



Rotary

Club of Strathfield



STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

DISTRICT 9675
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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Month of October</i>		
-	Rotary	Economic and Community Development Month
<i>Weeks of October</i>		
21st – 27th Oct	Aust	Aussie Backyard Bird Count
24th – 30th Oct	UN	Disarmament Week
<i>Days of October</i>		
24th Oct	Rotary	World Polio Day
24th Oct	UN	United Nations Day
24th Oct	UN	World Development Information Day
27th Oct	UN	World Day for Audiovisual Heritage

From the President

Dear fellows,

Last week we inducted our newest member Alexey Prokopenko. Alexey represents the future of our club; he is a young, successful App developer. Initially attending our meetings as a guest speaker, invited through his friend Rotarian Farrukh Mirza, Alexey liked what he saw. After attending numerous meetings over a six-month period liked what our club does and represents and applied to join.

On the other end of the spectrum we have PP Roger Vince, the very epitome of what Rotary represents. Roger joined our club in its charter year back in 1971! After nearly 50 years of service, Roger, an accountant by

profession, has done it all at our club and continues to do so. He has been a committed active member of our club who has served in every role and continues to do so.

So there you have it, our newest and our longest serving member! Alexey you will find no better Rotarian than PP Roger Vince to share with you what our club has done and continues to do. If you go on to achieve 1% of what Roger has, you will be a great Rotarian and human being have served your community and indeed the world well!

Yours in Rotary,
Arie Pappas

Last week's speaker: Eric Brown

Last week's guest speaker was Eric Brown, Managing Director of QVS Group, an organisation which has for more than thirty years been in the business of fitting out commercial office interiors, shopfitting and make goods in the Sydney market. The business was founded by Eric's father Robert Brown and is based on the principles of providing customers with Quality Value and Service.

Eric's presentation was basically to explain the DOs and DON'Ts in setting up a new office. Some of Eric's very useful recommendations, based on his skills and experience in business management, sales, estimating of projects, construction management and implementation of OHS policies, included the following:

- When choosing space for a new office location accessibility to natural light is an absolute premium.
- Engaging the services of a commercial tenant representative is invaluable in negotiating lease terms and conditions including rent, landlord incentives and contribution to fitout, obligations on make good, and the like.
- Consulting the builder at the earliest possible time in the design and layout of the proposed office space fitout.
- Thoroughly research the credentials of the fitout firm including testimonials and inspecting previous work.
- Obtain and compare multiple quotes.

- Ensure contract terms are exhaustive so far as the scope of the work and minimise the potential for variations which can invariably lead to cost blowouts.

QVS has carried out work for a wide variety of clientele ranging from small one to two person operations to large corporate enterprises. Most interestingly, Eric estimated, as a general rule, the cost of a reasonable quality commercial fitout could range from



\$1000 per sqm to \$2500 per sqm. However, Eric gave examples of fitouts costing \$500 per sqm which appeared much more expensive due to "value engineering", ie use of second-hand and reconditioned materials and furniture, superior design solutions and clever use of building techniques.

All members and guests present were thoroughly entertained by Eric's professional and interesting presentation.

Summary by Joseph Saad

This week's speaker: Kate Magee

Will enlighten us with travelling tips for 2020.

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## *Next week's speaker: Dianne North*

District Governor Dianne North will be our special guest next week.

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Reports from Directors

Thaya Ponniah

International

‡ The "Train Ride to End Polio" will be held this Thursday, 24th October. A commitment sheet was circulated. Member are requested to be at Strathfield Station at 3:40pm.

Paul Anton

Vocational

‡ There will not be a "Pride of Work" even this year.

‡ Paul handed out certificates of appreciation to Joseph Saad, Domenico Alvaro, Andrew Aravanis, Roy Ellis and Peter Manenti who were sponsors of the recent Police Officer of the Year event.

Peter Smith

Youth

‡ Reminded members that the graffiti removal day is this coming Sunday, 27th October.

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## *Reports from members*

### **Dimitry Palmer**

Via email 18-10-19:

Correspondence from District Secretary, Janice Hall:

1. Please don't forget to let Mark Anderson know if you are going to meet the Polio Train next Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> October. Please let him know which station, your name and contact phone number in case a connection is missed, or the train is running late. Please see the Polio Train timetable attached. Please note that the train riders will be in the fourth carriage
2. Rotary Leadership Institute 1 is a learning course for new Rotarians and will be held on 23rd November 2019, 8.45am for 9am start at Camden Golf Club, Lodges Rd., Narellan. This will be a half day event. We invite all new Rotary members and their mentors to come along and learn some of the basic information on Rotary. New Rotary members will also get the opportunity to ask questions that have not been answered within their own club. The purpose of this orientation is to have new members become more

from the front, rear door.  
[mark.anderson@rotary.org](mailto:mark.anderson@rotary.org)

acquainted with Rotary (local, district, international) without overwhelming them. Hopefully, they will have made new friends by the end of meeting and feel more connected to their Rotary Club.

Booking is essential. Please use <https://www.trybooking.com/BGDRU>

3. The Rotary Club of Five Dock invites you to participate in their 14th Annual Charity Golf Day at Concord Golf Club on Thursday 21st November 2019. The main beneficiaries will be ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) and the Children's Tumour Foundation of Australia. Cost is \$185.00 pp or dinner only \$70.00 pp. Contact Peter Komander 0403 989 730. See attachment for more information
4. The Special Olympics Roar and Soar event is on again this year on Sunday 8th December 2019 at Sydney Motorsport Park. The vehicles start from the following locations: Hyde Park, Ku-ring-gai National Park, Penrith, Mrs Macquarie's Chair, Kirribilli, Blue Mountains, ANZ Stadium, Government House, Parramatta Park, RAAF Base Richmond, Bathurst, Concord, Cowan, and Luna Park. Last year several clubs offered assistance and many shifts are still available between 7am and 4pm. Lunch will be provided and water will be available throughout the day. If you are interested in assisting please contact Gareth Hogan, the General Manager of Operations to express your interest. Complete the attached document and return to Gareth by the 1st November 2019. Gareth's contact details are:  
[Gareth@specialolympics.com.au](mailto:Gareth@specialolympics.com.au)  
m: 0477 749 948 Ph: 1300 225 762

5. October is Community Economic Development Month. Rotarians can invest in their community's future by starting an economic development project. High-impact and sustainable projects begin with community assessments and include the active involvement and commitment of community members.

Youth unemployment, obstacles to entrepreneurship, barriers to agricultural opportunities or lack of resources for addressing extreme poverty are valuable projects.

Rotary's Economic and Community Development Project Strategies <http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PlM6YqNoLGQJJZGkQh8gllT> guide can help you ask the right questions, identify needs, and make the greatest impact with the time and resources you have.

You can contact the following Rotary Action Groups for support and information:

- Rotarian Action Group for Microfinance and Community Development  
<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PtyPDfXTJ7UhT9epmFUz3h6>  
works to alleviate poverty through sustainable microfinance and community development.
- Environmental Sustainability Rotarian Action Group  
<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PBlyi58oGyXQ2iMtT4GRocj> helps clubs and districts plan, implement, and evaluate projects related to environmental sustainability and climate change
- Food Plant Solutions Rotarian Action Group  
<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PJ8gWUiTE01obskyppt9J7>  
alleviates hunger by teaching

people, particularly in developing countries, how to grow the local foods that best fill their nutritional needs

- Rotarian Action Group Against Slaver

<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PQUZBJtoBr4WkBSCVSfs42J>

raises awareness that slavery still exists in some places and supports programs, campaigns, and projects to end it

- Disaster Network of Assistance Rotarian Action Group

<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4PYHlgyDTyS8utLqHsh1KoXW>

focuses on disaster preparedness, communication, and recovery worldwide

- Rotarian Action Group for Endangered Species

<http://msgfocus.rotary.org/c/16y4Qeh9AcYTtKfAM4wQv4Al4Om>

brings attention to endangered species and supports action to preserve and protect them.

6. The Julie Owens' Grants Bulletin offers information about community grants in the areas of The Arts, Communities, Disability, Indigenous, Social Enterprise, Sport and Business. There are a number of grants on offer that may support your projects. See attachment for more details.

7. Mike Greenslade CEO ShelterBox Australia has sent the latest

eNewsletter for October 2019. ShelterBox has dispatched an assessment team to the Bahamas after Cyclone Dorian, and teams to Bangladesh, Somaliland, the Lake Chad Basin, and Syria. For full details visit Web

[www.shelterboxaustralia.com.au](http://www.shelterboxaustralia.com.au)

Blog

[www.shelterboxaustralia.wordpress](http://www.shelterboxaustralia.wordpress).

The ShelterBox Kokoda Trek is running again in 2020 and there are only 8 places left. PDG Barry Antees successfully completed the trek in 2019 and could provide you with more details. Early Bird registration before November 1st will save you \$385.00. More information and the information pack are available at:

<https://inspiredadventures.com.au/events/shelterbox-australia-kokoda-trek-2020/>

If you'd like to 'do your own thing' and raise funds for disaster relief, visit the ShelterBox fundraising page or get in touch:

<https://www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au/do-your-own-thing/>

Kindest Regards

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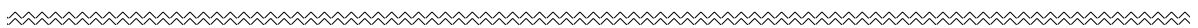
Dates for the Calendar



<i>Rotary Events</i>			
<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Event/speaker</i>	<i>To introduce</i>	<i>To thank + Speaker write-up</i>
Wed 23th Oct 2019	Travelling Tips for 2020 Kate Magee	Janelle Watson	Roger Vince
Sun 27th Oct 2019	Graffiti clean-up Day	-	-
Wed 30th Oct 2019	District Governor's Visit Dianne North OAM	Allan Teale	Domenico Alvaro
Wed 6th Nov 2019	Pre-Need Funeral Planning Sue Sudiro	Rod McDougall	David Croft
Sun 10th Nov 2019	Bowral Friendship Lunch	-	-
Wed 13th Nov 2019	Immigration Changes in 2019 Joanne Baldwin	David Croft	Marvin Manrique- Velasquez

<i>Birthdays</i>	
24th October	Marvin Manrique-Velasquez

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
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The Statistics

Attendance last meeting (16-10-19)	18
Club membership	47
Partners	0
Guests	4

<i>Funds raised</i>	
Raffle	\$235.00
Sergeant's session	\$94.60
Heads and tails	Not held

Your Committee 2019-20

President	Arie Pappas	Secretary	Dimitry 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, 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 Sleen	Nick Hamilton-Kane
Wed, 4 Dec 19	Annual General Meeting	
Wed, 11 Dec 19	Jaya Challa	Rick Vosila

Raffles Roster

In the Rotary spirit of sharing the load, 'raffles Rick' has devised a roster so all members can actively 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>Date</i>	<i>Rostered on</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Rostered on</i>
Wed, 23 Oct 19	Peter Smith	Wed, 15 Jan 20	BREAK
Wed, 30 Oct 19	Prabhat Sinha	Wed, 22 Jan 20	Paolo Giammarco
Wed, 6 Nov 19	Marvin Manrique-Velasquez	Wed, 29 Jan 20	Usha Garg
Wed, 13 Nov 19	Joseph Saad	Wed, 5 Feb 20	Roy Ellis
Wed, 20 Nov 19	Gulian Vaccari	Wed, 12 Feb 20	Charles Pitt
Wed, 27 Nov 19	Dimitry Palmer	Wed, 19 Feb 20	Raymond McCluskey
Wed, 4 Dec 19	Nick Nicolaou	Wed, 26 Feb 20	Chris Haseldine
Wed, 11 Dec 19	Farrukh Mirza	Wed, 18 Mar 20	David Croft
Wed, 18 Dec 19	Rod McDougall	Wed, 25 Mar 20	Jaya Challa
Wed, 25 Dec 19	BREAK	Wed, 1 Apr 20	Bill Carney
Wed, 1 Jan 20	BREAK	Wed, 8 Apr 20	Keith Byrn
Wed, 8 Jan 20	BREAK	Wed, 15 Apr 20	Bradley Ayres

Upcoming event: Graffiti clean-up Day

Sunday 27th October



Upcoming event: 2019 Life and Hope Dinner

Saturday 2nd November

For more details, please see PP Peter Smith



6.30pm for 7pm
SATURDAY
2nd November 2019

The Sydney Cancer Survivorship Centre at Concord Hospital
invites you to our annual charity event

Theme: Black & White

Venue: Concord Golf Club, 190 Majors Bay Rd, Concord

\$150 per ticket includes live entertainment, 3-course meal and drinks
(Tables are of 10. Individual tickets or a Table of 10 can be purchased)

Tickets available:

Ph: 02 9767 5222

<https://www.slhd.nsw.gov.au/events/CRGH-ssc-cabaret/>



Upcoming event: Bowral Friendship Lunch

Sunday 10th November

For more details, please see Roy Ellis



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Bowral Friendship Lunch
Sunday 10 November 2019

Our gracious hosts Domenico and Johanna Alvaro have invited Strathfield Rotary members and their families to join them at their beautiful Bowral estate.

Lunch provided
\$30 pp donation to The Rotary Foundation
(children under 16 no charge)
Arrival 12:00 pm Dress casual
No.1 Kimberley Drive East Bowral

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Mathew Elias Roy Ellis

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