



Rotary

Club of Strathfield



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Report from the meeting held Wednesday 15 March, 2023

Past District Governor Jeremy Wright joined the meeting with a message about the "Windeward Bound" tall ship. Jeremy was also the guest speaker as he and President Andrew Aravanis shared an "in conversation" session.



The conversation covered Jeremys' career at ICI and Kodak, then his journey into medical research. This involved many areas, including the introduction of the Red Nose Day in NSW in 1989. Then on to research into Multiple Sclerosis and being a Board member of the Trish MS Research Foundation.

PDG Jeremy Wright was awarded an AM (Member of the Order) in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for his significant services to the not-for-profit sector.

Jeremy also talked about his three decades of beekeeping and entertained all with his knowledge of bees.

The "Windeward Bound" tall ship voyage Hobart to Brisbane.

The vessel is arriving in Sydney 26 April and staying for two weeks. It will be berthed at the Maritime Museum. PDG Jeremy said this is a great youth development opportunity for 14-17 year olds (plus older). They will be recruited/sponsored for this experiential 5-7 day voyage to Brisbane.

This is an opportunities for 4 – 5 clubs to get behind the visit of the tall ship and hopefully Strathfield will be involved. Harbour cruises are planned along with a RYLA re-union.

A fundraiser Friday evening is being held 31 March at the Flow Gallery, 57 Denison Street, Camperdown. This is a Rotary fundraising event. More info. on the District website and at www.medxchange.com.au/

Date	Event – guest speaker
Wednesday 22 March (tonight)	President Andrew Aravanis " in conversation" with Past District Governor David Croft AM
Wednesday 29 March	Interact visit to Strathfield Rotary. Meriden Girls School and Homebush Boys High School
Wednesday 5 April	"My time in the Australian Federal Police" Rob Gilder.

Club Service Director Graham True requests a **volunteer for Bulletin Editor/writer** for the next Rotary year commencing July.

Secretary Steven Argyris - A helpful hint /**reminder to those who give blood donations.** Make sure that you are well hydrated prior to giving blood.

Bradley Ayres attended the **Meriden** Assembly for the distribution of badges to the members of the **Interact Executive.**

Paula Nicolas told members about an organization called **Thanksgiving Australia.** This is a charity that provides assistance overseas. A possible program for this club to be involved with is the building of a public hospital in Egypt. Paula advised that a partnership with a Rotary Club in Egypt is possible.
www.thanksgivingaustralia.com

Vocational Services Director Alexey Prokopenko advised that the **ANZAC Day function** to be held on ANZAC Day **Tuesday 25 April .**

The **Indigenous Education Program** will be starting in April.

The **Vocational Excellence Awards 17 May** – planning underway for the function - previously called the Pride of Workmanship Awards.

Treasurer Rod McDougall advised that the **Election Day BBQ** will again be held **onsite at Chalmers Road School** in support of the school. The address is 23 Chalmers Road, Strathfield. More volunteers are needed. A commitment sheet was recently circulated online.



Dinner badge presentation to Rotarian Anoop Nair by PP Rod McDougall.

In the background one of the **new club banners** on display at this meeting.