



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 Oct/Nov</i>		
24th – 30th Oct	UN	Disarmament Week
6th – 12th Nov	UN	International Week of Science and Peace
<i>Days of Oct/Nov</i>		
27th Oct	UN	World Day for Audiovisual Heritage
30th Oct	UN	World Cities Day
2nd Nov	UN	International Day to End Impunity for Crimes against Journalists
5th Nov	UN	World Tsunami Awareness Day
6th Nov	UN	International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict

From the President

Dear fellows,

One of the most underrated and unknown benefits of membership of service clubs such as Rotary is FELLOWSHIP.

Fellowship is defined as “friendly association, especially with people who share one's interests”. In my time as a Rotarian, I have found the fellowship at our club to be outstanding. Our members come from varied backgrounds and cultures, with a common interest in serving our community. We meet weekly which is always something to look forward to.

In addition we have many social events which vary from dinners, balls, golfing/bowling events etc. All in all, a lot of variety with a great bunch of people. So why am I telling you? It's good to reflect on the positive and fun things in our lives, also something we too often don't share with our acquaintances who may be looking for similar experiences!

In that regard, we've had an eventful week commencing with our Graffiti Removal Day on Sunday. PP Peter Smith put many hours of planning into this event to ensure that we had a positive contribution to our

community and a fun Sunday morning at the same time.

Tuesday saw our Inaugural President's Cup Golf Day which saw Bradley "Bubba" Ayres & yours truly defeat PP's Raymond "Tiger" McCluskie and Peter "The Shark" Smith in a close encounter at Strathfield Golf Club. This was a tremendous outing which we hope to repeat regularly, stay tuned!

This Wednesday we look forward to a visit from our District Governor Di North, along with her husband David, and Assistant Governor Angela Bradley. We will be receiving an update on what's happening in District 9675 and in turn providing a club update.

Yours in Rotary,
Arie Pappas

Last week's speaker: Karen Magee

It is always good to have a guest speaker who talks about something that everybody enjoys doing, and this week's speaker did not disappoint with the topic 'Travelling Tips for 2020'.

Karen is a local girl who lived in Strathfield and attended Santa Sabina and now lives at Newington. She has always been involved in the travel business and is currently the Travel Manager at the Teachers Mutual Bank in Strathfield where she looks after the members' travel requirements with a staff of fourteen trading as Travellers Choice.

She spoke of Travel Agent's concern that the Internet would take over the role of Travel Agents, but this has not happened as travellers more often like the personal touch with a smiling face and costing not much more. She related a few horror tales of travel plans going wrong with DIY stories. She talked about the reason people use Travel Agents. Generally, travel within Australia and New Zealand

is easy and DIY, but can be more complicated in other parts of the world.

'What's hot in 2020' Top of the list are the '5 Stans' – Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan followed by the Trans-Siberian Railway, Croatia and Iceland. However, Karen pointed out that the UK is still a top destination, especially Northern Ireland.



Roy and Rick with Karen

There were many questions from the members who obviously enjoyed the presentation from somebody who knows their subject.

Summary by Roger Vince

This week's speaker: Dianne North

District Governor Dianne North is our special guest speaker tonight.

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## *Next week's speaker: Sue Sudiro*

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Reports from Directors

Usha Garg

Community

‡ Carols in the Park will be held in December. Raymond McCluskie added that it will be held on Saturday 7th December at Bressington Park.

Peter Smith

Youth

‡ Reminded members that the graffiti removal day is Sunday, 27th October. Plan is to meet at 5 The Crescent at 8:30am.
‡ Advised that the applications for RYLA close 30th October.

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### **Thaya Ponniah**

#### *International*

‡ The "Train Ride to End Polio" will be held Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> October. Members are requested to be at Strathfield Station at 3:40pm.

### **Rod McDougall**

#### *Treasurer*

‡ Requested that members make a donation to the Rotary Foundation (via Rod) for the Trip to the Alvaro's home in Bowral.

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Reports from members

Roy Ellis

‡ Reminded members about trip to Bowral, hosted by Domenico and Johanna Alvaro.

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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<br/>+ <b>Speaker write-up</b></i> |
| Wed 30th Oct 2019    | District Governor's Visit<br><b>Dianne North OAM</b>    | Allan Teale         | Domenico Alvaro                               |
| Wed 6th Nov 2019     | Pre-Need Funeral<br>Planning<br><b>Sue Sudiro</b>       | Rod McDougall       | David Croft                                   |
| Sun 10th Nov 2019    | Bowral Friendship Lunch                                 | -                   | -                                             |
| Wed 13th Nov 2019    | Immigration Changes in<br>2019<br><b>Joanne Baldwin</b> | David Croft         | Marvin Manrique-<br>Velasquez                 |

| <i>Birthdays</i> |             |
|------------------|-------------|
| 2nd November     | Sharon Saad |

| <i>Anniversaries</i> |                                   |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1st November         | Nick and Vicki Nicolaou (Wedding) |
| 1st November         | George Hallworth (Rotary)         |
| 1st November         | Janelle Watson (Rotary)           |
| 5th November         | Arie Pappas (Rotary)              |



## The Statistics

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance last meeting (23-10-19) | 22        |
| Club membership                    | <b>47</b> |
| Partners                           | 0         |
| Guests                             | 1         |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Raffle              | \$185.00 |
| Sergeant's session  | \$80.20  |
| Heads and tails     | \$25.00  |



## 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          |
|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Wed, 30 Oct 19</b> | <b>Allan Teale</b>     | <b>Domenico Alvaro</b>    |
| <b>Wed, 6 Nov 19</b>  | <b>Rod McDougall</b>   | <b>David Croft</b>        |
| 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 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

| Date                  | Rostered on          | Date           | Rostered on     |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| <b>Wed, 30 Oct 19</b> | <b>Prabhat Sinha</b> | Wed, 22 Jan 20 | Paolo Giammarco |

|                      |                                  |                       |              |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|
| <b>Wed, 6 Nov 19</b> | <b>Marvin Manrique-Velasquez</b> | <b>Wed, 25 Dec 19</b> | <b>BREAK</b> |
| Wed, 13 Nov 19       | Joseph Saad                      | Wed, 1 Jan 20         | BREAK        |
| Wed, 20 Nov 19       | Gulian Vaccari                   | Wed, 29 Jan 20        | Usha Garg    |
| Wed, 27 Nov 19       | Dimitry Palmer                   | Wed, 8 Jan 20         | BREAK        |
| Wed, 4 Dec 19        | Nick Nicolaou                    | Wed, 15 Jan 20        | BREAK        |
| Wed, 11 Dec 19       | Farrukh Mirza                    | Wed, 5 Feb 20         | Roy Ellis    |
| Wed, 18 Dec 19       | Rod McDougall                    | Wed, 12 Feb 20        | Charles Pitt |



## *Out and About: Polio Train*

Thursday 24th October



Pre-event meet up



Off to platform #5 we go



... and through the turnstiles



Presentation made!



## *Out and About: Graffiti Clean-up Day*

Sunday 27th October



Before



During...



During...



During...



Completion!



## *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

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**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



Strathfield  
**Rotary**  
Club



**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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