



Strathfield Rotary Bulletin

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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

Month of Nov	Rotary	Rotary Foundation Month
	Australia	ALPHA-1 Awareness Month
	Australia	Lung Health Awareness Month
Weeks of Nov	Australia	Pollinator Week (12 th – 19 th Nov)
	Australia	Antibiotic Awareness Week (13 th – 19 th Nov)
	Australia	National Recycling Week (13th – 19th Nov)
	Australia	National Skin Cancer Action Week (19 th – 25 th Nov)
Days of Nov Global		International GIS Day (15 th Nov)
	Global	World Pancreatic Cancer Day (16th Nov)
	United Nations	International Day for Tolerance (16th Nov)
	United Nations	World Philosophy Day (16 th Nov)
	United Nations World Toilet Day (19th Nov)	
	United Nations	World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (19 th Nov)
	United Nations	Africa Industrialization Day (20th Nov)
	United Nations	Universal Children's Day (20th Nov)
	United Nations	World Television Day (21st Nov)
	Global	World Fisheries Day (21st Nov)

President's Report

Previous Week's Speaker

Well, another fabulous evening was had last week, with our highly anticipated and very entertaining speaker – George Ayoub – former Test Rugby Referee, current member of the Super Rugby panel for Television Match Officials (TMO's), and Director of Sport at Santa Sabina College, Strathfield. A large group of guests joined us, largely due to the

efforts of both PP Joseph and RTN Arie. Thanks to you both, collectively bringing some 20 guests along on the night!

And, they weren't disappointed; George has us all mesmerised with his tales of Rugby, Ref'ing and Rules interpretation around the globe, including being at the forefront of the TMO introduction. Great vibe in the

room. We finished quite late again (sorry...), but no-one seemed to mind so much this time (whew!).

Meeting Chair This Week

So, you've probably figured this out by now, but I'm not here this week; iust some work-related commitments. I think it's actually a good thing, giving others a chance to chair the meeting every now and This week it will be RTN then. Prabhat. although it doesn't necessarily have to be a Director each time I'm not available. Stay alert! I may tap any one of you on the shoulder at any time, asking you to chair a future meeting. I thought it might be nice for Prabhat to chair this meeting, as his daughter – Pallavi – is our guest speaker tonight.

Next Few Weeks

We have a hectic few week's coming up as we sprint to the end of the calendar year:

- 1. 22nd November 2017: Pride of Workmanship. Next week! This is one of our signature events, expertly organised by RTN Usha (and assisted by Director Paolo). Please come along and support our local, largely unsung heroes on the night.
- 2. 27nd November 2017: WHG Interclub Debate, hosted by Burwood Nick has RTN representing us in the lead-up to this. and it looks like he will be our debater on the night! Always good to have someone with legal training take up that spot. Again, this should be a fun night – especially with the topic "Women are Better Drivers" and Nick in the team that's arguing in the negative. Good luck, Nick!

Remember, this is a Transfer Meeting from 29 November 2017; don't turn up at the Golf Club on that evening.

3. 6th December 2017: AGM and Elections: Always a very important evening, to set the scene and direction for the upcoming Rotary year. Come along and be a part of our future.

Christmas Party for Members

And, the week right after our AGM – 13 December 2017 – we have our Christmas Party for Members. PP Grahame has kindly agreed to coordinate the event this year, ably supported by partners of Members: Penny True, Maree McDougall, Helen Hamilton-Kane and Christine Vosila (guess who's probably doing all the work!). Details are being finalised now, including venue. Stay tuned for more updates. This should be a great celebration to cap off the calendar year.

This Week's Speaker

This week we welcome back to our Club, Pallavi Sinha. Pallavi is the daughter of proud parents, RTN Prabhat and his wife, Neena. Pallavi is an accomplished lawyer, academic and public speaker, often appearing on TV programs, such as the 7:30 Report. Tonight she will be speaking on the topic of "Education and Resilience in the 21st Century". This promises to be another thought-provoking speech; I'm sure you will all enjoy it.

See you next week at the Pride of Workmanship Awards.

Rick

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Last Week's Speaker: George Ayoub

No speaker report received ⊗



Born in Sydney, Ayoub trained as a teacher and took up refereeing in 1990 when he was a schoolmaster at St Patrick's College, Strathfield.

George is currently Director of Sport Santa Sabina College.

George is an Australian professional rugby union referee. He is currently a member of the Super Rugby panel for Television Match Officials (known as TMO), and is a former Test Match referee.

This Week's Speaker: Pallaví Sínha

There is no doubt that our members very accomplished some offspring. Next week's speaker will be Pallavi Sinha. Pallavi, an alumnus of Sydney University, currently works as Principal with Lawvers Solutions. She is also Academic/Lecturer with Macquarie University Law School & Western Sydney University Law School.

In these roles, Pallavi has delivered innovative education programs in areas such as Alternative Dispute Resolution, Administrative Law,

Resilience & Domestic or Family violence. The topic of her speech will outline the importance of education in such areas and how they may be applied in the curriculums at school, university & other modes of education.

Pallavi is on the AFR & Westpac 100 Women of Influence award winner list 2016 and a recent Finalist for a Women's Leadership award. She is also an award winner for Excellence in Law, Journalism & Community Services.

Next Week's event: Pride of Work

One of our 'big three' (alongside Police Officer of the Year and Youth Awards), Pride of Work is a longstanding and highly successful night for our Club. Again we will recognise those individuals in the community who embody the ideals of excelling in their chosen career.



${\cal D}$ ates for the Calendar

Rotary Events			
Day/Date	Event/speaker	To introduce	To thank + Speaker write-up
Wed 15th Nov 2017	Education and resilience in the 21 Century Pallavi Sinha	Rod McDougall	Charles Pitt
Wed 22th Nov 2017	Pride of Work	-	-
Mon 20th Nov 2017	Rotary Foundation Dinner Blacktown Workers Club,	-	-
Mon 27th Nov 2017	Western Harbour Interclub Debate "Women are better drivers"	-	-
Wed 29th Nov 2017	Transfer meeting to Mon 27 th Nov	-	-
Wed 6th Dec 2017	AGM and elections	-	-
Sat 9th Dec 2017	Strathfield Carols in the Park	-	-
Wed 13th Dec 2017	Adult's Xmas Party	-	-
Wed 20th Dec 2017	Potential Children's Xmas Party	-	-

Birthdays			
18 th November	Devi Bala		
18 th November	Umesh Kamkolkar		

Anniversaries		
20 th November	George and Catherine Hallworth (wedding)	

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ROTARY PARTNERS

In many Rotary clubs throughout the world, wives of male members are affectionately called "Rotary Anns". This designation was never one of disparagement, but rather grew out of an interesting historical occasion.

The year was 1914 when San Francisco Rotarians boarded a special train to attend the Rotary convention being held in Houston. In those days few wives attended Rotary events, and until the train stopped in Los Angeles, the only woman aboard was the wife of Rotarian Bru Brunnier.

As the train picked up additional convention-bound delegates, Mrs. Ann Brunnier was introduced as the Rotarian's Ann. This title soon became "Rotary Ann."

Since the clubs of the West were inviting the Rotarians to hold their next convention in San Francisco, a number of songs and stunts were organised which would be performed in Houston. One of the Rotarians wrote a "Rotary Ann" chant.

On the train's arrival at the Houston depot, a delegation greeted the West Coast Rotarians. One of the greeters

was Guy Gundaker of Philadelphia, whose wife was also named Ann. During the rousing demonstration, someone started the Rotary Ann chant. The two petite ladies, Ann Brunnier and Ann Gundaker, were hoisted to the men's shoulders and paraded about the hall.

The group loved the title given to the two women named Ann. Immediately the same term of endearment was used for all of the wives in attendance, and the name "Rotary Ann" was here to stay.

Guy Gundaker became president of Rotary International in 1923 and Bru Brunnier was elected president in 1952. Thus, each of the two original Rotary Anns became the "first ladies of Rotary International."

Very few clubs have Rotary Anns, but many have Partners organizations; some are still called "Inner Wheel."

The word Rotary Ann can be heard on a rare occasion, and now you know where it came from.

David Croft



The Statistics

Attendance last week	16	
Leave of absence	3	
Apologies	8	
No apology	11	
Club membership	38	
Partners & Guests	20	
Members Rotary activities	Week ending 08-11-17: 72 [hours]	

Funds raised			
Raffle	\$425 (awaiting confirmation)		
Sergeants session	\$150 (awaiting confirmation)		

Your Committee 2017-2018

President	Rick Vosila	Secretary	Rod McDougall
President Elect	tba	Sergeant	Anuradha Kamkolkar
Immediate Past President	Stephen Taylor	Treasurer	Charles Pitt
Youth	Arie Pappas	Community	Andrew Aravanis
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