



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

PRESIDENT PETERSEN'S PAGE

19 August, 2015

SINCERE WELCOME TO THE GUESTS JOINING US

TONIGHT

Our first expression of appreciation is extended to Immediate Past President Stephen Knightly of The Rotary Club of Dapto who is present tonight as the Rotary District 9675 Membership Renewal Co-ordinator.

Next we extend a very special welcome to all those friends, relatives, workmates, neighbours and relatives of Fellow Strathfield Rotarians who accepted our special invitation to join us. Rotary Club membership focuses on the professional, business and community leaders in our midst. We seek their contribution to community projects so that they too can have the same experiences, challenges and excitement through networking that Rotarians know as being a Rotarian.

Members of the Rotary Club of Strathfield have been witnessing to the Rotary International credo of "Service above Self" for almost forty five years during one hundred and eleven years when our Founder, Paul Harris set the Rotary Wheel in motion.

A most effective Rotary Club reflects the demographics of the community it serves. Increasing the number of women, younger professionals, and members of various ethnic groups is our Club's goal.

As a Club we aim to bring together diverse perspectives in order to address the needs of our community more creatively. It is well known that a diverse club has greater credibility in its community, a wider range of skills, increased

volunteer resources, expanded leadership prospects and enhanced fund-raising potential.

All Clubs need new members in order to be vibrant and active and in the case of Rotary this revolves, spins around the wheel and links the cogs of SERVICE AND FELLOWSHIP. New members introduce new ideas, bring fresh perspectives, and extend their club's reach in the local and international community. ***YOUR ATTENDANCE AND INTEREST IS GREATLY APPRECIATED***

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

SATURDAY *August 22nd "GIFT OF LIFE BALL"*
THIS WEEK: *Sydney University Great Hall in connection with LYMPHOMA AUSTRALIA TICKETS AVAILABLE @ \$125 each*

WEDNESDAY *August 26th TRANSFER MEETING*
No planned program for this evening at the Strathfield Golf Club

WEDNESDAY *September 2nd RI: NEW GENERATIONS SIGNIFICANCE*
Strathfield Girls' High School Literature Review of Book Week
Strathfield Council/Strathfield Rotary Youth Awards Presentation

SATURDAY *September 5/6th*
RI: Australian National Success Conference Club members registered to attend this Canberra Conference

Club members, under the lead of Rotarian Charles Pitt sell programs at the Muscle Cars Masters Event at Eastern Creek. Volunteers sought

SUNDAY *September 6th Day Two of the Muscle Cars Masters Event*
Rotarian Charles Pitt guarantees "FUN" for all program seller volunteers

September 6th STRATHFIELD COUNCIL SPRING FAIR
Club members will support the operation of the Club BBQ Trailer
PP Peter Smith is the co-ordinator of this popular annual event
FATHERS' DAY ALL DAY

ANNIVERSARIES TO BE CELEBRATED BEFORE WE MEET AGAIN AT A CLUB MEETING:

August 22:	Ann McCluskie	Birthday
August 23:	David Martin	Birthday
August 24:	Allan and Welwyn Petersen	Wedding
August 25:	Angelo Franco	Birthday
August 28:	Manal Touma	Birthday
September 2:	A. Bala	Rotary

OXFAM TRAILWALKER 100 km WALK; DONATIONS WELCOME

Following on from the team's presentation at Rotary last Wednesday night here is a quick synopsis of the Sydney Oxfam Trailwalker 100 km walk which is occurring on the weekend of 28-29-30 August this year. The walk begins at Brooklyn on the Hawkesbury River and concludes at Balgowlah.

Strathfield Council Mayor Gulian Vaccari writes he will be doing this together with his good friend Rick Vosila and our 2 daughters, Laura and Rachel. Our team is called V4 Turbo and we've been in training now for nearly 3 months. We are hoping to complete the walk in 30 hours.

Oxfam works with the most needy people across many different countries. You can see just one example of the great work Oxfam does by watching this short You Tube clip. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJKET37_9N4

Please consider sponsoring V4 Turbo on our walk. Your donation will be 100% tax deductible. By clicking on the hyperlink below you will go straight to our Oxfam team site where you can follow our progress through the event and make a very much appreciated donation. <https://trailwalker.oxfam.org.au/team/home/21063>

*Thanks
Strathfield Rotarian Gulian Vaccari*

PARKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR 'GIFT OF LIFE BALL' AT SYDNEY UNIVERSITY

When: Saturday 22nd August from 7pm-12am

Where: Great Hall, Sydney University

Enter from University Avenue

(NO RIGHT TURN FROM PARRAMATTA ROAD if Eastbound)

(Need to turn left into Derwent Street and make a U-turn)

*Parking: All day weekend parking meters available on grounds
for \$6 : CASH ONLY*

CLUB PRESIDENTIAL SUCCESSION ASSURED:

Club members who attended last year's Annual General Meeting would recall that a President Nominee position for the 2026-2017 year was not filled. I had suggested to the meeting that the six nominations that I had received for Directors' positions of the 2015-2016 year be accepted for the five nominated positions.

The meeting did not approve of this recommendation of mine and the member who withdraw his nomination was PP Stephen Taylor. I later negotiated with Steve to be our

Club's Rotary International Foundation representative and organizer of this year's Pride of Workmanship Co-ordinator.

Since then, PDG David Croft established a Committee to seek a Nomination for what is now in time, the position of President-Elect for the year 2016-2017. Towards the end of last week David announced that PP Stephen Taylor had offered his services as President Elect for the year in question. The present Board accepted this nomination with alacrity and pleasure.

Stephen Taylor was President of Moorebank Club in 1986-87 and of the Strathfield Rotary Club from 2002-2003. In recent years he has been a regular Guest Speaker at our Club interesting us with the many cruises that he and Denise have taken. He is also a regular photographer at our meetings. Welcome Steve, thank you, and best wishes for another rewarding year as Strathfield Rotary Club President.

Allan Petersen Club President, 2015-2016

POSITIONS VACANT: EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST WELCOME:

October 1 is the commencement of the 2.4/90 period of our Club's Strategy 360 and with it is the need to seek an interest from club members for the positions of:

- Weekly Guest Speaker Program Co-ordinator
- Weekly Raffles Co-ordinator
- Weekly Sergeant Presenter

Discussion with the present incumbent is recommended (who may wish to continue in the role) or with the President. It is anticipated that these positions will be filled by 31 August, 2015 following discussion with the President.

REMINDER: RECORD TIME SPENT (hours) ON ROTARY BUSINESS DURING AUGUST

MEETING STATISTICS	12 8 15
<i>Members present</i>	<i>21</i>
<i>Partners</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Guests</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>Leaves of Absence</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>Apologies</i>	<i>7</i>
<i>No apologies</i>	<i>10</i>
<i>Make-Ups</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Raffle</i>	<i>\$145.00</i>
<i>Sergeant-at-Arms</i>	<i>\$103.80</i>