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# Rotary Club of Strathfield



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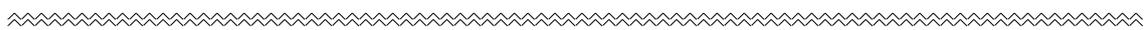
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### *Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes*

Year of 2018	-	International Year of the Reef (IYOR)
Month of March	Rotary	Water and Sanitation Month
Weeks of March		
-	-	-
Days of March		
28th Mar	Rotary	Preregistration discount ends for the Rotary International Convention
1st Apr	Rotary	Rotary Award for Excellence in Service to Humanity - nominations are due
2nd Apr	United Nations	World Autism Awareness Day
4th Apr	United Nations	International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action
6th Apr	United Nations	International Day of Sport for Development and Peace
7th Apr	United Nations	International Day of Reflection on the Genocide in Rwanda
7th Apr	United Nations	World Health Day



### *President's Report*

#### **Last Week - Our Last in the Old Clubhouse**

Well, the time finally came – our last ever meeting at the old Strathfield Golf Clubhouse, and what a night it was! There was such good fellowship in the room last week, with so many respected past members of our Club in attendance. We had almost 60 in total attendance to celebrate our 14 or so years in that venue, with some humorous reminiscences from

several current and past members. Thanks to all who came along to make it such a fun night.

Once more, I would like to offer my thanks – on behalf of the Club – to Peter and Kay, for looking after us for all the years they've been at the Club. It was noted at the meeting that the very first function they ever served since being appointed as the Golf Club caterers was the Strathfield Rotary

Club meeting of 1st August 2012. It was therefore fitting they serve our final meal at the Club too, almost 6 years later.

My thanks also to Brian and Richard for looking after us too, from behind the bar. We hope to see them both at the new venue in the near future.

### **RWHESCA Night**

Christine and I attended the inaugural RWHESCA Night on Saturday night, along with other Club Rotarians and partners: Domenico and Johanna Alvaro, Peter VdS, Roy Ellis and Chris Virgona. Of course, Paolo and Patricia Giammarco were there too! It was a great night of celebration for our local first responder heroes in the area, with worthy nominees awarded on the night and being put forward for the State (and now with ACT too) awards. These NSW and ACT awards will be presented on 1st June 2018 at the Bankstown Sports Club Awards Dinner.

Well done, Paolo... you pulled it off! It looked like a great team effort from the participating Clubs. Good job. Hopefully some photos from the night will make their way to us soon.

### **Catherine Sullivan Centre Ball**

OK, the next BIG thing on our calendar is the Catherine Sullivan Centre Gala Ball, to raise much needed funds for a Phonemic Awareness Program, for their hearing impaired students. You've heard Rtn. Andrew Aravanis speak about this for months now. It's now only 10 days away – next Friday, 6th April 2018. Event and booking details can be found on our Club website (thanks PP

Raymond!). Please come along to help us 'make a difference' to these young children with hearing loss. The goal is to fill Le Montage with over 200 guests, and raise \$50,000.00 on the night for this program. Let's do it!

### **This Week – our First at Massey Park Golf Club**

Welcome to Massey Park Golf Club! The Board hopes you like our new 'temporary' Club Meeting venue. We'll be here for at least three months, as we go through the process of deciding on our next 'permanent' home. The main factor precluding us from deciding to go straight back to the new Strathfield Golf Clubhouse is that we haven't been able to discuss and agree any arrangements with the Club's new caterer yet. As soon as we can and have agreed on satisfactory terms, we'll make that announcement. If we can't agree on terms, the 'Club Move' project team will recommend alternatives; we'll just have to wait and see.

Once again, many thanks to the 'Club Move' project team – led by Rtn. John Tsaprounis, with a LOT of the hard yards put in by Rtn. Arie Pappas, supported by PP Keith Byrn, PP Grahame True, PP Raymond McCluskie and Secretary Rod McDougall.

Tonight we'll be hearing from Bev Young on a program to alleviate poverty in Uganda – an important topic for Rotarians to understand, in an impoverished part of the world.

*Rick*



## *Last week's event: Final meeting at Golf Club*

The current Strathfield Golf Club Clubhouse has been the home of the Rotary Club of Strathfield for a number of years. Last week, we bid farewell before the 'grand old lady' is demolished. An apartment block will replace it.

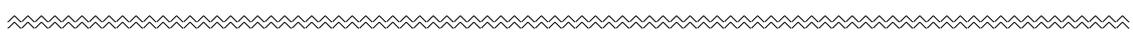
We also had our 'last supper' from Peter Park and Kay Kim.

We do have a temporary new home at Massey Park Golf Club, but last week was an opportunity to reminisce

about the soon to be demolished clubhouse and remember all the wonderful events we have held there over the years.

It was a tremendous night. Wonderful to see so many previous members and their spouses attend.

For more of the photos taken on the night, take a look at the "Out and About" section towards the end of this newsletter.



## *This Week's speaker: Beverley Young*

Beverley Young OAM, will tell the heart-warming and personal story of her involvement in a poor community in Uganda, where she has worked to help, through a small mission group from Longueville, and Compassion International.

Beverley, and her husband Ian, have visited this project 6 times over a 10-year period, 2007 to 2017, and have seen amazing progress for their efforts, particularly in raised living standards, health and education.



## Next Week's event: No meeting

With the Catherine Sullivan Centre holding their Gala Ball next Friday, there will be no meeting next week.



## 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 28th Mar 2018	Education to Alleviate Poverty in Uganda <b>Bev Young</b>	Peter van der Sleen	Richard Horwood
Wed 4th Apr 2018	No meeting. Transfer to 6-4-18	-	-
Fri 6th Apr 2018	Catherine Sullivan Centre Gala Ball	-	-
Wed 11th Apr 2018	Speech Pathology and rehabilitation <b>Elizabeth Kemp</b>	Charles Pitt	Anuradha Kamkolkar
Mon 16th Apr 2018 Five Dock Rotary	Exploration of outback Australia: The Len Beadall story <b>Vera Liondas</b>	-	-
Wed 18th Apr 2018	Transfer to Rotary Club of Five Dock on 16-Apr	-	-
Wed 25th Apr 2018	ANZAC Day – No meeting	-	-

<i>Birthdays</i>	
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Peter van der Sleen
10 <sup>th</sup> April	Allan Teale

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
11 <sup>th</sup> April	Ross and Joan Brown (wedding)



## Do You Know?

Each May or June, Rotary International holds a worldwide **International Convention** "to stimulate, inspire and inform all Rotarians at an international level."

The convention, which may not be held in the same country for more than two consecutive years, is the annual meeting to conduct the business of the association.

The planning process usually begins about four or five years in advance. The RI board determines a general location and invites cities to make proposals. The conventions are truly

international events which 20,000 to 40,000 Rotarians and guests attend.

All members should plan to participate in a Rotary International convention to discover the real internationality of Rotary. It is an experience you'll never forget.

The 2018 Rotary Convention will be held in Toronto, Canada from 23rd to 27th June. The last convention held in Australia was in Sydney in 2014.

*David Croft*



## The Statistics

Attendance last week (21-3-18)	not avail
Leave of absence	not avail
Apologies	not avail
No apology	not avail
Club membership	<b>43</b>
Partners & Guests	not avail
Members Rotary activities	Week ending 21-03-18: ?? [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
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## *Out and About: Last ever meeting at the old Golf Club*

**Wednesday 21st March 2018**



Grahame True with his 'safety socks'  
Margery Foss and Stephen Taylor





Keith Byrn flanked by caterers Peter Park and Kay Kim



Irrepressible Ted Ingall before his famous party trick being interviewed by Pres. Rick

## *Out and About: Upcoming Events*

**Friday 6th Apr 2018**

Catherine Sullivan Centre Gala Ball

*A sound start begins with*  
**Catherine Sullivan**  
**centre**

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# Save The Date!!

**Gala Fundraising Dinner for 'A Sound Start'**

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018  
7.00 for 7.30pm  
Le Montage, Lilyfield

For more information please contact:  
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*Funds raised by the dinner will go towards a  
Phonemic Awareness Program especially designed  
for children with hearing loss.*

RAFFLES AUCTIONS DANCING Strathfield Rotary Club GREAT FUN FABULOUS LUCKY DOOR PRIZES

