



ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE

Rotary Club of Strathfield



STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

DISTRICT 9675

6th December-2017

www.strathfieldrotary.org.au

info@strathfieldrotary.org.au

<https://www.facebook.com/strathfieldrotary>

Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

Month of Dec	Rotary	Disease Prevention and Treatment Month
	Australia	Decembeard – Bowel Cancer Australia
Weeks of Dec	-	-
Days of Dec	Rotary	Early registration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention (3 rd Dec)
	United Nations	International Day of People with Disability (3 rd Dec)
	United Nations	International Volunteer Day (5 th Dec)
	United Nations	World Soil Day (5 th Dec)
	United Nations	International Civil Aviation Day (7 th Dec)
	United Nations	International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime (9 th Dec)
	United Nations	International anti-corruption Day (9 th Dec)
	United Nations	Human Rights Day (10 th Dec)
	United Nations	International Mountain Day (11 th Dec)
	United Nations	International Day of Neutrality (12 th Dec)

President's Report

Last Couple of Weeks

Two weeks ago we hosted what was described by Nancy Sherry (wife of Ray Sherry, of the Ray Sherry Shield we present on the night) as the best Pride of Workmanship Awards evening she had experience since its inception, some 17 years ago. Well done to all that had a hand in making the night such a success, especially the Chair of the program, RTN Usha – great job! There was a lot of good feeling in the room; it was packed and

everyone seemed in a really good mood. A great night.

Last week we had a transfer meeting to Burwood Rotary on the Monday evening for The Great Debate. The topic was “Women are better drivers than men”, and our very own greater-debater – RTN Nick Hamilton-Kane was second speaker for the opposing team – a tough gig – especially with his wife, Helen in the audience! Nick’s argument was full of passion,

expression and animation, as he expertly built the case for the opposition. As was to be expected however, this was a very difficult argument to fully prosecute, with the affirmative team ultimately winning the very entertaining discussion, by just one point. Thanks Nick, for jumping in and having a go – very entertaining! And also thanks to all the Strathfield Rotarians that came along on the night to support Nick, and his team. It was remarked by the President of Burwood Rotary that it was indeed the Strathfield Rotarians that brought energy, fun and atmosphere to the room. We were by far the biggest Club representation, beating even the host Club's numbers. So... thanks again, it was a very entertaining and fun affair.

RI Presidential Peace Building Conference

A reminder to all Club members that the RI Presidential Peacebuilding Conference will be held on 17th March 2018 at Town Hall, Sydney. It's a world-class event, with RI President Ian Riseley and numerous global leaders in their fields, including Nobel Laureates and Peace Scholars in attendance. There will be an Exhibit Hall (similar to the House of Friendship at RI Conventions)

You will soon receive an email from Secretary Rod with registration details included. If interested, early registration (saving \$55) ends on 13 December 2017. Don't delay!

Christmas Party Next Week

OK, who has ever been to a Christmas Party that I have been a 'party' to, in arranging? No-one? Well... you may want to come along and experience something just a little bit different, inspired by some European culture; you won't want to miss this one! It's next Wednesday evening at Dolcissimo Italian Restaurant, Corner Ramsay & Dalhousie Streets, Haberfield. One final chance to get your name on the Commitment Sheet tonight; don't miss out! This one could be talked about for a while.

AGM Tonight

So here we are, at half-time in this Rotary year, and just before the team heads for the change rooms for the half-time pep-talk, we have the very important task to do – set the leadership for the next Rotary year. Let's show some great support for our PE Charles Pitt and his team that will be elected tonight.

Merry Christmas

As this is our final Bulletin for the year, may I take the opportunity to wish you all and your families a very Merry Christmas this festive season. Stay safe, stay healthy, and I look forward to working with you all again for the second half of this Rotary term. All the best.

Rick



Previous Week's Event: Pride of work

On Wednesday 22 November the Rotary Club of Strathfield acknowledged outstanding employees who take pride in their work. Each employer who nominated their employee read a citation and

President Rick presented the employee with a plaque in recognition of their achievement and commitment in all aspects of work performance.



Awardees: Left to right - Karen Tzapu, Chalmers Road School; Grace Phillips El Taurus Hairdressers; Kerry Ray, Homebush Boys High School; Dory Younes Cosgrove Smash Repairs; Renea McLachlan, Strathfield Council Library; David Prasad, Strathfield Council; Shival Salgaonkar, Southend Tennis Centre; Colin Quigley, Peter Meyer Blinds; Marina D'Agruma, Strathfield Football Club; Peter Kerr, Strathfield South High School; Mark Reeve, Strathfield Golf Club; Anthony D'Agruma, Strathfield Football Club; President Rick Vosila; Ana Ross, Crossways Hotel; Phillip Caldwell, Meriden School; Mervat Bolbol, Homebush Boys High School



Ray Sherry Award Winner, Colin Quigley, with Nancy Sherry

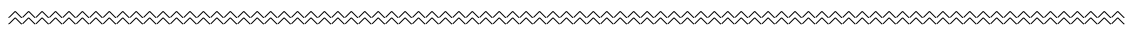


Last Week's Event:

Western Harbour Interclub Debate

The topic that “Women better drivers” was hotly debated by Rotarians from Burwood, Granville Drummoyne and Strathfield. Held at

the Burwood RSL, we were capably represented by RTN Nick Hamilton-Kane.



This Week's event: AGM

Our club's annual general meeting for 2017 will be held tonight, Wednesday 6.12.17 at Strathfield Golf Club. It will follow the normal club meeting, which will end earlier than usual.

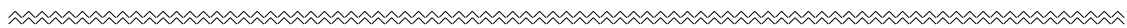
The meeting will be chaired by PDG David Croft.

New members of the 2018-19 board will be elected at the meeting and

nominations are now being called for the following positions:

- * President-elect / vice-president (will assume the position of president 1 July 2019)
- * Directors (five positions)
- * Secretary
- * Treasurer.

President Rick will serve on the 2018-19 board as the immediate past president.



Next Week's event: Adults Christmas Party

The hardworking team of Helen Hamilton-Kane, Maree McDougall, Penny True, Christine Vosila, and Grahame True, have organised a great venue and night for this year's adult Christmas party.

If, like the Bulletin Editor, you have not advised your attendance, please do so by contacting Grahame True at gtrue@tpg.com.au.

Looking forward to a great night!





Dates for the Calendar

<i>Rotary Events</i>			
<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Event/speaker</i>	<i>To introduce</i>	<i>To thank + Speaker write-up</i>
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 17th Jan 2018	Croquet and BBQ night	-	-
Wed 24th Jan 2018	First meeting for 2018	-	-

<i>Birthdays</i>	
2 nd December	Arie Pappas
3 rd December	Roger Vince
3 rd December	Toni Virgona
4 th December	Neena Sinha

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
1 st December	Edmund Brown (Rotary)
1 st December	Paolo Giammarco (Rotary)
1 st December	Peter Manenti (Rotary)
1 st December	Keith Byrn (Rotary)
7 th December	Prabhat and Neena Sinha (wedding)
8 th December	Rod and Maree McDougall (wedding)



Do You Know?

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP

"Honorary" is one of the two types of membership a person may have in a Rotary club.

This type of membership is the highest distinction a Rotary club can confer and is exercised only in exceptional cases to recognise an individual for unusual service and contributions to Rotary and society.

Honorary members cannot propose new members to the club, do not hold office and are exempt from attendance requirements and club dues.

Many distinguished heads of state, explorers, authors, musicians, astronauts and other public personalities have been honorary members of Rotary clubs, including

King Gustaf of Sweden, King George VI of England, King Badouin of Belgium, King Hassan III of Morocco, Sir Winston Churchill, humanitarian Albert Schweitzer, Charles Lindbergh, composer Jean Sibelius, explorer Sir Edmund Hillary, Thor Heyerdahl, Thomas Edison, Walt Disney, Bob Hope, Dr. Albert Sabin, British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and many of the presidents of the United States.

Truly, those selected for honorary membership are those who have done much to further the ideals of Rotary.

David Croft



The Statistics

Attendance last week	-
Leave of absence	-
Apologies	-
No apology	-
Club membership	38
Partners & Guests	-
Members Rotary activities	Week ending 15-11-17: 24 [hours]

<i>Funds raised</i>	
Raffle	\$-
Sergeants session	\$-

Your Committee 2017-2018

President	Rick Vosila	Secretary	Rod McDougall
President Elect	Charles Pitt	Sergeant	Anuradha Kamkolkar
Immediate Past President	Stephen Taylor	Treasurer	Charles Pitt
Youth	Arie Pappas	Community	Andrew Aravanis
International	Prabhat Sinha	Vocational	Paolo Giammarco
		Club Services	Bradley Ayres

Bulletin Editor	Bradley Ayres	Web master & Facebook	Raymond McCluskie
Bulletin Printer	Selectprint	Apologies	Gulian Vaccari



Save the Date

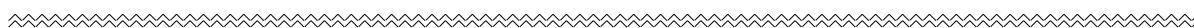
Strathfield Rotary

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wednesday 13 December 2017
6:30 for 7:00 pm
Local venue - to be advised

Committee
 Grahame True (chair)
 Helen Hamilton-Kane
 Maree McDougall
 Penny True
 Christine Vosila

Format: Cocktail party
Dress: Festive - it's a party!



Out and About: Citizenship Awards

Friday 1st December 2017

At the Chalmers Road School award ceremony Past President Rod McDougall had the honour to present the Strathfield Rotary citizenship award to Ashhad Malik. Our Club organises these awards for every Primary and High School in our area, and is a fantastic initiative.

