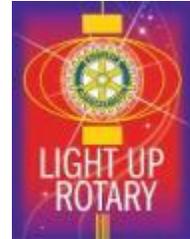




# STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

The Weekly Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc.

District 9675, New South Wales, Australia



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**WEDNESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2014, 6.00 for 6.30pm**

## **HOW ABOUT A NEWSPAPER**

**Belinda Noonan**



**After a successful career in figure skating, including winning Australia's first Ladies International gold medal and competing in the World Championships, Belinda took up coaching, helping skaters achieve top ten World Championship results in Men's and Pairs figure skating, international medals and coached at three Olympic Winter Games as well as commentating for the television coverage at the 2010 Games. Belinda is currently the Figure Skating Coordinator for the Olympic Winter Institute of Australia. and is the Publisher of an established, independent community newspaper in Sydney, the 'Burwood Scene'.**



## **PRESIDENTS RAVINGS**

*Hi Everyone,*

*How great was last week. Thank you all for making it a wonderful night. Our guest speaker was the icing on the cake. What a great incentive for our youth and also a beacon for people in business to realize that we must look after our workforce. By accepting the challenge, Andrew chose to make a career in McDonalds. By continually making progress in the company, he has not sought a career elsewhere, with all that training staying in the company. Just great.*

*As a Club, we have many great attributes, one being the many roles that our members have distinguished themselves in at the district level. Our Club has even had the honour of having a District Governor, Past President David Croft, amongst us. We are an active club that is respected as a leader in the district, both at club level and at district level. I would like to thank everyone for your commitment to the Club The Club is only as good as its members and as we all know, we have the best members in the district. It is great to have your support to make each meeting as enjoyable as it is. A big thank you to Chris Virgona, a great effort each week to bring humour to the Club, by no means an easy task. So please assist me each week through your attendance, humour and fellowship to keep the Club the fun place to be on a Wednesday night.*

*I would like to acknowledge the work that the present and past Mayors of Strathfield are doing to assist the club in its activities this year. Daniel and Gulian, thank you both for your support. We are truly fortunate to have two such generous members in the Club who have the connection with council they do. Add to that list Ivan Brown, who is diligently working on one of next year's projects to ensure its smooth roll out. Thank you Ivan.*

*Well I am sure that we will have a great evening tonight, Belinda Noonan is fast becoming a true supporter of our Club. Belinda ensures great coverage of the Club's activities in the local press for us so as any time Belinda is at the Club, I am sure that we will all be delighted.*

### **On this Day**

**October 15, 1815** - Napoleon Bonaparte arrived on the Island of St. Helena beginning a British-imposed exile following his defeat at the Battle of Waterloo.

**October 15, 1917** - World War I spy Mata Hari was executed by a French firing squad at Vincennes Barracks, outside Paris.

**October 15, 1945** - Pierre Laval, the former premier of Vichy France, was executed for collaborating with Nazi Germany during World War II.

**October 15, 1946** - Nazi leader Hermann Goering committed suicide by swallowing poison in his Nuremberg prison cell just hours before his scheduled hanging for war crimes.

**October 15, 1924** - Lee Iacocca was born to Italian immigrant parents in Allentown, Pennsylvania, (as Lido Anthony Iacocca). Dubbed "America's first corporate folk hero," he was a mechanical engineer who became chief executive of Ford Motor Company and later helped save Chrysler from bankruptcy.



**DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2014**  
CANBERRA ♦ 14-16 NOVEMBER 2014

LODGE A HOLDING DEPOSIT AND GO INTO A DRAW FOR FREE REGISTRATION

**OUR YOUTH, OUR FUTURE**  
BOOK HERE

*Please see the promotional flyer for this year's District Conference. It will be a Multi District Conference in Canberra. Registrations are now open and we need to try to make a statement about how great the Strathfield Rotary Club is, so the more of us that attend, the greater the noise.*

*Kate McKenzie is the District Chair for the Conference and Kate can give assistance with the promotion, social media and other aspects, [kateleannemckenzie@gmail.com](mailto:kateleannemckenzie@gmail.com) 0410 191 939 if that is required.*

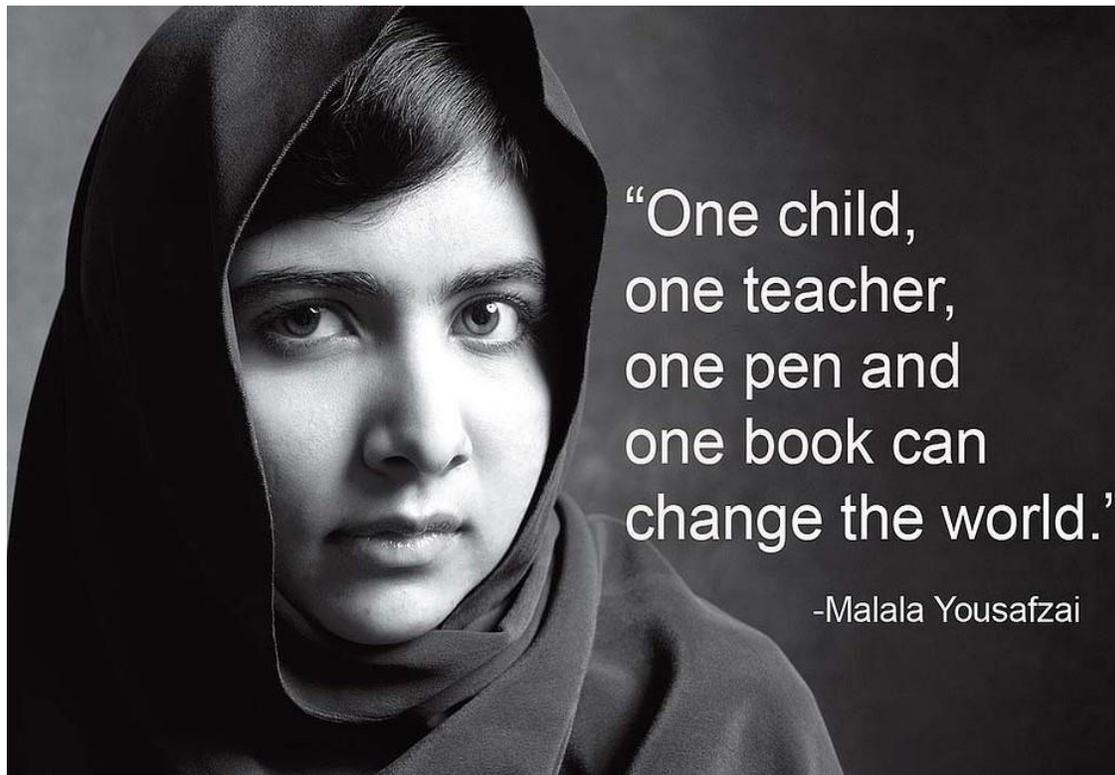
*There will be Rotary Expo hall where all clubs and projects of the District can have a stall to promote their major projects. This, we hope, will encourage other clubs from across the two Districts to either be involved with our club or perhaps to add some financial support.*

*The expo will be an area where an exchange of ideas can make us stronger; it has now been shown over the past two years collaboration between clubs is getting stronger. I believe that we can organize a stand for the expo with regards to our involvement in our projects that are underway.*

*Looking forward to us all being involved in this year's conference.*

*Allan Teale*

**IN RECONITION OF THE WINNER OF THE 2014 NOBEL PEACE PRIZE**



**CLUB MEETINGS**

15 October	How about a Newspaper Belinda Noonan
22 October	Power House Museum Musical Instrument Collection
29 October	Biomarker Research Study Hannah Openshaw BSc Hons
5 November	<p>ROTARY HEALTH</p> <p>FLICK THE SWITCH ON MENTAL ILLNESS</p> <p>pp Suzanne Freund</p>  <p><b>PARTNERS NIGHT</b></p>

**CLUB ACTIVITIES**

26 October	 pp Peter Smith
31 October	Homebush West P. S. BBQ Trailer from 3 pm
14-16 November	District Conference 2014 National Convention Centre, Canberra



**MEETING STATISTICS**

Members present	27
Partners	10
Guests of members	2
District Representatives	
Leaves of Absence	5
Apologies	7
No apologies	7
Make-Ups	0
Raffle	\$230.00
Sergeant-at-Arms	\$110.40

Birthday  12.10 Michelle Vatalis  15.10 Peter Manenti
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## **BOARD NEWS/ACTIVITIES**

### **A RENEWED APPROACH TO CLUB MEMBERSHIP INVITATIONS**

*How well is your classification represented in our Club  
Invite a prospective member to join you for a discussion  
Make use of the Rotary profile at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)  
Respond to questions about Rotary as contact is maintained  
At the Pride of Workmanship Meeting, accompany your invitee  
to hear from another member:  
"Why I joined Strathfield Rotary!"*

### **IT'S SOMETHING WE CAN ALL DO: EACH ONE, APPROACH SOMEONE**

### **ROTARY HEALTH HAT DAY**

*The Rotary Club of Strathfield will join over 1000 Rotary Clubs around Australia to raise funds for a mental health research project to help the one in five Australians who battle a mental illness at some point in their lives. An invitation is extended to your partners and friends that wish to participate, Wearing a hat, perhaps one from the Melbourne Cup. Wearing some sort of head covering provides the opportunity to be a prize winner. Guests are welcome Please notify the Club for catering purposes Contact Allan P*

	<p><b><u>ROTARY HEALTH HAT DAY</u></b> <b><u>FOR A MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT</u></b></p> <p><b><u>PARTNERS' NIGHT</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WEDNESDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2014</u></b></p> <p><b><u>WEAR A HAT THAT NIGHT FOR A SURPRISE</u></b></p> <p><b><u>Speaker pp Suzanne Freund</u></b></p>
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*I received a call from Eve Dutton's family today to advise that Eve had died overnight. Apparently her condition had deteriorated considerably during the last few weeks. Eve was a member of our Club for many years and one of our first lady members. She was the first woman to serve as the mayor of Strathfield. Eve was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2007 for service to local government and the community She moved from Strathfield to Brisbane in 2011 to be with family as her health began to fail.*

*Funeral arrangements are in the process of being planned. A memorial service in Sydney is likely.  
Sad news about an inspiring lady.*

*pp Rod McDougall*

## **HUMOUR**

***A large group of Taliban soldiers are moving down a road when they hear a voice call from behind a sand-dune.***

***"One Australian SAS soldier is better than ten Taliban".***

***The Taliban commander quickly sends ten of his best soldiers over the dune whereupon a gun-battle breaks out and continues for a few minutes, then silence. The voice then calls out "One Australian SAS soldier is better than one hundred Taliban".***

***Furious, the Taliban commander sends his next best hundred troops over the dune and instantly a huge gunfight commences. After ten minutes of battle, again silence. The voice calls out again "One Australian SAS soldier is better than one thousand Taliban".***

***The enraged Taliban Commander musters one thousand fighters and sends them across the dune. Cannon, rocket and machine gun fire ring out as a huge battle is fought. Then silence. Eventually one wounded Taliban fighter crawls back over the dune and with his dying words tells his commander,***

***"It's a trap. Don't send any more men. There's two of them."***

***A fleeing Taliban, desperate for water, was plodding through the Afghan Desert when he saw something far off in the distance.***

***Hoping to find water, he hurried toward the oasis only to find a Royal Marine selling regimental ties. The Taliban asked, "Do you have water?"***

***The soldier replied, "There is no water, the well is dry. Would you like to buy a tie instead? They are only 5 pounds."***

***The Taliban shouted, "You idiot infidel! I do not need an over-priced tie.***

***I need water! I should kill you, but I must find water first!"***

***"OK," said the soldier, "It does not matter that you do not want to buy a tie and that you hate me. I will show you that I am bigger than that, and that I am a much better human being than you. If you continue over that hill to the east for about two miles, you will find our Officers Mess. It has all the ice cold water you need.. "***

***Cursing him, the Taliban staggered away over the hill.***

***Several hours later he staggered back, collapsed with dehydration & rasped...***

***"They won't let me in without a bloody tie!"***

***Sherlock Holmes and Dr Watson were going camping. They pitched their tent under the stars and went to sleep. Sometime in the middle of the night Holmes woke Watson up and said: "Watson, look up at the stars, and tell me what you see." Watson replied: "I see millions and millions of stars." Holmes said: "And what do you deduce from that?" Watson replied: "Well, if there are millions of stars, and if even a few of those have planets, it's quite likely there are some planets like Earth out there. And if there are a few planets like Earth out there, there might also be life."***

***"Watson, you idiot, it means that somebody stole our tent."***

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