



Rotary Club of Strathfield



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Club meeting held 7 September, 2022

Welcome back to the Club President **Andrew Aravanis** from his family holiday. Welcome also to **Phil White**, Past District Governor, who is the speaker this meeting. **Gulian Vaccari** gave a vote of thanks to Immediate Past President **Thaya Ponniah** and to President Elect **Nick Hamilton-Kane** for standing in during the past few weeks.

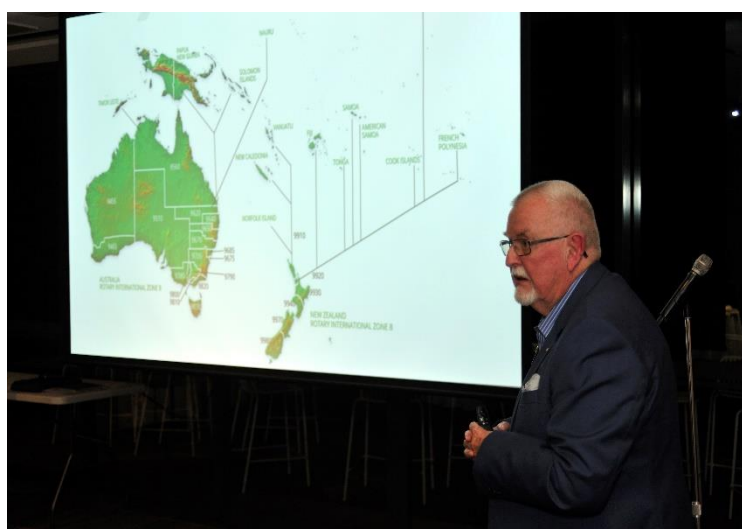
Paula Nicolas has invited Rotarians to attend her St. Merkorious Charity next Monday 12 September between 12 noon and 2pm. to help feed the homeless. We can see first-hand the valuable work one of our Rotary members is doing in the local community. For further information email Charity@stmerkorious.com.au or phone 0478 760 450

PDG **Phil White** was formally introduced by PDG **David Croft**. The topic was Regionalisation – a pilot project involving our Rotary region known as Zone 8. “Creating tomorrow” – a better Rotary for members, clubs and communities.

Zone 8 will be one of two regions to pilot a project to consider “how we can enhance Rotary and Rotaract to ensure we remain relevant for the future”. This month, clubs and districts in Zone 8, including our club and district, will be asked to vote on participation in the pilot to “develop, test and evaluate a new regional approach to supporting and governing Rotary and Rotaract clubs”. For further detailed information see <https://creatingtomorrowrotary.org/>

Zone 8

Zone 8 includes Australia, New Zealand and several Pacific and other island nations including the Solomon Islands, Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea, Norfolk Island and Tonga. Photo (r) is **PDG Phil White**.





PDG **Phil White** (r) was formally thanked by P.E. **Nick Hamilton-Kane**

Club Service Director **Grahame True** thanked the 21 people who attended the dinner at the Golden Coronet restaurant on Wednesday evening 31 August.

Nick Hamilton-Kane thanked the 11 Rotarians and 2 Rotaractors, who worked on the Rotary BBQ stand last Saturday at the Strathfield Spring Fair. Though the weather was not so fair, there was much fellowship and co-operation with the Council. PP **Rod McDougall** advised that the leftover food was taken to the Parish Pantry in Burwood.

President **Andrew Aravanis** and PP **Thaya Ponniah** advised that there are several applications for grants with Strathfield Council at the moment.

Chris Virgona ran the raffle and Sergeant **Gulian Vaccari** together raised \$312.