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# Rotary Club of Strathfield



## STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

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### *Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes*

Month of August	Rotary	Membership and New Club Development Month
Weeks of August	Australia	Dental Health Week (6th August – 12th August)
	Australia	National EOS Awareness Week (6th August – 12th August)
	Australia	Haemochromatosis Awareness Week (7th August – 13th August)
	United Nations	World Space Week (4th – 10th August)
Days of August	United Nations	International Day of the World's Indigenous People (9th August)
	United Nations	International Youth Day (12th August)



## *President's Report*

### **Golf Club Developments**

What an exciting time for Strathfield Golf Club, and its members! Neil Hardy, General Manager of Strathfield Golf Club gave us a wonderful presentation on the course and clubhouse developments. The journey to this point has been one of Hollywood script proportions! Neil did (several times) mention the SIGNIFICANT contribution our very own IPP Stephen Taylor made in positioning the club to reap the ultimate \$52.5 million price tag the Club sold that relatively small parcel of land for these residential developments. It truly saved the (then almost broke) club from oblivion. What a great story. Now we

have before us a new clubhouse in development that we will occupy next April, that I think I will now refer to as StrathVegas! And the new 'Rotary Room' will house up to 300 members and guests, Gulian!

### **RESCA Night**

On Friday night, a number Strathfield Rotarians, partners and friends attended the annual RESCA night, this time at Bankstown Sports Club. Now that place is truly a BanksVegas! With some 400 people in the room, including the Governor of NSW (now get this as a title) – His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC, DSC. Wow, what a mouthful, and

this was repeated several times during the night as various speakers took to the microphone.

Anyway, congratulations to Daniel Hatton from Bulli Fire and Rescue for being awarded the most outstanding paid emergency service worker, and congratulations to Timothy Lidden from Wagga Wagga Volunteer Rescue Association for being awarded the most outstanding volunteer emergency worker. Every one of the finalists were amazing with what they are achieving. The proceeds from the evening are going to send a Vocational Training Team to Vanuatu to help the emergency services there deal with natural disasters. We wish team leader Ian Johnson and his team every success. An Australian Rotary Health PhD Scholarship is also being funded to research Post Traumatic Stress Disorder in emergency service personnel.

Many thanks to Paolo for arranging the Strathfield Rotary contingent; some 15 members and guests in total. Wait till you see some of the photos from the night taken by Sylvia Alafaci of the Five Dock club. Will be fun.

### **Board Meeting Next Week**

Just a reminder to all club members (and Board Members!) we have our August Board Meeting scheduled for next week – Tuesday, 15th August 2017, at The Crossways Hotel in the ‘Rotary Room’ of that fine establishment, from 6:30pm for 7:00pm. All are welcome! There is plenty of fellowship both before and after the meeting. We’ll be having dinner before/at the beginning of the meeting, and the first 30-minutes (Agenda Item #1) will be a visit from

Board and Staff from the Catherine Sullivan Centre. We will together discuss with us how we may be able to partner with them to raise funds to develop their Sound, Sense and Song phonetic awareness program, for development of literacy skills in the hearing impaired children they work with.

Another reason you may want to attend is that on the agenda will also be a topic to discuss further ‘meeting evolution’ and club modernisation ideas to bring back to the membership for comment. We’d be happy to hear your ideas.

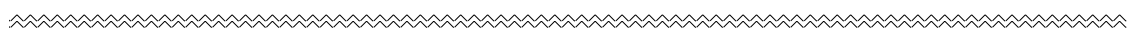
### **Rick’s Run for Rotary**

Only 11 days to go before the big run! Last week we distributed an email template you may be able to use to send to your friends, colleagues and family to garner support for ARH and their amazing work, via a sponsorship of my run. Please spread the word and let’s reach that target. Thanks to you all for your support to-date!

### **Tonight’ Speaker**

Tonight we welcome back to the club, Michelle Davies, Principal of Chalmers Road School. Michelle will be giving us an update on what’s happening at the school, and as one of our named service project recipients for this Rotary year, how we may be able to support the school with its most needed facilities. We look forward to a productive discussion with Michelle on this topic.

*Rick*



## *Last Week's Guest Speaker: Neil Hardy*

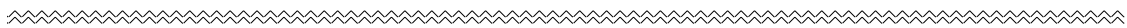
There is no speaker report this week.

However, the photo below is of Neil Hardy, flanked by President Rick Vosila on the right and Stephen Taylor on the left.

For those wanting updates on the work, they can be found at Vimeo. Just go to:

<https://vimeo.com/user54631859>

It was patently clear from Neil's talk that the ongoing existence of the Golf Club was the result of Stephen's imaginative and hard work.



## *This Week's Speaker: Michelle Davies*



Michelle is the recently installed Principal of Chalmers Road School. As outlined by President Rick, Chalmers Road is one of the

main groups that our Club will be supporting this year. Michelle will brief us on the great work the school does catering to children with special needs.



## Next Week's Speaker: Nora Duane

Nora has been a member of the Rotary Club of Drummoyne since April 2016.

Next week, Nora will tell us about her Rotary story.

Nora has spent a number of years working in the Aged Care area, both as a nurse and eventually co-proprietor of several homes in Melbourne.



## 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 9 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017	Chalmers Road School <b>Principal Michelle Davies</b>	Usha Garg	David Croft
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017	"My Rotary Story" <b>Nora Duane</b>	Ed Dunlop	Allan Teale
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup> Aug 2017	Hi Speed Rail <b>John Elvy &amp; Paolo Giammarco</b>	David Croft	Grahame True
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2017	Hitting the snooze button - is not an option <b>Milind Kamkolkar</b>	Umesh Kamkolkar	Tba
<b>Tues</b> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2017	Ryde College of TAFE training Restaurant	-	-
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2017	Interact Meriden <b>Gillian Legge and 4 students</b>	Roger Vince	Arie Pappas

<i>Birthdays</i>	
13 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	Christine Haseldine
14 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	George Hallworth
15 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	Gulian Vaccari

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
-	none



## *Do You Know? Celebrities and Projects*

### **SERVICE ABOVE SELF**

The first motto of Rotary International, "He Profits Most Who Serves Best," was approved at the second Rotary Convention, held in Portland, Oregon, in August 1911. The phrase was first stated by a Chicago Rotarian, Art Sheldon, who made a speech in 1910 which included the remark, "He profits most who serves his fellows best."

At about the same time, Ben Collins, president of the Rotary Club of Minneapolis, Minnesota, commented that the proper way to organise a Rotary club was through the principle his club had adopted - "Service, Not Self."

These two slogans, slightly modified, were formally approved to be the official mottoes of Rotary at the 1950 Convention in Detroit - "He Profits Most Who Serves Best" and "Service Above Self."

The 1989 Council on Legislation established "Service Above Self" as the principal motto of Rotary, since it best explains the philosophy of unselfish volunteer service.

*David Croft*



## *The Statistics*

Attendance last week	18
Leave of absence	4
Apologies	6
No apology	6
Club membership	<b>34</b>
Partners	0
Guests	5
Members Rotary activities	Week ending 2-8-17: <b>21</b> [hours]

### *Funds raised at Changeover*

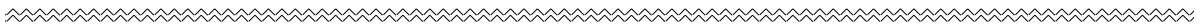
Raffle	\$195.00
Sergeants session	\$66.50



## *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
International	Prabhat Sinha	Vocational	Paolo Giammarco
		Club Services	Bradley Ayres

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New Strathfield Golf Club under construction – August 1, 2017



Metro townhouses under construction – June 16, 2017

