



## STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

The Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc.  
District 9675, New South Wales, Australia



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*Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."*

*Paul P. Harris*

**17 February 2016**

### **President Petersen's Page**

***At last week's Wednesday night Club meeting we welcomed, Maria Moran, District 9675 ROMAC Chair and Mr Ron Delezio, the Rotary Eastern Zone ROMAC Chair. Our Club has not been regularly connected with ROMAC (Rotary Oceanic Medical Aid for Children) and after listening to Ron outline a heartfelt horrific accident that affected his daughter Sophie and family some twelve years ago we were all moved to apply our efforts to provide greater support to such a worthy cause.***

***ROMAC originated when a Rotarian, visiting Fiji in 2008, came across a Fijian teenager who required immediate surgery to save her leg. Ron's family tragedy pinpointed the question: What would you do if your child needed immediate medical provision?***

***Over the intervening years an increasing number of Rotary Clubs has become involved and children have been flown to Australia for major, often life saving surgery ROMAC is now proudly a Rotary International approved multi district program of Australia and New Zealand.***

***At the initiative of Rotarian International Director a cheque for \$500 was presented to Ron on the night.***

### **Tonight: Guest Speaker Dr. Helena Popovic**

***Dr. Popovic is a medical doctor and a leading authority on how to improve brain function. She will share her specialist knowledge and expertise and its relevance in fields from weight loss to dealing with dementia.***

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Ron, Maria, President Allan

photographer: Rotarian Bradley Ayres

## **Rotary International Council of Legislation**

**Every four years RI meets to determine the relevance of the legislation by which Clubs order Rotary business. At the District Presidents' Meeting last Friday, PDG Bill Slater the 9675 District Representative at the forthcoming April RI Council indicated that 166 pieces of legislation of the Manual of Procedures would be considered and the subsequent outcome would be in place for implementation by Clubs from 1 July, 2016. This has implications for the Boards of the 2016-2017 Rotary Club and in our case for the leadership being provided by PE Stephen Taylor**

**Our Rotary Constitution was accepted by a Special Resolution on 15th November, 2011 and Part A of that document, following advice provided at the Presidents' Meeting could require modification in accordance with whatever are the outcomes reached by the Council: Article 3: Locality of the Club-probable no specific boundaries, Article 6: Meetings: when? How often held? Type? Article 7: Membership: Rotaracters could become full-time Rotarians, Article 8: Classification: Item 16.21, Article 9: Attendance: Should there be any limitations?**

**Generally, it was indicated that:**

- ***There would be an increase in RI Semi Annual Dues of 50cents per half year for the next three years***
- ***The Directorate of Youth Service would be rebadged as New Generations.***

**Allan Petersen  
Strathfield Rotary  
President 2015/16**



### ***Bits and pieces***

#### ***Bowelcare 2016***

***Bowelcare is a Government program which targets persons aged 65+ for five yearly screenings.***

***Our Club has provided a service for ten pharmacies in the past to distribute the kits and some time later collect returned products for examination by qualified researchers. PP Director Peter Smith has taken charge for this year during May and June for distribution and collection.***

***Results reported show that in 2014 two Rotary Districts, of which ours is one that 33 452 kits were distributed: 12 cases revealed that carcinomas were present, 35 cases revealed that polyps were present, 145 cases results remain pending.***

***Therefore, some 33 252 participants can rest assured that their involvement was to their advantage***

#### ***Wanted: Rotarian, Partner, Supporters***

***Our name badge cabinet needs an overhaul. Any friend of our Club who has the time, computer skills and creative flair to update our cabinet with the names of current members for the easy location of their badges before and after meetings would be greatly appreciated.***

***Let Rotarian Club Service Director Arie Pappas of your willingness to undertake this task and should assistance of any kind be required let him know. Thank you for considering this task for the benefit of all our members and partners who keep their badges in this place.***

***Let us know if you require an update of your dinner badge too.***

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## **Centurions' Towers, Membership Follow Up**

**Treasurer PP Rod McDougal reports that additional Centurion towers have been called for as members have been requiring them. PP Keith Byrn has been recognised by the RI Foundation as a Centurion as a certificate and pin has been provided for his efforts. He advises that he placed a tower on the desk in his office for clients to place their \$2 coin in the tower. Well done Keith!**

## **111th Birthday Celebration**

**As Rotary International commemorates it's Founder, Paul Harris's 'My Road to Rotary' anniversary on February 23 each year, in 2016 we remember February 23, 2016.**

*You are invited to the Strathfield Rotary Club BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION to be held next Wednesday, 24 February at the Strathfield Golf Club commencing at 6.30pm*

*SPEAKER: 9675 District Governor Elect, Stephen Humphries*

## **Anniversaries**

**Birthday: Welwyn Petersen 11 Feb**

**Dinesh Garg 15 Feb**

**Wedding: Edward and Kim Dunlop 17 Feb**

**George and Afaf Helou 18 Feb**

## **For your diary**

**February 18 Eastern Creek NSSCC BBQ**

**March 5,6 Rotary District Conference, Nelsons Bay**

**March 23 Probus 40 Year Anniversary Celebration**

**Strathfield Rotary 45 Year Anniversary Celebration**

**Rotary Youth Camps RYPEN District 9675 camp, Cochlear Autumn School of Engineering (CASE), Rotary Adventures in Citizenship . contact Dr. Usha Garg**

**Statistics 10.2. 2016 Members 20, Partners 0, Guests 4 LoA 6 Apologies 5**

**Raffle \$200.00 Sergeant \$102.15**

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