



STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

DISTRICT 9675
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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Month of July</i>		
-	Rotary	Start of New Rotary Year
<i>Weeks of July</i>		
7th-14th July	Aust	National NAIDOC Week
<i>Days of July</i>		
11th July	UN	World Population Day
15th July	UN	World Youth Skills Day

From the Acting President

Firstly, welcome to the new Rotary year. The International Rotary theme is "Supporting our Community".

Welcome to Jan Barrett to your first meeting as a Rotarian.

Sergeant Andrew Aravanis did a splendid job for his first week in the Sergeant's role.

Assistant Governor and Past President Rick Vosila along with Immediate Past President Charles Pitt attended the District Changeover and provided a brief overview.

Past President Charles Pitt announced that one of his last duties as President was to write to Jodi McKay offering congratulations on her political success on behalf of Strathfield Rotary Club.

Remembering, of course, that Jodi is an Honorary Rotarian with this Club.

PP Charles Pitt presented PP Raymond McCluskie with a cheque for the Strathfield School for Seniors. The money will pay for computer licencing.

At last, the Rotary Club has now a dedicated storage room for the many, many items that are part of our history and those items that are used weekly. Thank you Paolo Giammarco for your efforts in negotiating this with the Strathfield Golf Club. We await the keys!

Rotarian Paolo Giammarco (and past Club Service Director) gave a brief overview of the meetings and progress made with the RWHESCA Awards process for the current year.

RWHESCA stands for Rotary Western Harbour Emergency Services Community Awards. The 2019 Awards Dinner will be held on 2nd August. The following service areas – Fire and Rescue, Marine Rescue, Ambulance Service, Rural Fire Services, State Emergency Services and the Volunteer Rescue Association are included in these awards.

PP Rick Vosila, Andrew Aravanis and PP Peter Smith attended the Trivia evening for the Chalmers Road Special School held recently. A considerable sum was raised. One of the next major projects for the school is to have a covered shelter constructed for the students.

The scheduled guest speaker was unavailable due to illness so Acting Chair Janelle stepped in and provided a glimpse of her life from a young child, with a farming background, to ballroom dancing to study and work life. Janelle shared photos of the many happy times with Rotary family. These created interest with the group and shared memories.

Thank you for the opportunity to Chair the meeting!

Janelle

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*Last week's speaker: Janelle Watson*

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This week's event: Fellowship night

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*Next week's speaker: Adam Scougall*

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Reports from Directors

From Wednesday 03-07-19
None

Both were members of our club for several decades.

Via email 01-07-19

Rod McDougall

With some disappointment, I advise that Richard Horwood and Guru Singh have resigned from Rotary, effective 30 June 2019.

Especially during their early association with the club, both were very active members, and both have been named Paul Harris Fellows.

More recently, their personal and family commitments have seen some

reduction in their involvement with Rotary.

Please join me in recognising their service to Rotary, and to our club, over a considerable period - and in thanking them for their contribution.

I know many of you will wish to make personal contact with them.

I am sure we will continue to see them as visitors to our club from time to time.

Via email 05-07-19

Dimitry Palmer

Advised of the following items from District:

1. This year's district changeover has the following clubs as award winners:
 - Club of the Year: Rotary Club of Caringbah
 - Public Relations and Marketing: Rotary Club of Wollongong
 - Vocational Service: Rotary Club of Sydney Darling Harbour

- Best Youth Project: Rotary Club of Wollondilly North
- Best Local Project: Rotary Club of Liverpool West
- Best International Project: Rotary Club of Kogarah

2. The Mark Maloney TriDistrict Dinner will be held on Monday night 23rd September 2019 at The Deckhouse, Woolwich. Tickets are \$70pp for a two-course meal. Bookings can be made at:

<https://www.trybooking.com/523543>

3. Five Dock Rotary Club is organising the Ferragusto Ball on Friday night 9th August, 6.30 for 7PM, at Aqua Luna Waterfront Dining in Drummoyne. Tickets are \$150pp and are available through Trybooking:

<https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=522807&>

Reports from members

From Wednesday 03-07-19

None

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 10th July 2019	Fellowship Meeting	-	-

Wed 17th July 2019	Tips to Improve your Home Inside Out Adam Scougall	Paul Anton	Farrukh Mirza
Wed 24th July 2019	Creativity in Business to Stand Out Adam Monaghan	Chris Virgona	Paolo Giammarco
Wed 31st July 2019	Club Assembly	-	-
Wed 7th Aug 2019	Sales Results in 90 days Rashid Kotwal	tba	Chris Haseldine

No birthdays or anniversaries this week

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## The Statistics

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance last meeting (03-07-19) | 20        |
| Leave of absence                   | 4         |
| Other absence                      | 4         |
| Apologies                          | 7         |
| Late apology                       | 0         |
| No apology                         | 10        |
| Club membership                    | <b>45</b> |
| Make-ups advised                   | 0         |
| Partners                           | 0         |
| Guests                             | 0         |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Raffle              | \$175.00 |
| Sergeants session   | \$100.95 |

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Your Committee 2019-2020

President	Arie Pappas	Secretary	Dimity Palmer
President Elect	tba	Sergeant	Andrew Aravanis
Immediate Past President	Charles Pitt	Treasurer	Rod McDougall
Youth	Peter Smith	Community	Usha Garg
International	Thaya Ponniah	Vocational	Paul Anton
Public Officer	Rod McDougall	Club Service	Rick Vosila

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

Guest Speaker Roster

Date	Introducer	Thanker/Write-up
Wed, 10 Jul 19	Peter van der Sleesen	Grahame True
Wed, 17 Jul 19	Paul Anton	Farrukh Mirza
Wed, 24 Jul 19	Chris Virgona	Paolo Giammarco
Wed, 31 Jul 19	Club Assembly	
Wed, 7 Aug 19	tba	Chris Haseldine
Wed, 14 Aug 19	John-Paul Baladi	Nick Nicolaou
Wed, 21 Aug 19	Peter Smith	tba
Wed, 28 Aug 19	Rick Vosila	Roy Ellis
Wed, 4 Sep 19	Bradley Ayres	Allan Teale
Wed, 11 Sep 19	Marvin Manrique-Velasquez	Guru Singh
Wed, 18 Sep 19	Charles Pitt	Mathew Elias
Wed, 25 Sep 19	Thaya Ponniah	Keith Byrn
Wed, 2 Oct 19	Peter Manenti	Bradley Ayres
Wed, 9 Oct 19	Nick Nicolaou	Raymond McCluskie
Wed, 16 Oct 19	William Carney	Ed Dunlop
Wed, 23 Oct 19	Janelle Watson	Roger Vince
Wed, 30 Oct 19	Allan Teale	Domenico Alvaro
Wed, 6 Nov 19	Rod McDougall	David Croft
Wed, 13 Nov 19	David Croft	Marvin Manrique-Velasquez
Wed, 20 Nov 19	Joseph Saad	Grahame True
Wed, 27 Nov 19	Peter van der Sleesen	Nick Hamilton-Kane
Wed, 4 Dec 19	Annual General Meeting	
Wed, 11 Dec 19	Jaya Challa	Rick Vosila

Out and About: Musical Connections

The Strathfield Symphony Orchestra is celebrating 50 years of music in the local community. The Rotary Club of Strathfield has a proud association with the Orchestra.

Some of the proceeds of the Rotary Club of Strathfield Christmas stocking in 1977 were used to purchase a grand piano for the Strathfield Symphony Orchestra. [Refer article on next page]. That Rotary year our PP Roger Vince was Secretary.

At a recital on the weekend the Strathfield Symphony Orchestra presented "The Romantics". Our Rotarian Mayor Councilor Gulian Vaccari was present and also seen were PP Raymond McCluskie and Ann.

By Raymond McCluskie

New piano for the Town Hall

A new piano has been installed in Strathfield Town Hall to the great delight of the Strathfield Symphony Orchestra .

The idea of a new piano was first raised some months ago by members of Strathfield Rotary Club.

After consultation with Strathfield Youth Orchestra, the club raised \$2000 towards the cost of a piano suitable for recitals.

Rotary donated this money to Strathfield Council

on the understanding that council provide the balance.

Council originally chose a Kawai 3 grand piano, but agreed with Strathfield Symphony Orchestra that this was too light in the lower registers to withstand the sound of a full orchestra.

A quick consultation was held and the orchestra decided to provide the extra funds necessary for a larger piano.

The Kawai 5 will be used for the first time on March 17, when Christine Edwards will play a solo at a concert for senior citizens.

There are hopes, too, that the piano will feature prominently in the orchestra's 10th anniversary concert in April.

"The Kawai 5 has a beautiful full tone which will rise above the orchestra and give complete satisfaction to any artist," says musical director, Miss Emily Finn.



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