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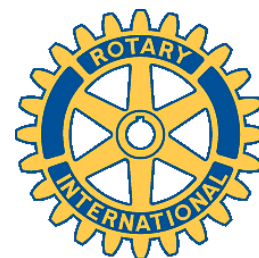
President - Joseph Saad

Secretary – Max Douglas

Treasurer – Bob Templeman

District Governor - Noel Eastment

RI President - Herbert G Brown



RI Theme

Act with Integrity - Serve with Love - Work for Peace

This was the year the Rotary Club of Strathfield celebrated its 25th birthday with many ex members attended a special function organised by PP Peter Foss and his committee at Meriden. This was also the year 'Australia Remembers' with a special service to commemorate 50 years since the end of WW2. Many Rotarians and their families attended a special ecumenical service at the Australian War Graves at Rookwood followed by an afternoon tea. One of the highlights of the weekly meetings was the many outstanding Guest Speakers organised by David Giri. The beneficiaries of fund raising during the year were spread amongst many organisations which sadly included the newly chartered Rotary Club of Tasman Peninsular for the Port Arthur Tragedy Fund. Joe reported the induction of three new members including Connie Galletta and Charles Freckman who became a member of the Club again. It was also noted that the Strathfield Inner Wheel was unfortunately wound up after many productive years.

Nial King and PP Raymond McCluskie were the Community Service Directors in a very busy year. PP George Hallworth with the help of Richard Yarad had a very successful Christmas stocking in Strathfield Plaza assisted by a roster of Rotarians, friends, family, Inner Wheel and Probus. John Taylor provided leadership for the weekly raffle, Ross Brown organised the Australia Day celebrations in Strathfield Park and PP Rod McDougall was a very efficient Treasurer. The Carols by Candlelight organised by the Club were held in good weather with

the help of Strathfield Council. The District Golf Day was organised by Ray Wilson and Strathfield won the District Shield in a financially successful event.

The International Service Director was PP Ian Albertson. The Club welcomed Youth Exchange inbound student Caroline Deseyn from Belgium hosted by the Byrn, True, Johnson and (Alan) Taylor families. There were three outbound students, Daniel Odman to Germany, Charmaine Abbott to the USA and Rochelle Moat to Canada. The Club entertained an inbound Korean GSE team with a Rivercat ride and lunch at Parliament House.

PP Peter Manenti was the Club Service Director with a solid team to keep the Club running smoothly. The onerous and demanding job of keeping the members informed with the weekly Bulletin was Janelle Watson. Eric & Pauline Khu hosted the 1996 Anzac Day breakfast at their home. There was plenty of social activity with theatre, dinners, bowls, croquet, races and odd attendance at rugby games.

Youth Service was in the capable hands of Susan Jenkins who reported our involvement with students attending the Siemen's Science weekend at Macquarie University, MUNA, RYLA and RYPEN. The Meriden Interact Club under the watchful eye of PP Max Douglas and their coordinator Mrs Christine Hughes received an award for outstanding community service from the Sydney Morning Herald and presented on Australia Day.

There were seven Pride of Workmanship Awards given this year at a very successful evening held at Nancy Sherry's Montrose House and organised by a team led by Vocational Service Director Richard Horwood. The guest speaker on the night was PP John Mansour from Burwood Rotary Club.

At the end of a dinner meeting President Joe Saad would conclude with the words "It's great to be a Rotarian!"