



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

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PRESIDENT PETERSEN'S PAGE

R. I. President K.R. Ravindran writes:

We're delighted to report that on 24 July, 2015 Nigeria has passed one year with no new cases of the wild poliovirus.

This is the longest the country has ever gone without a case of polio and a critical step on the path toward a polio-free Africa. We've come a long way since the bleak years when the virus reached its peak. It was only a decade ago that polio struck 12,631 people in Africa- three quarters of all cases in the world.

Rotarians are to be congratulated for donating \$688.5 million to fight polio throughout Africa, including more than \$200 million to Nigeria. Rotarians from Africa and around the world who have also devoted countless hours to immunize the children who now have the opportunity for healthier, happier lives.

With the ambitious scope of Rotary's PolioPlus program, our efforts are having a far-reaching, transformative impact beyond the eradication of polio. We must act, as Rotarians do, to build on the progress made and stop polio once and for all. We have a narrow opportunity to achieve this, and if we fail, we could witness up to 200,000 cases in the new year.

Today, we must protect the progress made in Nigeria, and support Pakistan and Afghanistan, the other two remaining polio-endemic countries. Protecting progress means enhancing surveillance, routine immunization, and community engagement in Nigeria and other countries where transmission has been stopped.

TONIGHT'S SPEAKER

Dot Hennessy, District Vocational Director

Awards to be made this year include:

Campbelltown Club Entrant for: Floristry

Wollondilly Nth Entrant for: Fashion

Technology

Padstow Club Entrant for: Web Design

Wollongong Entrant for: Bricklaying

Illawarra Sunrise for: Welding



PRESIDENT'S REPORT FROM DISTRICT 9675 PRESIDENTS' MEETING LAST WEEK

All members are encouraged to register on the R.I. Website at *My Rotary* to maintain contact with the wide world of Rotary. We anticipate holding an evening of IT development for those wishing to be assisted in this regard. The recent visit of District Governor alerted us to the fact that 30% of data has not been provided by District Clubs and this is curtailing the publication of a District Directory.

In the past fortnight your President has visited the Breakfast Point, Concord and Five Dock Clubs to acquaint himself with their procedures and to advertise our "Gift of Life Ball" to be held on August 22nd next month.

DO YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR OUR CLUB APPLYING FOR A DISTRICT GRANT?

Last year less than 50% OF FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR Clubs to access District Grants was not sought. Your Directors attending the District Assembly earlier this year are anxious for our Club to be involved in determining a project that can be applied to such funding. Requests of between \$2000 and \$10 000 will be considered when Clubs provide 30%-50% of the Project Budget. *What can be our Focus?* Community? Internationally? New Generations? Speak to a Club Director!

RYLA 2016: Rotary Youth Leadership Awards: January 2 - January 9, 2016

Next year's RYLA will be held at the YMCA Camp Yarramundi. The Talent Pool of youth between ages 19-25 years from our families and acquaintances can be recruited by our new Generations Director, Usha Garg and the advice of the Club process of selection will be advertised in the Club Newsletter. As we advertise this program potential applicants can download the application form from the website. For further information the RYLA website is www.ryla9675.org.au

LAST SUNDAY (July 26) CLUB MEMBERS FED HUNGRY TREE PLANTERS

In collaboration with Strathfield Council the Club BBQ was the source of providing more than 400 sausage sandwiches at Bressington Park, Homebush. Citizens from the local community were provided with these BBQ specialities as they planted trees

on National Tree Day. Rotarians on duty were PP Rod McDougall; PP Keith Stockall; PP Raymond McCluskie; PP Peter Smith; PP Roger Vince; Director Usha Garg and Dinesh; PP Kevin Freund; PP Allan Teale and Interacter Justin Ton.

MEMBER'S ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATED

Rotarian Anuradha Kamkolkar celebrated a birthday on July 28 and although she is presently overseas at the moment probably observed this greeting on the Club Facebook Page. Happy Birthday Anuradha. Partner of Rotarian Dr Singh, celebrates a birthday next week on August 1st. Many happy returns Pam.

2014-2015 ROTARY YEAR PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

You will notice on the next page a copy of the Presidential Citation which was presented to the Club at the recent visit of the Assistant District Governor, Dr Helen Jagger. The partner of the District Governor confided to the Club President that: *"We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves at your Club this week"*.

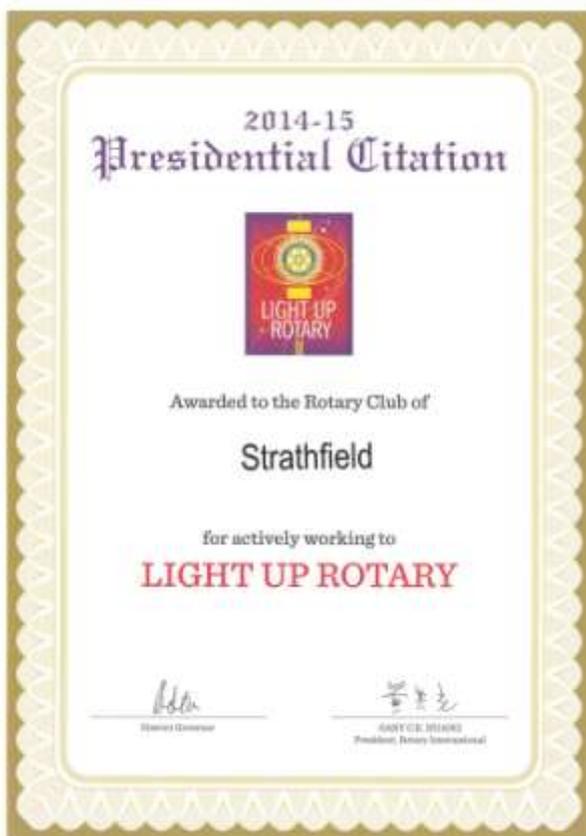
REPORT OF VOLUNTEER TIME TAKEN ON CLUB BUSINESS

The District Governor reported while visiting the Club as we record the number of hours members take to complete their roles and record a total number for a month which is submitted to the District Secretariat a strong position is established for consideration by prospective sponsors and government departments of financial or other support. Surf Life Australia has great success in this regard.

MEETING STATISTICS	22 7 15
Members present	25
Partners	9
Guests	3
Leaves of Absence	8
Apologies	3

No apologies	9
Make-Ups	0
Raffle	\$225.00
Sergeant-at-Arms	\$135.55

 <p>Burwood Council 1-17 Elsie St Burwood 9911 9911</p>	 <p>McDonalds, Enfield 9742 6334</p>	 <p>Richardson & Wrench - Strathfield 9745 2733</p>	 <p>Selectprint (NSW) Pty Ltd 16 The Crescent Homebush 9746 8434</p>	 <p>STRATHFIELD COUNCIL Strathfield Council Homebush Road Strathfield 9748 9999</p>
 <p>Homebush Community Bank 27 Rochester St Homebush 9764 6616</p>	 <p>Premier Panelbeating 65-67 Rosedale Ave, Greenacre 9790 6960</p>	 <p>SEB Selected Financial Broking selectedfinancialbroking.com.au</p>	 <p>Strathfield Chamber of Commerce</p>	 <p>Strathfield Golf Club 9642 0326</p>



A CALENDAR OF CLUB EVENTS

- Fri July 31** “Christmas in July” Restaurant Fare at Tennyson Road Mortlake
- Sun Aug 2:** Club Graffiti Removal: PP Peter Smith provides details
- Wed Aug 5:** Lymphoma BIG EVENT LAUNCH: Meeting the sponsors
 Mrs Cheryl Ayres Guest Speaker for visitors,
 members and partners
- Wed Aug 12:** i. Strathfield Girls’ High School Literature Extension Program
 An annual event introducing Book Week
- ii. Rotarian G. Vaccari introduction to Oxfam Walk Sponsorship
- Wed Aug 19:** PP Stephen Knightly, District 9675 Membership Co-ordinator to
 Welcome visitors and encourage our membership drive
BOARD MEETING TO FOLLOW
- Sat Aug 22** “Gift of Life Ball” at the Great Hall of Sydney University .
 Proceeds to Lymphoma Australia
- Wed Aug 26:** TBA