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Rotary Club of Strathfield



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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Year of 2018</i>	-	International Year of the Reef (IYOR)
<i>Month of May</i>	Rotary	Youth Service Month
<i>Weeks of May</i>		
20th-26th May	Australia	National Palliative Care Week
21st-28th May	Australia	Exercise Right Week 2018
21st-27th May	Australia	National Volunteer Week
<i>Days of May</i>		
16th May	International	Hae Day (Hereditary AngioEdema)
17th May	United Nations	International Day of Living Together in Peace
20th May	United Nations	World Bee Day
21st May	United Nations	World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development
22nd May	United Nations	International Day for Biological Diversity
23rd May	International	World Turtle Day
23rd May	United Nations	International Day to End Obstetric Fistula

President's Report

Last week's meeting

What a great meeting we had last week! The room was quite full with over 40 members and guests in attendance, and good variety in the program for the night. Of course it was primarily the RYPENians visiting us, with some parents and teachers in tow, that gave their report from last month's camp. As usual, we heard stories of life-changing and confidence-building experiences. I'm quite amazed that we're able to pull this off every single time with these

young folk. RYPEN really must be a great program!

The second component of the night was the official cheque presentation ceremony from the fundraising efforts of the RWHESCA Evening, held back in late March. We had with us representatives from the participating Western Harbour Rotary Clubs: Walter Bock, President of Burwood Rotary; Bas Schilders, President of Breakfast Point Rotary; and Bharathi Rengarajan, President of Granville Rotary, along with

several Granville Rotarians. There was nobody present from Drummoyne Club. We had Charles Mille, District Vocational Service Chair. We had DG Stephen Britten and his wife, Jane. We had our AG Renga Rajan (Bharathi's husband), as well as representatives from ARH and PCYC to receive the cheques. All in all, a nice way to conclude the RWHESCA event.

Rick's Run Wrap-up

OK, so the fundraising page for the Chalmers Road School bus fund is now officially closed, and (although at the time of writing I'm not sure of the precise amount raised), I believe we have attracted close to \$9,000.00 in total donations. Thanks once again to all the wonderfully generous donations made by our Club members and friends of the Club; much appreciated. I'm hoping that the Board (meeting last night) will approve my request for us to top the total to our target of \$10,000.00, from our Service Account funds. I'll let you know tonight how I fared!

Changeover Planning

I know that many of you are wondering when and where the Changeover Function will be. I am too! In all seriousness, we are zeroing in on a date and a venue (and may even be able to announce details tonight with a bit of luck). An email with these details will follow as soon

as this is confirmed. Thanks for your patience.

Member Inductions

OK, we have five new member inductions to complete in the next 5 weeks. These are always lovely ceremonies. Stay tuned for the details (which I will announce soon), and please come along to show support for our new members (the future of our Club!) when we're inducting them. A full room for an induction always provides a nice atmosphere for the new member. One that is already locked in is JP Baladi, whose induction is scheduled for 23 May 2018. JP is probably our youngest ever member; please come along and make his night special.

This week

We're back at the Ryde TAFE Training College, at the Ambassador Restaurant tonight. We all had a great night last time we were here; the food was super, and the students did a fabulous job in preparing, cooking and serving us all. I'm sure we're in for another treat tonight. Not much Rotary business on the agenda this evening. It's slated as a social evening with our partners. Let's enjoy some fellowship and good times with our friends. Thanks for getting us back here. Raymond!

Rick



Last week's speaker: RYPEN attendees

Rotary has a proud tradition of providing life-changing opportunities to young people the world over.

Our club recently sponsored students from Strathfield Girls High and Homebush Boys High.

Last week, we heard from these young people as they recount their

experiences at the recent RYPEN camp.

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*This Week's speaker: Transfer meeting to Ryde TAFE College (Ambassador Restaurant)*

Over the years, we have had a number of memorable and well attended dinners at the Ryde TAFE College. This week we revisit the

restaurant to experience another great meal prepared and served by their hospitality students.

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Next Week's event: Terry Chapman

Terry Chapman is currently Project Director, M4 Widening and M4 East for the Sydney Motorway Corporation.

road and rail tunnelling and communication.

Terry has more than 36 years' experience in project management in the engineering and construction sectors, including natural resources, power transmission, rail transport,

Terry holds a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering from the University of NSW, is a member of the Institute of Engineers and a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

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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 + Speaker write-up</i> |
| Wed 16th May 2018    | Dinner at the Ryde College of TAFE training Restaurant | -                   | -                                  |
| Wed 23th May 2018    | WestConnex<br><b>Terry Chapman</b>                     | Grahame True        | Allan Teale                        |
| Wed 30th May 2018    | Interplast<br><b>DGN Di North</b>                      | David Croft         | Usha Garg                          |

|                    |                                                              |                |                |
|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Wed 6th June 2018  | Fellowship meeting                                           | -              | -              |
| Wed 13th June 2018 | Autism<br><b>Peter Kerr</b>                                  | Guru Singh     | Chris Virgona  |
| Wed 20th June 2018 | Stepping up for the overseas poor<br><b>John Paul Baladi</b> | Gulian Vaccari | Janelle Watson |
| Wed 27th June 2018 | Ghost tour old Government House                              | -              | -              |

| <i>Birthdays</i>     |                 |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| 17 <sup>th</sup> May | Cheryl Ayres    |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> May | Richard Horwood |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> May | Rick Vosila     |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> May | Peter Smith     |

| <i>Anniversaries</i> |                                |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 21 <sup>st</sup> May | Dinesh and Usha Garg (wedding) |



## *Do You Know?*

**Rotary Youth Exchange** is one of Rotary's most popular programs to promote international understanding and develop lifelong friendships.

It began in 1927 with the Rotary Club of Nice, France. In 1939 an extensive Youth Exchange was created between California and Latin America. Since then, the program has expanded around the world. In recent years more than 7,000 young people have participated annually in Rotary-sponsored exchange programs.

The values of Youth Exchange are experienced not only by the high school-age students involved, but also by the host families, sponsoring clubs, receiving high schools and the entire community. Youth Exchange participants provide their fellow students in their host schools with

excellent opportunities to learn about customs, languages, traditions and family life in another country.

Youth Exchange offers young people interesting opportunities and rich experiences to see another part of the world. Students usually spend a full academic year abroad, although some clubs and districts sponsor short-term exchanges of several weeks or months.

Over 70 percent of all Rotary districts participate in Youth Exchange activities. Youth Exchange is a highly recommended program for all Rotary clubs as a practical activity for the enhancement of international understanding and goodwill.

*David Croft*



## *The statistics*

|                                    |                                         |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Attendance last meeting (09-05-18) | not avail                               |
| Leave of absence                   | not avail                               |
| Apologies                          | not avail                               |
| No apology                         | not avail                               |
| Club membership                    | <b>45</b>                               |
| Partners & Guests                  | not avail                               |
| Members Rotary activities          | Week ending 08-05-18: <b>13</b> [hours] |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |              |
|---------------------|--------------|
| Raffle              | \$ not avail |
| Sergeants session   | \$ not avail |



## *Your Committee 2017-2018*

|                          |                |               |                    |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------|
| President                | Rick Vosila    | Secretary     | Rod McDougall      |
| President Elect          | Charles Pitt   | 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 |
| Bulletin Printer | Selectprint   | Apologies             | Gulian Vaccari    |



## *Out and About: Bob and Jan Templeman*

**Sunday 15th April 2018**



ex-Strathfield Rotarian Bob Templeman with his wife Jan

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## *Out and About: Peter Smith at Concord*

**Sunday 6th May 2018**



Rtn Peter Smith (back row, 7th from left) at the C4C for Red Shield Appeal



**ROTARY HELP IS NEEDED WITH RED SHIELD DOORKNOCK APPEAL – DRIVERS ARE URGENTLY REQUIRED**

To continue providing high quality community services, the Salvo's need your help on the 28 May and Strathfield Rotary is challenged to make a difference by supporting the Salvo's Red Shield Doorknock Appeal!

**WHY DOES THE SALVATION ARMY NEED YOUR SUPPORT?**

With Australia going through a major economic transition and many individuals and families facing an uncertain future, The Salvation Army expects many more people will be in need of basic assistance with issues such as food stress.

Many people who have been well off in the past are now genuinely worried about their future.

The Salvation Army is in a unique position to help individuals and families who fall on hard times, whether it be with their immediate needs such as homelessness, food assistance through to working with people over the longer term with finance counselling; drug, alcohol and gambling rehabilitation

It may mean a roof to someone without a home or education support for a child at risk of dropping out of school.

**WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?**

Strathfield Rotarians are being asked to help drive 3 -4 local high school students to their designated collection areas, generally watch out for their safety – and return them back to the Counting House at Strathfield at Strathfield Town Hall.

You will of course need to have a WWCC number.

**If you have another commitment on the day perhaps you might like to make a tax deductible donation?**

**Please contact Peter Smith on 0412 232 753 or [selectedfinance@optusnet.com.au](mailto:selectedfinance@optusnet.com.au) if you would like to help - or if you need more information,**

