



STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

DISTRICT 9675
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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Month of May</i>		
-	Rotary	Youth Service Month
<i>Weeks of May/June</i>		
25th-31st May	UN	Week of Solidarity with the Peoples of Non-Self-Governing Territories
27th May-3rd June	Aust	National Reconciliation Week
31st May-1st June	Rotary	Rotaract Preconvention, Hamburg, Germany
31st May-1st June	Rotary	Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention, Hamburg Germany
1st June-5th June	Rotary	Rotary International Convention, Hamburg, Germany
<i>Days of May/June</i>		
29th May	UN	International Day of UN Peacekeepers
31st May	UN	World No-Tobacco Day [WHO]
1st June	UN	Global Day of Parents
3rd June	UN	World Bicycle Day
3rd June	Aust	Mabo Day
4th June	UN	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression
5th June	UN	World Environment Day
5th June	UN	International Day for the Fight against Illegal, Unreported and Unregulated Fishing

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## *From the President's Desk*

Hi Fellows,

### **Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal**

On Sunday, we were the support for Rotarian Peter Smith, the Project Manager, for Strathfield's Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal. At 9.00 am, some there earlier, collector teams for students from St Patrick's College,

Strathfield Girls High, Homebush Boys High and the members of Meriden School Interact Club, assembled at Strathfield Town Hall. Rotarians hovering grouping up with their team of 4 students, the map, the kits, and off they went. My students were from St Patrick's College. We drove up to Hunter Street, mobile

phone number confirmed and the boys were off in pairs. After Hunter, around the corner to Thomas and then down Cameron, finishing near 11.00. Back to the Town Hall, checked in the collection bags, good-byes and thank you, a Big Mac Voucher. It was fun, chatting with the boys, and thanks to them for espying a Lamborghini parked in a drive, I would have missed it. Joining us was District Governor Di North. Thanks Di for being part of our Club project. Also Di will be at the Club Changeover.

Back at the Town Hall, who has come in but George Hallworth, offering help, but I suspect checking how his daughters Susan and Leslie are going organizing the collection routes, the maps and briefings, then wandering through to the counting house, former Rotarians Connie Galletta and Keith Stockall with Kathy are working alongside Graham True and Rod McDougall. It could have been 2007.

As I left at 11.30, the teams were still coming in, a perfect community and youth project. The collection would not occur but for the students of the participating schools. When the announcements are made of the sums and success of the day is lauded, it should be remembered, it was the students who were knocking on the doors, or now pushing intercom buttons. Congratulations to the participating schools, well done, also to Peter Smith and his team for bringing it all together.

### **Best wishes to Jodie McKay**

On behalf of the Club, we send our best wishes from the Rotary Club of Strathfield, to our Honorary Member, Jodie McKay, who is putting herself forward in the leadership ballot of the Australian Labour Party in the NSW Parliament. I ask all who support our Club, please listen to Jodie's speech on her Facebook page, speaking when accepting the nomination. It is a very humbling speech. Whatever the outcome of the ballot, I can say from all of us at Rotary, Jodie you are the best, with no doubt! Go Jodie.

### **Club Changeover**

My Rotary year as President is drawing to an end, and President Elect Arie is ready to start. Please click on the web and Face Book page to book and pay. You don't have to be a member, if you want to be there, you're welcome, stacks of room and you know us. We are the same, as you may have last seen, but with more fun.

### **Poem**

The poem is for our travellers, when queuing to clear customs. It is titled Pressure,  
<https://www.poetrylibrary.edu.au/poets/murray-les/pressure-0570045>

It is short poem by Les Murray, from Bunyah, half way between Gloucester and Forester, on the mid north coast. Link on Gloucester,  
<http://www.aussietowns.com.au/town/gloucester-nsw>

*Charles*



## *Last week's speaker: Tiz Porreca*

I would like to thank Tiziano Perraco for a really interesting insight into the world of marketing and branding.

Tiz explained the different aspects and techniques of Marketing and

cleared some of our member's doubts at the end of the session.

*Summary by Jaya Challa*



Tiz (centre of photo)

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## *This week's speaker: Rinshu Jain*

Rinshu works at Broadcast SEO, a specialized Web design and SEO company based in Sydney Australia.

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## *Next week's speaker: Alexey Proposenko*

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## *Reports from Directors*

From Wednesday 22-05-19

### **Arie Pappas**

Advised that he recently attended the President's Elect meeting. He advised that the following were discussed

1. Update on Polio Plus

2. Rotaract Clubs are now full members of Rotary
3. A vote on the merger of the to Sydney Districts was held. Our Club is against the proposal, but our District (9675) voted in favour. District 9685 voted

against. However, there will be a joint District Conference next year.

4. There are upcoming District meetings for the different portfolios. Details to be advised by Arie.

### **Rod McDougall**

Advised that all members should receive a copy of either “Rotary Down Under” or “the Rotarian”.

Our Club received certificates of appreciation from Chalmers Road for the assistance we gave for their election day BBQ. More than \$3,000 was raised on the day.



## *Reports from members*

From Wednesday 22-05-19

None.



## *Dates for the Calendar*



| <i>Rotary Events</i> |                                                                 |                     |                                               |
|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| <i>Day/Date</i>      | <i>Event/speaker</i>                                            | <i>To introduce</i> | <i>To thank<br/>+ <b>Speaker write-up</b></i> |
| Wed 29nd May 2019    | What's new in web design<br><b>Rinshu Jain</b>                  | Ed Dunlop           | Dimitry Palmer                                |
| Wed 5th June 2019    | Web Application<br><b>Alexey Proposenko</b>                     | Roger Vince         | William Carney                                |
| Wed 12th June 2019   | tba                                                             | Raymond McCluskie   | Gulian Vaccari                                |
| Wed 19th June 2019   | Technology Updates You<br>Need to Know<br><b>Richard Scenna</b> | Domenico Alvaro     | Allan Teale                                   |
| Sat 22nd June 2019   | <b>Club Changeover</b>                                          | -                   | -                                             |
| Wed 26th June 2019   | No meeting                                                      | -                   | -                                             |

| <i>Birthdays</i> |   |
|------------------|---|
| -                | - |

| <i>Anniversaries</i> |                                    |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 31st May             | David and Margaret Croft (Wedding) |
| 1st June             | Joseph Saad (Rotary)               |
| 1st June             | Allan Teale (Rotary)               |



## *The Statistics*

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance last meeting (22-05-19) | 19        |
| Leave of absence                   | 5         |
| Other absence                      | 4         |
| Apologies                          | 9         |
| Late apology                       | 0         |
| No apology                         | 9         |
| Club membership                    | <b>46</b> |
| Make-ups advised                   | 0         |
| Partners                           | 0         |
| Guests                             | 3         |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Raffle              | \$200.00 |
| Sergeants session   | \$73.75  |



## *Your Committee 2018-2019*

|                          |                     |              |                 |
|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| President                | Charles Pitt        | Secretary    | Rod McDougall   |
| President Elect          | Arie Pappas         | Sergeant     | Grahame True    |
| Immediate Past President | Rick Vosila         | Treasurer    | Rod McDougall   |
| Youth                    | Peter van der Sleen | Community    | Thaya Ponniah   |
| International            | Chris Virgona       | Vocational   | Usha Garg       |
| Public Officer           | Rod McDougall       | Club Service | Paolo Giammarco |

|                  |               |            |                   |
|------------------|---------------|------------|-------------------|
| Bulletin Editor  | Bradley Ayres | Web master | Raymond McCluskie |
| Bulletin Printer | Selectprint   | Apologies  | Gulian Vaccari    |
| Facebook master  | Charles Pitt  |            |                   |



## Raffles Roster

In the Rotary spirit of sharing the load, 'raffles Rick' has devised a roster so all members can activity participate in our weekly raffles.

*Here are the rules of the game:*

1. This is a test of your accountability and responsibility. If you are rostered on for a particular night, you are accountable and responsible for running the raffle on that night. Please don't let your club down.
2. On your night, you do the lot: arrange the prizes beforehand (three prizes is all we need; be creative with them); announce the raffle; sell the tickets; tally the money; manage the draw; and make it a huge success. I will assist if needed. We can also enlist the support of other members on the night for ticket selling, etc.
3. If you can't make it on the night, you must arrange to swap your shift with someone else on the roster (early!). Don't just let it slip by so we don't have a raffle on the night.
4. If on the night that you're rostered on we have a Transfer Meeting (or no meeting) and so no raffle is required, you get the night off; bonus!

| <i>Date</i>           | <i>Rostered on</i>                              | <i>Date</i>    | <i>Rostered on</i> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Wed, 29 May 19</b> | <b>Prabhat Sinha<br/>(but performed by Rod)</b> | Wed, 19 Jun 19 | Arie Pappas        |
| <b>Wed, 5 Jun 19</b>  | <b>Guru Singh</b>                               | Wed, 26 Jun 19 | Dimitry Palmer     |
| Wed, 12 Jun 19        | Joseph Saad                                     |                |                    |

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Guest Speaker Roster

Date	Introducer	Thanker/Write-up
Wed, 29 May 2019	Ed Dunlop	Dimitry Palmer
Wed, 5 Jun 2019	Roger Vince	William Carney
Wed, 12 Jun 2019	Raymond McCluskie	Gulian Vaccari
Wed, 19 Jun 2019	Domenico Alvaro	Peter van der Sleen

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## *Out and About: Charles' selected poem*

### Pressure

by Les Murray (1938 -2019)

A man with a neutral face  
in the great migration  
clutching his shined suitcase  
queueing at the Customs station:

*Please (yes, you) open your suitcase.  
He may not have understood.  
Make it snappy. Open it! Come on!  
Looking down out of focus did no good.*

*Tell him to open his suitcase!  
The languages behind him were pressure.  
He hugged his case in stark reluctance.  
Tell him put suitcase on the counter!*

Hasps popped, cut cords fell clear  
and there was nothing in the suitcase.

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## *Out and About: Red Shield Appeal*

Sunday 26th May 2019



Maree and Penny

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Grahame, Connie, Kathy and Keith

Family and Friends  
Welcome

Strathfield  
**Rotary**  
Club



**Club Changeover**

**Strathfield Golf Club**  
Saturday 22 June 2019

Information/registration: [events.humanitix.com.au/changeover2019](http://events.humanitix.com.au/changeover2019)

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