



# STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

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

<i>Month of February</i>		
-	Rotary	Peacebuilding and Conflict Prevention Month
<i>Weeks of February</i>		
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<i>Days of February</i>		
13th Feb	Aust	National Apology Day
13th Feb	UN	World Radio Day

### *From the President*

Nothing for this week.

### *Last week's Speakers: RYLArrians:*

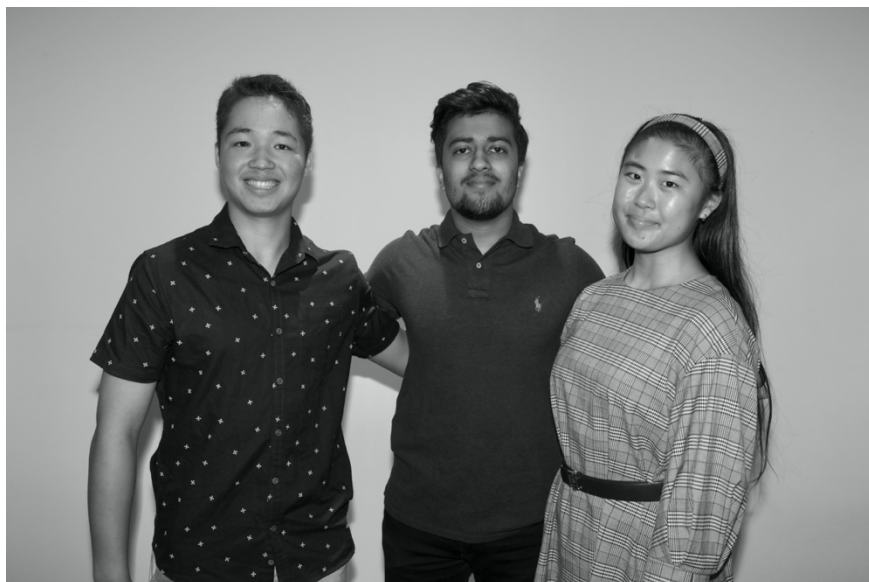
#### *Amaan, James and Skye*

At our meeting last week we were delighted to welcome the three attendees of this year's RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) programme who were sponsored by our Club - Amaan Ansari, James Hamilton-Kane and Skye Kim. From each of their presentations it was clear that it had been a wonderful, mind-broadening experience for all attendees and, for some it may not be an exaggeration to even describe it as life-changing.

For those of us in the corporate world, some of the RYLA activities were similar to exercises designed to foster teamwork and develop management skills, but on steroids. Skye described the team-building exercises including putting together a piece of IKEA furniture without talking to each other - most of us can't do this without numerous cross words including at least one colourful expletive.

Another exercise helped attendees understand their personality types:

Eagles, peacocks, owls and doves, all with their different strengths. James was happy to identify as an owl - quiet, thoughtful and prone to make "woooo..." sounds at random intervals. I would love to have seen the results for President Arie and Past President Rick - doves? Maybe not.



There was also an emphasis on public speaking and the toastmasters exercises seem to have given everyone a boost of confidence when addressing gatherings. That said, I don't think Amaan needed

much help - based on his presentation I am sure he has not only kissed but snogged the Blarney Stone.

The list of benefits that all these young people have received from the RYLA programme is lengthy: confidence; self-awareness; overcoming fears; respect for different viewpoints; understanding of different backgrounds; sharing of amazing experiences; but, above all, deep and hopefully lasting friendships with other young people who represent the future of this country. Skye, Amaan and James have all expressed gratitude for the opportunity our Club has provided by sponsoring them. We in

turn, I think can be proud of them and of supporting such a worthwhile programme.

*Summary by Nick Hamilton-Kane*

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## *This week's speaker: Cameron Briscoe*

Rustic Pathways Travel bills itself as Australia's leading provider of service-learning and cross-cultural travel programs. The organisation is used by Meriden, in addition to numerous other schools, to organise various immersion tours. Cameron will tonight present to us on the topic of Critical Global Citizenship. The world is becoming smaller every day. As the internet and interconnectivity

increases, students are now able to connect instantly with humans from the other side of the world. And as the world changes rapidly, education too must evolve - it can no longer be limited to the classroom. We will explore how we can stimulate and guide our students and children to connect with our fellow human beings to foster positive change on a global scale.

## Next week's event: Transfer to Trish MS Golf

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### Reports from Directors

#### **Rick Vosila**

##### *Club Services*

‡ Trish MS Golf Day reminder for Thursday 20-Feb.

‡ A membership networking evening will be held 11-March.

#### **Peter Smith**

##### *Youth*

‡ The next RYPEN will be held from 2nd-5th April. Looking for applicants.

#### **Paul Anton**

##### *Vocational*

‡ Is in preliminary planning stage to hold vocational visits.

#### **Rod McDougall**

##### *Treasurer*

‡ Advised that three members have left the club. Namely Umesh and Anuradha Kamkolkar, and Farrukh Mirza.

‡ Reminded members that semi-annual dues are due.

#### **Usha Garg**

##### *Community*

Via email received 9-2-20:

‡ The last six months have witnessed many community service fundraising events, thanks to the generous efforts of our Rotarians who contributed their valuable time and resources and worked tirelessly in the community teams for national and local causes.

Working in partnership with local businesses and Government, through our work we make the community aware of us and spread the Rotary message. Such team spirit no doubt creates an exemplary display of Rotary in the community.

Provided below is a brief summary of the projects within the above criteria. At the most recent meeting on 6 Feb 2020, the Board unanimously approved the transfer of funds to Farmers Drought Relief and National Bushfire Appeal to their respective RAWCS accounts. This funds transfer fulfils our responsibility to the public for their generous donations.

Event	Promoted Beneficiary	Collection (net)	Total
Strathfield tree planting day	Local Community / School / Hospital	1,191.00	1,191.00
Spring Festival	Farmers Drought Relief #	1,820.00	
Carols in the Park	Farmers Drought Relief #	2,645.00	4,735.00
Rochester St. BBQ (Nov 19)	Farmers Drought Relief #	270.00	
Spring Fling (at Nonna's)	Yuendumu Project	5,400.00	
District Grant	Yuendumu Project	4,000.00	9,655.00
ARH BBQ (Dec 2019)	Yuendumu Project	255.00	
Bunnings BBQ 28 Dec 2019	Rotary National Bushfire Appeal **	2,278.00	
Rochester St. BBQ (Jan 20)	Rotary National Bushfire Appeal **	315.00	2,592.00
<b>Total</b>		<b>18,174.00</b>	<b>18,174.00</b>

## Reports from members

### Peter Smith

‡ Advised that the Rotary Club of Concord, in conjunction with two local Mems Sheds, are collecting tools to donate the people impacted by the recent (and current) fires.

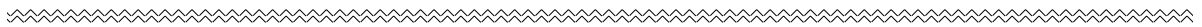
Via email 9-2-20:

‡ The Rotary/Strathfield Council Youth Awards are expected to be held 10 April (ie. still to be confirmed).

### Niall King

‡ Reminded members of the upcoming Trish MS Golf Day to be held on Thursday 20-Feb.

‡ Asked whether other Rotary clubs and District have been made aware.



## Dates for the Calendar



<i>Rotary Events</i>			
<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Event/speaker</i>	<i>To introduce</i>	<i>To thank + <b>Speaker write-up</b></i>
Wed 12th Feb	Rustic Pathways <b>Cameron Briscoe</b>	Mathew Elias	Bill Carney
Wed 19th Feb	Transfer to Thursday 20 February	n/a	n/a
Thur 20th Feb	Trish MS Golf Day	n/a	n/a
Wed 26th Feb	tba	Domenico Alvaro	Peter van der Sleesen
Wed 4th Mar	"Enabling a better world" Int Women's Day <b>Pallavi Sinha</b>	Prabhat Sinha	Usha Garg
Wed 11th Mar	Networking evening	Roger Vince	Grahame True

<i>Birthdays</i>	
15th February	Dinesh Garg

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
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## *The statistics*

Attendance last meeting (5-2-20)	20
Club membership	<b>44</b>
Partners	0
Guests	6

<i>Funds raised</i>	
Raffle	\$225.00
Sergeant's session	\$112.95
Heads and tails	\$n/a

## *Your Committee 2019-20*

President	Arie Pappas	Secretary	Dimitry Palmer
President Elect	Usha Garg	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, 12 Feb 20	Mathew Elias	Bill Carney
Wed, 19 Feb 20	n/a	n/a
Wed, 26 Feb 20	Domenico Alvaro	Peter van der Sleen
Wed, 4 Mar 20	Prabhat Sinha	Usha Garg
Wed, 11 Mar 20	Roger Vince	Grahame True
Wed, 18 Mar 20	Nella Hall	Alexey Prokopenko

## *Raffles Roster*

In the Rotary spirit of sharing the load, 'raffles Rick' has devised a roster so all members can activity participate in our weekly raffles.

Here are the rules of the game:

1. This is a test of your accountability and responsibility. If you are rostered on for a particular night, you are accountable and responsible for running the raffle on that night. Please don't let your club down.
2. On your night, you do the lot: arrange the prizes beforehand (three prizes is all we need; be creative with them); announce the raffle; sell the tickets; tally the money; manage the draw; and make it a huge success. I will assist if needed. We can also enlist the support of other members on the night for ticket selling, etc.
3. If you can't make it on the night, you must arrange to swap your shift with someone else on the roster (early!). Don't just let it slip by so we don't have a raffle on the night.
4. If on the night that you're rostered on we have a Transfer Meeting (or no meeting) and so no raffle is required, you get the night off; bonus!

*PP Rick Vosila*  
Club Service Director

<i><b>Date</b></i>	<i><b>Rostered on</b></i>	<i><b>Date</b></i>	<i><b>Rostered on</b></i>
<b>Wed, 12 Feb 20</b>	<b>Charles Pitt</b>	Wed, 22 Apr 20	Andrew Aravanis
<b>Wed, 19 Feb 20</b>	<b>Raymond McCluskey</b>	Wed, 29 Apr 20	Paul Anton
Wed, 26 Feb 20	Chris Haseldine	Wed, 6 May 20	Nick Hamilton-Kane
Wed, 4 Mar 20	Mathew Elias	Wed, 13 May 20	Thaya Ponniah
Wed, 11 Mar 20	Ed Dunlop	Wed, 20 May 20	Rick Vosila
Wed, 18 Mar 20	David Croft	Wed, 27 May 20	Janelle Watson
Wed, 25 Mar 20	Jaya Challa	Wed, 3 Jun 20	Chris Virgona
Wed, 1 Apr 20	Bill Carney	Wed, 10 Jun 20	Roger Vince
Wed, 8 Apr 20	Keith Byrn	Wed, 17 Jun 20	Peter van der Sleesen
Wed, 15 Apr 20	Bradley Ayres	Wed, 24 Jun 20	Gulian Vaccari



## *Out and About: Upcoming MS Trish Golf Day*

Thursday 20th February



The poster is a vertical rectangular graphic with a light grey background. At the top left is the Rotary International logo, a gear-like wheel with 'ROTARY' at the top and 'INTERNATIONAL' at the bottom. To its right, the text 'ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD' is written in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, 'CHARITY GOLF DAY' is written in a larger, bold, sans-serif font. Underneath that, 'IN AID OF' is written in a smaller font. To the left of the next line of text is a stylized butterfly logo. The text 'TRISH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS RESEARCH FOUNDATION' is written in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this is a dark horizontal band containing the Strathfield Golf Club logo, which features a stylized 'S' inside a circle. Below the dark band, the address '52 Weeroona Road Strathfield' is written. This is followed by the date 'Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020'. Below the date are three lines of text: 'Shotgun start: 12:30pm', 'Golf Presentation: 6:00pm', and 'Dinner: 6:30pm for 7:00pm'. At the bottom, the contact information 'For further information please contact: Niall King OAM, mobile 0418 235 400' is written.

 **ROTARY CLUB OF  
STRATHFIELD**

**CHARITY GOLF DAY**

IN AID OF

**TRISH MULTIPLE  
SCLEROSIS RESEARCH  
FOUNDATION** 

  
**STRATHFIELD**  
GOLF CLUB

52 Weeroona Road  
Strathfield

**Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020**

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**Golf Presentation: 6:00pm**

**Dinner: 6:30pm for 7:00pm**

For further information please contact:  
Niall King OAM, mobile 0418 235 400



## *Out and About: Upcoming Youth Achievement Awards*

Wednesday 10th April



### **NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN**

The Strathfield Youth Achievement Awards recognise the outstanding achievements of young people who go to school, live, work or train in the Strathfield Local Government Area. Running for almost 10 years, the Awards are organised by Strathfield Council and the Rotary Club of Strathfield, and feature categories of art, science, sport, community service and more.

**Do you know an exceptional young person who deserves their achievements to be recognised? Nominate them online at: [www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au](http://www.strathfield.nsw.gov.au)**



*Nominations close 5pm, Monday 11 March 2019*



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