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Rotary Club of Strathfield



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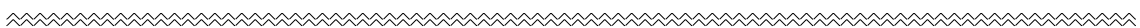
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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

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| Month of Oct | Rotary | Economic and Community Development Month |
| | Australia | Shoctober - Defibrillator Awareness Month |
| | Australia | Polio Awareness Month |
| | Australia | Lupus Awareness Month |
| Weeks of Oct | Rotary | Rotary Alumni Reconnect Week (2 nd – 8 th Oct) |
| | Australia | National Amputee Awareness Week (4 th - 10 th Oct) |
| | United Nations | World Space Week (4 th – 10 th Oct) |
| | Australia | Haemophilia Awareness Week (8 th – 14 th Oct) |
| Days of Oct | United Nations | International Day of Older Persons (1 st Oct) |
| | United Nations | World Habitat Day (2 nd Oct) |
| | United Nations | International Day of Non-Violence (2 nd Oct) |
| | - | World Animal Day (4th Oct) |
| | United Nations | World Teachers' Day (5 th Oct) |
| | - | World Cerebral Palsy Day (6 th Oct) |
| | United Nations | World Post Day (9 th Oct) |
| | - | World Mental Health Day (10 th Oct) |
| | - | International Day of the Girl Child (11 th Oct) |



President's Report

Last Week - POOTY Awards

As usual, our annual Police Officer of the Year Awards, with some 115 guests proved to be a real highlight and an event that we can all be proud of as members of this Club. The night ran very smoothly under the guidance of MC, PP John Elvy, even finishing ahead of time! (Why does that never happen when I'm MC'ing?). Anyway, a HUGE congratulations to

Paolo Giammarco and his entire team for pulling off a fantastic evening, where it was abundantly evident that all the Police and their partners were having a great time. Congratulations once again to all the finalists nominated by their peers, and to the overall winners: Senior Constable Brendan Hui from Burwood Command; and Sergeant Peter Nicolle (nicknamed 'The Captain') from

Flemington Command. It was funny for me to observe Sergeant Nicolle and one of his colleagues, Senior Constable Tennille Jago (winner of the major raffle prize) chatting at the end of the night. I just couldn't get that song 'Do That to Me One More Time' (The Captain and Tennille) out of my head! Special thanks also to Brad Ayres for the great photos taken once again on the night. Brad didn't rest and didn't miss a single important moment – great job! (Brad, did you put these last two sentences in, yourself?) *[Couldn't have put it better myself! Ed]*

Adopt a Scientist

Australian Rotary Health (one of our named service recipients this year) is hosting a dinner at Dooleys Lidcombe on Thursday, 19th October 2017 at 6:30pm called the A Night with Our Researchers. This dinner function, priced at just \$50.00 per person for a three-course dinner and table wine included, is part of the Lift the Lid on Mental Illness program running with ARH, and will be an opportunity for Rotarians and the community to hear

from some of the ARH funded researchers. Should be a very interesting night.

We will be trying to get a table organised; a Commitment Sheet will be coming around soon. Bookings close on 12th October 2017, and if you'd like to make your own arrangements, enquiries can be made with Jenny Towe on 02 8837 1900 or at admin@arh.org.au

Some Guy called Sandra

This week we have Australia's own Batgirl as our guest speaker – Sandra Guy – from Sydney Metropolitan Wildlife Services. Sandra will have with her a furry little friend, and will be talking to us about (I guess) Flying Foxes and their importance in our ecosystem. A perfect topic on what is World Animal Day, today.

Rick

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*Previous Guest Speaker: Frank Mennilli  
Strathfield Rotary Police Officer of the Year*

The Police Officer of the Year (POOTY) is one of our club's showcase events. It is our way of publically saying 'thank you' to our local Police Officers from the Burwood and Homebush Local Area Commands. This night also has a great tradition over the years of having the attendance of Commissioners and

Assistant/Deputy Commissioners. This continued last week when we welcomed Assistant Commissioner Frank Mennilli who gave a wonderful and heart-felt speech on the efforts of the Police Force

A photomontage from the night can be found at the end of this Bulletin.

## *This Week's Speaker: Sandra Guy*

This week's speaker will be Sandra Guy from Sydney Wild Life.

Sandra is a member of Sydney Metropolitan Wildlife Service, which rescues, rehabilitates and releases all native wildlife species in the Sydney area and is actively involved in educating the community about the

importance of our native fauna. Her specialty is flying foxes.

On a related topic, the 4<sup>th</sup> of October is World Animal day; the mission of which is "To raise the status of animals in order to improve welfare standards around the globe." <sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.worldanimalday.org.uk>

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## *Next Week's Speaker: Peter Watson*

Peter Watson is head of Impact Facilitation. Impact Facilitation has provided thousands of days of training and facilitation services across a range industries including consultation, training and coaching services in the areas of Leadership, Community Services, and Time Management.

In addition to Peter's passion for learning and training, he has an enthusiasm for pushing himself to his limits. In 2017, Peter successfully completed a 2405km run of New Zealand in 59 days and has recently completed his 45th Marathon.

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## *Dates for the Calendar*



| <i>Rotary Events</i> |                                                     |                     |                                        |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <i>Day/Date</i>      | <i>Event/speaker</i>                                | <i>To introduce</i> | <i>To thank<br/>+ speaker write-up</i> |
| Wed 4th Oct 2017     | Sydney Metropolitan Wildlife<br><b>Sandra Guy</b>   | Charles Pitt        | Prabhat Sinha                          |
| Wed 11th Oct 2017    | Lessons from Life & Business<br><b>Peter Watson</b> | Chris Haseldine     | Guru Singh                             |
| Wed 18th Oct 2017    | Shine for Children<br><b>Dennis van Someren</b>     | Bala                | Joe Saad                               |

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| Wed 25th Oct 2017 | Fizzics<br><b>Ben Newsome</b>                    | Raymond<br>McCluskie              | Usha Garg     |
| Mon 30th Oct 2017 | Rotary Club of Burwood<br>School Speech Night    | -                                 | -             |
| Wed 1st Nov 2017  | Transfer meeting to<br>Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | -                                 | -             |
| Fri 3rd Nov 2017  | WHG Rotary Club Cultural<br>Event                | Belhaven Manor<br>Function Centre | -             |
| Wed 8th Nov 2017  | Refereeing in Rugby Union<br><b>George Ayoub</b> | Arie Pappas                       | Peter Manenti |

| <i>Birthdays</i>        |               |
|-------------------------|---------------|
| 4 <sup>th</sup> October | Athena Pappas |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> October | Grahame True  |

| <i>Anniversaries</i>    |                          |
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| 9 <sup>th</sup> October | Rick and Christine Voilà |

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Do You Know? Celebrities and Projects

WOMEN IN ROTARY

Until 1989, the Constitution and Bylaws of Rotary International stated that Rotary club membership was for males only.

In 1978 the Rotary Club of Duarte, California, invited three women to become members. The RI board withdrew the charter of that club for violation of the RI Constitution.

The club brought suit against RI claiming a violation of a state civil rights law which prevents discrimination of any form in business establishments or public accommodations.

The appeals court and the California Supreme Court supported the Duarte position that Rotary could not

remove the club's charter merely for inducting women into the club. The United States Supreme Court upheld the California court indicating that Rotary clubs do have a "business purpose" and are in some ways public-type organizations.

This action in 1987 allowed women to become Rotarians in any jurisdiction having similar "public accommodation" statutes.

The RI constitutional change was made at the 1989 Council on Legislation, with a vote to eliminate the "male only" provision for all of Rotary.

David Croft



The statistics

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| Attendance last week | n/a |
| Leave of absence | n/a |
| Apologies | n/a |
| No apology | n/a |
| Club membership | 35 |
| Partners & Guests | lots |
| Members Rotary activities | Week ending 13-9-17: tba [hours] |

| <i>Funds raised</i> | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Raffle (for Police Legacy) | \$1,480.00 |
| Sergeants session | Not held |



Your Committee 2017-2018

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|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| President | Rick Vosila | Secretary | Rod McDougall |
| President Elect | tba | Sergeant | Anuradha Kamkolkar |
| Immediate Past President | Stephen Taylor | Treasurer | Charles Pitt |
| Youth | Arie Pappas | Community | Andrew Aravanis |
| International | Prabhat Sinha | Vocational | Paolo Giammarco |
| | | Club Services | Bradley Ayres |

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| Bulletin Editor | Bradley Ayres | Web master & Facebook | Raymond McCluskie |
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Out and About: Police Officer of the Year

Wednesday 27th September 2017





