applications for Leave of Absence will commence from January 1 2016

Strathfield Rotary Club members with long memories

It has been generally agreed that the Strathfield Park Carols Evening of last week, Saturday December 5 was the best attended by the public and Club members alike. There were more than fifty percent of our regular attenders present, together with partners.

Support from the following: Rotarian pp George and Catherine Hallworth
 Rotarian Bradley and Cheryl Ayres
 Rotarian Arie and Athena Pappas
 Rotarians Anuradha and Umesh Kamkolkar

Cooking Rotarians: PE Stephen Taylor
 PP Roger Vince
 PP Keith Stockall
 Rotarian Gulian Vaccari

Food serving Rotarians: PP Raymond McCluskie
 PP Rod McDougall
 PP Umesh Kamkolkar
 Rotarian Chris Virgona
 Rotarian Arie Pappas

Raffle Ticket Selling Rotarians: Catherine Hallworth
 Rotarian Anuradha Kamkolkar
 Rotarian Paul Giammarco
 Rotarian Chandra Banerjee
 Rotarian Usha Garg

Photographer Rotarian: Rotarian Bradley Ayres

A visit from newest Rotarian, Andrew, and son was welcome late in the evening. All this was possible because of the long established relationship that our Club has with the management of Strathfield Council, which is maintained and strengthened by the untiring support provided by our Club Service Director, pp Peter Smith. He liaises with the Council and the two sellers alongside our BBQ stand, the Coffee Man and the Glow Stick operator, to achieve a satisfying financial return for our nominated charity. This year we anticipate an estimated financial return of some \$2 000+. Once again, we will allocate these funds to the Moree (NSW) Salvation Army.

December 2015 Paris 'Climate Change' Conference

The latest on man-made global warming.

'The Arctic Ocean is warming up, icebergs are growing scarcer and in some places seals are finding the water too hot, according to a report to the US Commerce Department yesterday from the Consulate in Bergen, Norway.

Reports from fishermen, seal hunters and explorers all point to a radical change in Climate conditions and hitherto unheard of temperatures in the Arctic Zone.

Exploration expeditions report that scarcely any ice has been found as far north as 81degrees 29 minutes. Soundings to a depth of 3100 metres showed the Gulf Stream is still very warm. Great masses of ice have been replaced by moraines of earth and stone, as the report continued, while at many points well known glaciers have entirely disappeared. Very few seals and no fish are found in the Eastern Arctic, while vast shoals of herrings and smelts which have never before ventured so far north are being encountered in the old seal fishing grounds.

Within a few years it is predicted that due to the ice melt, the sea will rise and make most coastal cities uninhabitable.

I should have mentioned earlier that this report was from "The Washington Post" November 2, 1922. Must have been caused by the Model "T" Ford emissions. pres

***Statistics 2.12.2015 Members 24 Partners 1 Guests 3 LoA 4 Apologies 8
No Apology 13 Raffle \$170.00 Sergeant \$ 104.45***

For your diary

- December 9: Club Christmas Party to include live music and festivities for members and their partners.
- December 16: From 6.30pm Children's and Grandchildrens' Christmas Party held at the Golf Club and ably managed by Rotarian Connie Galletta
- December 17 : NSSCC Barbecue at Eastern Creek, Thursday in one week
- January 20 Croquet
- January 27 Club Assembly
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**We would love you
to come to our**

Christmas Party



Be a gift to the world



Childrens' Christmas Party NEXT WEEK

- **Party Food and Drink**
- **Fun and Games**
- **Competitions**
- **Visit from Father Christmas**

