

THE ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD

2009 - 2010

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DIRECTORS' REPORTS



GRAHAME TRUE
PRESIDENT 2008 - 2009



KEVIN FREUND
PRESIDENT 2009 - 2010



PRESIDENT ELECTRIC'S LINES

If you had told me at the beginning of my presidential year that I would have twelve wonderful months ahead of me I would not have believed you but now at the end of my year I look back at the fun and enjoyment I have had.

This year's Rotary theme was 'Make Dreams Real', that was our task. RI President D K Lee's dream for this year was to consider children throughout the world who never have a chance to dream because of problems with health, hunger, water and literacy.

In our small way, as well as supporting local youth in the Interact programme, RYDA, Chalmers Road School and the Vision Australia Children's Library we have supported world youth. Our club has given to the insecticide-treated bed nets programme for the prevention of malaria to which so many children succumb, literacy packs were put together by club members and on a district level distributed to children in need.

My own wish for our club this year was a simple one – fellowship in Rotary, back to basics. I tried to run the meetings allowing time for chit chat amongst members along with Rotary business.

PP Steve Taylor organised many fellowship dinners at local restaurants this year where members and partners could mingle on an informal basis, these have been well attended. I would like to thank Steve for his efforts.

During this year we had some great get togethers 'Dinner at the Duxbury's', the car rally to the Leftwich's Kiama home. These were fun times, some money raised and a big thankyou goes out to the people involved. The ANZAC Day commemoration at Cape Cabarita organised so well by PDG David Croft and his crew was yet another memorable event.

There were two fund raising evenings this year, a trivia night held in November which raised funds for the on going support for the running of the Chalmers Road school bus – great work PP Bert and his crew. In February the golf day, dinner and auction in aid of the M.S. Trish Research Foundation was a huge success raising funds for continued research into M.S. Once again Niall and his crew did an outstanding job, thankyou.

Niall King as Community Service Director led the way controlling our golf events, raffles and Carols in the Park.

Peter Smith, Vocational Service Director had his hands full with our 'Pride of Workmanship' evening closely followed by the 'Police Officer of the Year' evening. Peter has involved himself in many other aspects of the club and did a sterling job rallying Rotarians to assist in the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal.

International Service Director Janelle Watson kept us informed on what is going on globally with Rotary. Janelle pushed for our club to support Shelter Box, mosquito bed nets and during her directorship she led the board's decision to support 'Doctors without Borders'.

Peter Van der Sleen has been our youth director this year keeping control of our continuing youth programmes, notably RYLA and Interact. Our Youth Achievement Awards and Youth Literature Extension nights were both very rewarding evenings.

Trevor Duxbury took on the Club Service Directorship with great gusto. From food to fellowship Trevor organised it all. Club Service covers many behind the scenes workings and all ran smoothly.

'The Doug and Terry Team' our Sergeants At Arms this year kept the theme of fun and fellowship at each meeting. The fun way these two extracted money kept members happy whilst topping up the kitty. Along with this the raffles organised by PP Keith Byrn helped make money every week.

PP Doug Potter and PP Terry Rohan also initiated the inaugural return to Strathfield night (the Sergeants night). Past members enjoying an evening with present day members – lots of reminiscing and camaraderie.

My secretary this year was PP Allan Peterson who kept the board meetings well documented, correspondence carried out and generally keeping me on track.

The Treasurer Charles Pitt made sure all bills were paid, receipts issued and debits and credits correct.

This year I decided not to give the President Elect a directorship, but instead allowing Kevin to oversee the running of the board and be a deputy to me. Kevin has supported me well in the day to day decision making and assisted the directors when called upon.



In writing this report I look back on the year and realise how busy we have been. Please take time to read the reports and you will see that the directors have led so many Rotary programmes, activities and functions. I would personally like to thank them for their huge input, working well as a team and making my job effortless.

Everyone in Rotary has a job to do, I have been fortunate to have a group of members who are always willing to say yes. I thank that group immensely. I would also like to thank PDG David Croft and PDG Harley Tarrant for their advice on Rotary matters when needed. PDG David offered to organise our Service Above Self Award for its second year. I congratulate the Rotarian who has been chosen by his peers.

The club has been well showcased this year through: the membership drive organised by Ray Wilson (the membership has fluctuated and I was privileged to induct three new members this year); local print media under the supervision of PDG David Croft; weekly bulletins led by PP Angelo Franco; website / E-news well maintained by PP Raymond McCluskie and this collectable change over bulletin by PP Rod McDougall summarising our year in print and photo. I thank this group of 'advertising moguls'.

Our fund raising this year was not an easy task, however, we were happy to be able to make donations which included the following:

Police Legacy	\$2,000.00	RAWCS Shelter Box	\$3,600.00
RAM Bed Net Program	\$3,000.00	Meals on Wheels Strathfield	\$500.00
Claffy House	\$200.00	Trish Foundation (MS)	\$51,400.00
Red Shield Appeal Salvation Army	\$500.00	Chalmers Road Special School	\$2,972.28

I chose Vision Australia as our new charity for this year and an \$8,000 cheque will be going towards the unique Felix Library for preschoolers who are blind or have low vision.

Over the year we have been able to distribute in excess of \$100,000 to worthwhile causes and I thank the club for their generosity.

I would like to thank my board and the club members for allowing me to lead them this year and I can honestly say it has been fruitful and rewarding for me. I wish Kevin and his board fun and fellowship for their year ahead. Finally I would like to thank Penny for all of her support. Without it I could not have survived – she kept my business and Rotary humming along.

Grahame True

President

Strathfield Rotary Presidents

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Bill Boyce	Harley Tarrant	Ian Albertson
Peter Roach	Paul Lehman	Angelo Franco
Clarrie Edwards	Terry Rohan	Peter Kilkeary
Maurie Moroney	George Hanlon	Raymond McCluskie
Ron Thurgar	Kevin Lawrenson	Roger Vince
Merv Perry	Max Douglas	Stephen Taylor
Bob Taylor	Brian Driver	Keith Stockall
Peter Foss	Bert Houston	Keith Byrn
Lew Wilson	Doug Potter	George Hallworth
Brian Hennell	John Elvy	Rod McDougall
Gordon Gillett	Euan Watson	Brian Johnson
David Croft	Joseph Saad	Grahame True
Bob Templeman	Peter Manenti	

President Electric's Lines



CLUB SERVICE REPORT

What an educational year it's been, particularly for me. I have learnt a lot about how the Club operates and what's required to run our weekly meetings. In addition, I have also learnt a lot from our visiting speakers. Congratulations to Neil Kennan and his team for an outstanding effort in doing what most regard as the toughest job in the Club, programme organization. We have been enlightened and entertained almost every week with the incredible selection of visiting speakers.

Arguably, the second most difficult task is the production of our weekly Bulletin. Again PP Angelo Franco was effectively the Editor-in-Chief and he was very ably assisted by Ian Johnson and Peter Douglas, who continued to write the speaker reports. Another time consuming job is the maintenance and improvement of our website. PP Ray McCluskie continues to do an outstanding job and I encourage everyone to visit the site to appreciate his efforts (as well as finding out what's going on). Well done and my thanks to you all.

Thanks to the great efforts of our Publicity Team, well led by PDG David Croft, and the talents of our photographic fraternity of PP Steve Taylor, Bradley Ayres, PP Rod McDougall and Neil Kennan, the local community is well aware of our activities and our contributions to local and overseas charitable organizations. Well done guys.

This year President Grahame insisted we should enjoy Rotary, not only at our weekly meetings, but also on other occasions, such as the car rally organized by PP Keith Byrn. Several dining out nights were also organized by Steve Taylor. Most were well attended and they enabled Rotarians to savour food from a variety of nationalities and cultures as well as enjoying fellowship.

During the past year several of our members resigned. Consequently, it was especially significant that Ray Wilson organized a membership information evening to attract new members. As was the case two years ago, the evening was very well organized, very successful and very enjoyable. Let's hope that our numbers increase as they did then.

Many thanks Eve Dutton, Shirley Del Prado and Peter Smith, for recording our weekly attendances. Thanks also to Eric Khu and the staff at Bronte Industries for continuing to take apologies. It's a pity some of our members don't make use of them.

Yet again the Golf Club staff contributed greatly to the smooth running of our weekly meetings. I especially thank Tim McLeod and his staff in the kitchen for providing us with tasty meals and excellent service for a very economical price. I think many of our members do not realize how difficult it can be to cater to a group such as ours when, more often than not, the number of attendees is not known until the meeting starts. It was good to see more of Ian McLeod as his health improved which, we hope, will continue during the coming year.

Finally, thank you PP Ted Ingall and Peter Smith for organizing the accommodation at this year's District Conference in the Hunter Valley. What an enjoyable time we had.

I apologize to those under my directorship who I have not mentioned. I suspect there must have been many activities, of which I am unaware, that were done on the quiet. Thank you all.

Trevor Duxbury

Director, Club Service

Club Service



COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

Community Service Projects

1. The first for the year was the renovation of a bathroom and laundry at Lilyfield for a person living with Multiple Sclerosis. The project which had a commercial value of approximately \$20,000.00 was funded outside of Rotary.
2. The construction of another garden at the MS Centre at Lidcombe. The value of this project was approximately \$12,000.00 and again was funded by donations outside of Rotary.
3. The ongoing maintenance of the Dr Euan Watson Memorial Garden continued throughout the year.

Bowelscan

From 21st February to 2nd May, 350 Bowelscan kits were distributed to pharmacies at Greenacre, Lidcombe, Homebush and two at Strathfield. Each pharmacy was serviced on a weekly basis and test kits delivered to Symbion Laverty Pathology Collection Centre. 121 kits were sold and \$1,210.00 raised for the Bowelscan project.

Club Barbeques

Apart from the Strathfield Council Spring Fair, which raised \$1,624.00, and the Carols by Candlelight, the bbq did not get much work this year. We did support the Rotary Club of Breakfast Point with their initial fund raising event. The lack of a volunteer to take over the running of the bbq left us in a position of not being able to accept requests.

Golf Events

The District golf day was held on 23rd October 2008, with teams competing from Burwood, Breakfast Point and Strathfield (once again poor response from district). A small field of 31 players enjoyed the day with the Strathfield team of Joseph Kim, Trevor Duxbury, Neil Kennan and Les Hockley winning the John Taylor Memorial Shield. A modest profit of \$1,865.00 was contributed to the club's funds.

The Trish Multiple Sclerosis Research Foundation Charity Golf Day and Dinner was held on 19th February 2009 with \$51,400.00 being raised for Multiple Sclerosis Research. The Strathfield Juniors Golf Day was held on 23rd April 2009. The support from the Rotary Club was disappointing but we managed to raise \$11,000.00 for the development of junior golf at Strathfield.

Trivia Night

A great night, captained by the master of trivia, Bert Houston. We managed to raise in excess of \$3,000.00 which will go towards keeping the Chalmers Road School bus running for another year. Well done Bert.

Club Raffles

The weekly raffles, run by the kings of "prang" Keith Byrn and Warren Abbott have raised considerable funds for the club. A big thank you to all those people who have contributed prizes throughout the year. Thanks Keith and Warren

Carols by Candlelight

A successful community event. Captained by Tony Lanzafame, who with great personal skills, communicated and worked with Strathfield Council. There was good club support for this event. Thank you to all and well done Tony.

Red Shield Appeal

Under the leadership of Peter Smith, 29 Rotarians and 7 partners assisted with the Strathfield Red Shield door knock, which raised over \$24,000. Well done Peter.

I must express my disappointment with the overall participation of club members in the majority of projects and events. But, I suppose if we cannot get better than 50% attendance at club meetings, what chance do we have with these.

There are some people, however, who seem to put their hand up when asked. It is a pity there are only a handful of them. A special tanks must go to Ray Wilson for his assistance, organizational skills and outstanding generosity. Les Hockley, thanks for your sincere efforts and backup. Last, but not the least, I would like to thank my wife, Carole, who is my driving force.

Niall King

Director, Community Service



YOUTH SERVICE REPORT

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment)

The first RYPEM weekend of the Rotary year was in September and Strathfield Rotary Club sponsored two students each from St Patrick's College, Meriden and Homebush Boys High School. Thanks to Paul White, Harley Tarrant and Roger Vince for transporting the students.

During May 2009 the second RYPEN weekend found us with a record number of applications. In the end eight (8) students attended on May 15th – 17th; from Santa Sophia three, Homebush Boys High two and Meriden three. Thanks again to Harley Tarrant for providing transport. The Meriden and Santa girls were transported by parents.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) January 2009.

Two excellent participants were sponsored, Maria BOULATSAKOS and Vanessa FORCELLA, both are students at the Australian Catholic University. Special thanks to Paul White for assisting in the interview process and providing the venue. Thanks also to my wife Jan for accompanying me to drop off and collect the girls. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the dinner.

Presentation to the Club was on March 25th and proved to be an interesting and uplifting evening.

MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)

Two teams are to be sponsored this year. The event is scheduled for 20-21 June, at St Mary's Senior High School. The teams are from Homebush Boys High and from the Australian International Academy.

Youth Achievement Awards

Held in conjunction with Strathfield Council on the 29th April it was again a very successful evening with good numbers boosted by the St Pats 1st XI. The awardees were:

Maha Chahine	Arts and Culture
Xizi Duo	Arts and Culture
Michael Gordon	Community Service
Melanie Raumer	Environment, Science and Technology
Lucy Humphries	Individual Sports – Junior Category
Christopher Ashwood (did not attend)	Individual Sports – Senior Category
St Patrick's first XI cricket	Team Sports

Many thanks to Tony Lanzafame, Kevin Beltrame and Bradley Ayres and of course to the Council staff.

Literary Extension Programme

Strathfield Girls High made their book review presentation as part of the English Literature extension course. Strathfield Rotary is very pleased to provide a forum and audience for the students to make these presentations on various books by Australian authors.

Interact.

The club is proud to support the great work of the Interact Club of Meriden. A dedicated Roger Vince supports the girls on a weekly basis. The Interact Dance was a major fundraiser for the Interact Club and Rotary as always provided support for this function. Thanks to the usual suspects who helped out.

Congratulations and thanks to Roger Vince. He has been appointed District 9690 Interact Coordinator.

RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)

Held Friday May 29th at Penrith Regatta Centre. Strathfield Rotary provided volunteers for St Patrick's College attendance.

Peter van der Sleen

Director, Youth Service

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International
Youth
Service



VOCATIONAL SERVICE REPORT

Strathfield Rotary has long recognised that an important and effective way to encourage vocational excellence and the practice of high ethical standard is to recognise such activity. Over the past 12 months this tradition continued with the recognition of excellence in a wide range of vocations by the holding of two important award nights. We also encouraged the future vocational choice of a young future scientist by giving her the opportunity to attend the National Youth Science Forum at the Australian National University.

Police Officer of the Year Awards

The Club's sixth annual Awards night, held on 27 August 2008, saw 15 finalists from each of the Burwood and Flemington Local Area Commands, recognised for their commitment to community safety, acts of courage, compassion, understanding and devotion to duty.

The night was a great success with 116 people attending. **Detective Superintendent Mark Noakes**, who is the Commander of the State Surveillance Branch, was our guest speaker and he presented **Senior Constable Ben Watson** from Burwood Command and **Senior Constable Leah Greig** from the Flemington Command, with their Police Officer of the Year Awards.

The evening also raised \$2,000 for Police Legacy. The success of the night was due in no small part by the support of some 8 local businesses that willingly helped with the financial cost of the evening.

Pride of Workmanship Awards

The Pride of Workmanship Awards have been presented by Strathfield Rotary for many years to acknowledge vocational excellence, with particular regard to quality, productivity, imitative, responsibility, creativity and ethics within our local community. The awards provide employers with the opportunity of recognising and acknowledging the efforts and contributions of an employee who consistently achieves exceptional standards in their work.

This year's awards, which were held on 29 October, saw 9 recipients from a variety of vocations presented with their awards. Mr. **Raymund Banister** from OTEN Strathfield was presented with the "Ray Sherry Memorial Award" for his service to distance learning. The evening was well attended (119 including 37 Rotarians) and was enthusiastically entertained by well known TV weatherman and personality **Mike Bailey**.

Vocational Visit

This year the club had the opportunity of having a Vocational Service dinner meeting and site visit at OTEN Strathfield. The evening was well attended where some 39 Rotarians and partners heard from OTEN senior staff about the distance learning experiences of some 35,000 students – and then enjoyed a fine meal and fellowship in the OTEN café.

National Science Youth Forum (NYSF)

The NYSF program is one of the biggest Rotary projects within Australia and offers students currently in Year 11 a unique opportunity to test drive careers in science, engineering and related disciplines.

This year we sponsored Miss **Deborah Kai Sze Ng**, a year 11 student from North Sydney Girls High, to the National Science Youth Forum in Canberra for a 12 day live-in residential course at the Australian National University. Debbie Ng recently visited Strathfield Rotary to speak of her NYSF experience – and to thank Rotary for the opportunity given to her.

Thank you

I would like to sincerely thank Past Presidents Joseph Saad and Bert Houston who contributed greatly by being the MC's of the Police Officer of the Year Awards and the Pride of Workmanship Awards evenings.

A special thank you to PP Keith and Sue Byrn for their help and advice "from having been there and done it" in organising the two award nights.

Thanks you to President Grahame True and the many Rotarians who have helped me with their advice, counsel and assistance over the past twelve months.

Peter Smith

Director, Vocational Service



INTERNATIONAL SERVICE REPORT

The Rotary Foundation has as its goal the advancement of world understanding and goodwill through improvements in health, support of education and the alleviation of poverty. This Rotary year we have contributed towards that goal with the purchase of bednets and shelterboxes and Polio Plus contributions. Our Club has also contributed to both World Vision and Medecins San Frontieres and donated books and writing materials.

Polio Plus

This year our Club has donated \$2,000 towards this world wide program.

Group Study Exchange Program (GSE)

In September we were involved with the selection process for the outgoing team heading to Brazil.

Centurion Program

Several of our Rotarians and partners are annual contributors to this program. Funding from this Rotary Foundation program goes towards humanitarian work in alleviating abject poverty, disease and providing educational support.

Shelterbox

A very significant contribution has been made to the Shelterbox program this year. This Rotary year we have purchased three Shelterboxes. The shelter boxes cost \$1,200 each. Previous Shelter boxes donated by our Club have gone to Java, Lebanon, Pakistan and Sudan. Acknowledgement must go to the Interact Club for their efforts in donating some of their funds to purchase a Shelter box. Through Rotarian Paolo Giammarco's connection with The Associazione Abruzzesi Del NSW located at Five Dock, the Association has donated the funding for a Shelterbox.

Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM)

This Rotary year we have sent three separate cheques of \$1,000 each for the purchase of insecticide treated mosquito netting for villages in Papua New Guinea. The most recent donation was from funds raised at the Anzac Day breakfast. Our Club contributions have been combined with those from another Rotary District to form part of a co-operative Adopt A Village program. This strategy helps to maximize the purchasing power and increase the number of bednets that can be purchased for a village. The Interact Club, under the Youth program, have also allocated money from their fund raising events to the purchase of bednets.

Ranfurly Library Services

This is a book aid charity dedicated the provision of literacy materials in the English language. Some of our Rotarians and friends of our Club have been involved for several years, meeting on Thursdays at a warehouse in Leichhardt to sort and pack books for various Pacific Island destinations. This year we have donated a set of encyclopedias and allocated \$500 for the purchase of new educational books. Members of our Club also got involved with a Literacy Program where we filled "pillowslips" with writing materials for the Rotary Lotus Orphanage in Mongolia.

World Vision and Medecins San Frontieres

Our Rotary Club has been donating money to World Vision for over twelve years. During the past couple of years World Vision has moved out of Ethiopia where our long term sponsored child was living. We were then allocated a child in Uganda who we sponsored at \$516. This child and his family then moved out of the area to another village and we were allocated another child. So following research into both organisations a decision was made to change from contributing to World Vision to contribute an equivalent amount to Medecins San Frontieres Australia (Doctors without Borders).

The theme of Rotary International this year is "Make Dreams Real". It is to be hoped that with the significant contributions made by our Club during this year dreams may become reality for the recipients of donations.

Thank you fellow Rotarians, it has been a pleasure to work with you this year and a privilege to serve as a Director of the Rotary Club of Strathfield in 2008-09.

Janelle Watson

Director, International Service



TREASURER'S REPORT

It was my pleasure to be the Treasurer for the Club for the 2009 Rotary Year ending 30 June 2009.

During the year the Club has continued with the dual financial purposes of Club meetings and fund raising activities.

It is an achievement that every Wednesday, the Club meets at Strathfield Golf Club, welcomes members and visitors, provides refreshments, meal, good company and an interesting speaker ,all for the cost of \$22.00. There are incidental the membership dues and fund raising activities. It is the incidental revenue that is meat in the Rotary sandwich, it covers the guests dinner costs and the donations. A participating membership is essential for revenue and of course a fun meeting.

In this year I welcomed the support of Shirley, in undertaking the role of membership treasurer, collecting and receipting the twice yearly collection of dues. This was an important division of the Treasurers duties and lighten my load. Thank you Shirley.

The cashier duties were simplified by Trevors preprinted Treasurer's Summary Sheet. A thank you must also go to the staff at Strathfield Golf Club, for continuing the counting of the smaller receipts with coinage and note swap. Finally, thank you goes to Members who helped me out with collection dinner dues on the odd occasion when I'm running late.

Our meetings are regularly a community forum "Police Officer of the year", "Pride of Workmanship" "Youth Awards", "Strathfield Girls Youth Literature Presentation" , "Chalmers Road Special School Trivia Night" and the "MS Trish Foundation Golf Dinner". The events are well organised by the Directors, the seating, the collection of dinner dues for numerous families and groups. They were the hard tasks, my part was small, assistant cashier and bookkeeper.

At the time writing this report the year has not ended and the 2009 financial statements are not completed and audited. Successful fund raising activities and the generous donations made by the Club were as follows:

Trish MS Foundation	\$ 51,400	Mental Illness	\$1,000
Strathfield Junior Golf	\$11,000	RYLA	\$1,000
Vision Australia	\$8,000	Victorian Bushfire Appeal	\$1,000
The Rotary Foundation	\$4,500	MUNA	\$780
RAWCS Shelter Box	\$3,600	School Book Prizes	\$700
RAM Bednet Program	\$3,000	World Vision	\$516
Chalmers Road Special School	\$2,972	Doctors Without Borders	\$500
RYPEN	\$2,695	Library Project	\$500
Police Legacy	\$2,000	Meals on Wheels	\$500
Polio Plus	\$2,000	Meriden Northern Territory Students	\$500
National Science Summer School	\$1,830	Red Shield Appeal Salvation Army	\$500
Bowlscan	\$1,210	Claffy House	\$200

The Club has continued to meet its taxation obligations with respect to the collection and payment of GST and the lodgment of Business Activity Statements (BAS). The financial statements for the prior year 2008 were audited.

The Club financial responsibilities are same as a small business, and the success of the Club during the year has been the willingness of members to assist and share the responsibilities.

Charles Pitt

Treasurer

Treasurer



SECRETARY'S REPORT

Over the past fifty years I have been at various times the Secretary for a Diocesan Youth Organization, a Parish Council Secretary, a District Education Association Executive Member and Secretary and more recently the State Secretary for the Australian College of Educators. The past two years my secretarial role has included that of Strathfield Rotary Club Secretary. Each of these positions has challenged the personal and professional skills and abilities that I have to offer and for each I have offered the best that I can at the time.

This year's International Rotary theme, ***Make Dreams Real*** has been more than effectively fulfilled at Strathfield, when one considers the combined team talents that are offered to the serving Secretary whose primary role is to help the Club function effectively. The Club Secretary has the following responsibilities:

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- * MAINTAIN MEMBERSHIP RECORDS
- * RECORD ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS AND REPORT MONTHLY ATTENDANCE RECORDS
- * SEND OUT NOTICES OF MEETINGS OF THE CLUB, BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING
- * MAKE REQUIRED REPORTS TO ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
- * PERFORM ANY OTHER DUTIES THAT USUALLY PERTAIN TO THE OFFICE OF SECRETARY.

I have been particularly aware this year that one's Secretarial Dreams have been realised because when analyses the role in view of the above, Club Administration has actively engaged me in:

- a) Collecting, sorting and distributing the mail from the postal service
- b) Relating at meetings the relevant information obtained in the post, emails and telephone calls
- c) Preparing Board Meeting Agendas
- d) Keeping Board Meeting Minutes and distributing same to attendees
- e) Attending to correspondence eventuating from Board Meetings and President's requests
- f) Liaising with President, Directors, Members as pertinent by phone, email or fax
- g) Filing and archiving Club Records regularly.

However, the successful and effective functioning of our Club involves members of the Club in sharing their expertise because they are presently committed to the new Rotary Year theme: ***The Future of Rotary is in Your Hands***. We are blessed with "Assistants to the Secretary" who fulfil the following roles:

1. Keeping and reporting the Monthly Attendance Record
2. Acting as a Publicity Officer and Media Reporter
3. Fulfilling the responsibility of production of the Weekly Bulletin Editor
4. Fulfilling the responsibility of distribution of the Weekly Bulletin
5. Creatively maintaining the Club Website with updated weekly information
6. Providing relevant photographs for appropriate archival records
7. Maintaining a successful Guest Speakers' Program
8. Arranging a diversified and enjoyable social program of fellowship for members and partners
9. Spontaneously networking ability by key personnel to address significant issues and occasions
10. Collecting the weekly apologies and passing relevant details to kitchen staff
11. Planning annual fund raising events for nominated Club charities
12. Holding significant membership drive evenings
13. Motivating Club members to attend the annual District Conference
14. A President and Directors who support the Secretary by performing their own secretarial tasks.

A comparison of the two categories listed, one carried out by the Secretary and the others by the "Assistants to the Secretary", it is clear that there is twice as much performed by those other than the Secretary.

Thank you.

Allan Petersen

Secretary

Secretary



CLUB PROGRAMS

Date	Title	Guest(s)
2 Jul 08	Club Assembly	
9 Jul 08	Universities, Meet the Police!	Matthew Campbell
16 Jul 08	Life In a Shearing Shed	Don Burvall
23 Jul 08	Whistle Stop Tour with an International Rugby Referee	George Ayoub
30 Jul 08	Exodus: Ongoing Success for Sydney's Marginalised	Brian Odgers, Exodus Foundation
6 Aug 08	Group Study Exchange Team Visit	
13 Aug 08	Literature Extension Program	Strathfield Girls High School
20 Aug 08	Clemente Australia: Opportunities for the Disadvantaged	Assoc Prof Peter Howard
27 Aug 08	Police Officer of the Year Awards	
3 Sep 08	District Governor's Visit	
10 Sep 08	Loyal Staff / Loyal Customers	Matt Balogh, McNair Ingenuity
17 Sep 08	Kids, The Ultimate Community Responsibility	Craig Davis Youth off the Streets
24 Sep 08	Shaping a Vision Homebush Boys High MUNA	Catherine Giammarco Juan Fernandez
1 Oct 08	Operation Atlas: ICAC Wollongong	Lewis Rangott
8 Oct 08	Careflight	John Ebbott
15 Oct 08	Ronald McDonald House	Adrienne Pearson
22 Oct 08	Performance Improvement	Neel Raman
29 Oct 08	Pride of Workmanship Awards	Mike Bailey
5 Nov 08	Experiences with Vision Australia	Nick Gleeson Jo Anne Reeves
12 Nov 08	Judicial Reminiscences	Justice Terry Sheahan
19 Nov 08	The Centurion Program Rotaract	PDG Warwick Tester Aaron Sivasothy
6 Nov 08	Muslim Culture and Australian Integration	Silma Ihram
28 Nov 08	Trivia Night	Bert Houston
3 Dec 08	AGM and Elections	
10 Dec 08	Christmas Party	
17 Dec 08	Children's Christmas Party	
14 Jan 09	Bowls Social Evening	
21 Jan 09	Club Assembly	
28 Jan 09	Bushcare	Jeanie Muspratt, Strathfield Council
4 Feb 09	Men's Shed	Peter Sergeant
11 Feb 09	Embrace Life and Get Results	Margit Kent
14 Feb 09	Dining At the Duxbury's	
19 Feb 09	Trish Foundation Golf Day	
25 Feb 09	Weird and Strange Weapons	Paul Martin
4 Mar 09	Transfer to District Conference	
11 Mar 09	Polio Plus Program	PDG Lloyd Roever
18 Mar 09	Sergeant's Dinner	
25 Mar 09	RYLA Presentation	Maria and Vanessa
1 Apr 09	St Mary's House	Sister Josephine Brimo
8 Apr 09	Elizabeth Farm Visit	Bronwyn Alcorn
15 Apr 09	Evening at OTEN	
22 Apr 09	Rotary Information Night	
29 Apr 09	Youth Achievement Awards	
6 May 09	Cochlear Awareness Network	Faye Yarroll
13 May 09	Reminiscences of a Boarder (at Meriden School) Attendance at the National Youth Science Forum	Eve Dutton
20 May 09	Recent Travel Holiday	Deborah Ng
27 May 09	Using Acupuncture To Treat Depression	Terry Rohan
3 Jun 09	Wheelchair Sports	Kirk Wilson
10 Jun 09	Lost Words	Kylie Gauci
17 Jun 09	What Life Dishes Out	Gunilla Denton Cook
26 Jun 09	Change Over Night	Richard Dabinett

Neil Kennan

Programs Chair

THE ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD INC

2008 – 2009 BOARD



President	Grahame True	International Service	Janelle Watson
President Elect	Kevin Freund	Youth Service	Peter van der Sleenen
Club Service	Trevor Duxbury	Secretary	Allan Petersen
Community Service	Niall King	Treasurer	Charles Pitt
Vocational Service	Peter Smith		

CLUB OFFICERS

Sergeants At Arms Terry Rohan and Doug Potter

PORTFOLIOS

Community Service	
Director - Niall King	
Local Community Projects	Domenico Alvaro
Bowel Scan	Umesh and Anu Kamkolkar
Club Barbecues	Shirley Del Prado (C), George Helou, Joseph Kim, Garry Pearce
Golf Events: District, Trish, Strathfield Juniors	Niall King, Ray Wilson, Les Hockley, Allan Teale, CS Yoon, Joe Saad
Spring Fair	Tony Brown (C), Shirley Del Prado
Trivia Night	Bert Houston (C), Roger Vince, Peter Foss, Ross Brown
Pearls on Show / Fashion	Connie Galletta, Shirley Del Prado, Roger Vince
Club Raffles	Keith Byrn, Angelo Franco, Suzanne Freund, Warren Abbott
Carols by Candlelight	Tony Lanzafame, Paolo Giammarco, Sal Tosto, Richard Horwood
Rotary Grove	Raymond McCluskie, Peter Foss
Probus	George Hallworth, Fred Haddon

Vocational Service	
Director – Peter Smith	
Pride of Workmanship	Neil Kennan (C), Tony Brown, Andrew Kowalski, Connie Galletta
Police Awards	Joseph Kim (C), Brian Driver, Stephen Taylor
NYSF Honeywell Engineering and Siemens Science Experience	Tony Lanzafame (C), Silma Ihram

International Service	
Director – Janelle Watson	
Matching Grants (TRF)	Kevin Beltrame, Godfrey Isouard
RAWCS	Eve Dutton
GSE, STEP, YEP	Suzanne Freund, Paolo Giammarco
Polio Plus	Brian Driver, A. Bala
Shelter Boxes	Peter Harries, Guru Singh
Centurion Program	Harley Tarrant

Club Service	
Director – Trevor Duxbury	
Bulletin	Ian Johnson (C), Peter Douglas, Bert Houston, Angelo Franco
Programs	Neil Kennan (C), Paul White, Peter Manenti
Club Fellowship / Job Talks	Steve Taylor (C), Garry Pearce, Joseph Kim, Suzanne Freund
Membership Development	Ray Wilson (c), Les Hockley
Welfare Officers	David Croft (C), Eve Dutton
Visitor Welcome	George Hallworth, Tony Lanzafame, Anuradha Kamkolkar, Ted Ingall
Catering	Kevin Beltrame (C), Les Hockley
Photography	Steve Taylor (C), Bradley Ayres, Rod McDougall, Neil Kennan
Publicity	David Croft (C), Bradley Ayres, Godfrey Isouard, Rod McDougall
Speaker Presentations	Rod McDougall
Attendance	Roster System
Corporals At Arms	Terry Rohan and Doug Potter
Website	Raymond McCluskie (C), Rod McDougall
Apologies	Eric Khu
Assistant Secretary	Roger Vince, Raymond McCluskie
Assistant Treasurer	Keith Stockall
Rotary Protocol, Rules, Information	Harley Tarrant (C), David Croft
Club History	Peter Foss, Roger Vince, Warren Abbott, Silma Ihram
Auditor	James Heash
Public Officer	Allan Petersen
District Conference	Ted Ingall

Youth Service	
Director – Peter van der Sleenen	
RYLA	Peter Harries (C), Bradley Ayres, Paul White, Allan Teale
RYPEN	Kevin Beltrame (C), Bradley Ayres, Paul White
Interact	Roger Vince (C), Brian Driver
MUNA	Silma Ihram (C), Bill Carney
Youth Achievement Awards	Tony Lanzafame (C), Kevin Beltrame
Youth Literature Extension	Paul White (C)

ROTARY PROGRAMS

GSE	Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange	ROMAC	Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for Children
Interact	"International Action" High School Programme	RYDA	Rotary Youth Driver Awareness
NYSF	National Youth Science Forum	RYLA	Rotary Youth Leadership Award
MUNA	Model United Nations Assembly	RYPEN	Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment
RAWCS	Rotary Australia World Community Service	STEP	Short Term Exchange Program
		YEP	Youth Exchange Program

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PORTFOLIOS

Community Service	
Director – Paolo Giammarco	
Local Community Projects	Umesh and Anu Kamkolkar (C), Domenico Alvaro, Suzanne Freund
Club Barbecues	Andrew Kowalski (C), Keith Byrn, Brian Driver, Angelo Franco
Spring Fair	Suzanne Freund (C), George Hallworth, David Martin
Trivia Night	Bert Houston (C), Peter Foss, Niall King
Club Raffles	Allan Teale (C), George Helou, David Martin
Carols by Candlelight	Peter Smith (C), Peter van der Sleenen, Allan Teale, Darrell Slater, Bill Carney
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Probus	George Hallworth, Fred Haddon

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Director – Connie Galletta	
Pride of Workmanship	Suzanne Freund (C), Neil Kennan, Grahame True
Police Awards	Peter Smith (C), Suzanne Freund
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Centurion Program	Roger Vince

Club Service	
Director – Rod McDougall	
Bulletin	Trevor Duxbury (C), Roger Vince, Peter Douglas, Ian Johnson, Janelle Watson, Roger Vince, Harley Tarrant, Rod McDougall
Programs	Neil Kennan (C), Peter Manenti, Doug Potter, Godfrey Isouard
Club Fellowship	Steve Taylor (C), Peter Harries, Andrew Kowalski
Member Talks	Terry Rohan
Membership Development	Ray Wilson, Peter Smith, Joseph Kim
Welfare Officers	Darrell Slater (C), George Hallworth, Warren Abbott
Visitor Welcome	Angelo Franco (C), CS Yoon, Warren Abbott, Allan Petersen
Catering	Keith Byrn (C), Angelo Franco
Photography	Bradley Ayres and Steve Taylor
Publicity	David Croft (C), Bradley Ayres
Speaker Presentations	Rod McDougall
Attendance	Shirley del Prado (C), Rostered Members
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Major Fundraising Projects	
Golf Events: District, Trish, Juniors	Niall King (C), Ray Wilson, Les Hockley, Joe Saad, Richard Horwood
Gala Evening	Peter Smith (C), Doug Potter, Peter Manenti

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