



STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Year of 2018</i>	-	International Year of the Reef (IYOR)
<i>Month of November</i>	Rotary	Foundation Month
	Australia	ALPHA-1 Awareness Month
	Worldwide	Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month
<i>Weeks of November</i>		
5th-11 Nov	Rotary	World Interact Week
6th-12th Nov	UN	International Week of Science and Peace
11th-18th Nov	Australia	Australian Pollinator Week
12th-18th Nov	Australia	National Recycling Week
<i>Days of November</i>		
10th Nov	UN	World Science Day for Peace and Development
10th Nov	UN/Rotary	Rotary Day at the UN 2018
11th Nov	Australia	Remembrance Day
14th Nov	UN	World Diabetes Day

From the President's Desk

Hi

It is a week off to 11 November. Next Sunday, in London and throughout the UK there are celebrations. In London, a ticketed event for street viewing, for a march along Horse Guard Parade, past the Cenotaph, where the Queen is to lay a wreath. Sadly there is not the same pomp here in Sydney. Not sure why. Australia lost 62,000 men. A memorial is in every town, an Honour Roll in every hall and church. My poem this week is "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae.

Rod is reminding the members of the forthcoming Annual General Meeting and the Board Elections for the next Rotary year with President Elect, Arie Pappas. An important spot on the Board will be the President Elect for the next year. It is the Club President for year commencing 01 July 2020 through to 30 June 2021. President of our Club is an honour, and a fulfilling position. It is not as demanding as may be imagined, because our Club members support each other, I know. We could not complete the events we do if this was not the case. If there is doubt, the membership will carry you through.

Pride of Work at our Club turns 21. It is amazing, an award that was commenced as a vocational project, honouring those who were in business in the locality. The award was named after the deceased Rotarian, Ray Sherry, a local plumber. Roy Ellis, who has lived in the area for a number of years, remembers Ray

doing work for him, easy going and completing the job well.

Our family Christmas Party is be on Thursday 6 December 2018 at Nonna's Restaurant. Planning is underway for a wonderful night. Prepare for fun!

Charles

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### *Last Week's speakers: RYPEN attendees*

As has been the custom for many years, the Rotary Club of Strathfield has sponsored young people to attend the RYPEN weekend camps, for them to be our guests and tell the members of their experiences. Each participant enthusiastically shared different aspects of the recent camp held at Telford in the Royal National Park. The five fine young people told of the positive experiences enjoyed in a varied programme (games, personal development, friendship, great guest speakers) designed to make the weekend unforgettable and a wish for

it to be longer. They all spoke well to the acclaim of the members present. RYPEN is for young people aged 14 to 16 years and is one of the great RI programmes in the New Generations Portfolio.

Write-up by Roger Vince

Pictured below are Anastacia Pappas (Meriden), Alexia Pappas (Santa Sabina), Ben Jorgenson (HBHS), Aryan Sharna (HBHS) and Keith Chan (HBHS)



## *This Week's speaker: Greg Rappo*

RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness) program is another fantastic Rotary Initiative. It has been running for several years, and our club had been involved previously.

Greg is the Program Director, and will bring us up to date with the latest.



## *Next Week's speaker: Gabriella Kovac*

Gabriella Kovac has written fictional books for adults and children. She also authored a non-fiction book about one woman's bravery and daring in Hungary during the

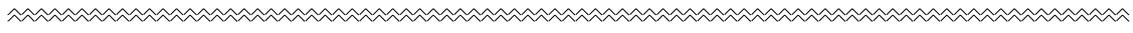
Holocaust, and then through the brutal communist regime; "Georgina: Holocaust Survivor".



## *Director's reports*

From Wednesday 31-10-18

None advised.



## *Member's reports*

From Wednesday 31-10-18

None advised.



## *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 7th Nov 2018     | RYDA<br><b>Greg Rappo</b>        | Rick Vosila         | Chris Virgona                          |
| Wed 14th Nov 2018    | Author<br><b>Gabriella Kovac</b> | Gulian Vaccari      | Dimitry Palmer                         |

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|-------------------|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|
| Wed 21st Nov 2018 | Pride of Work                               | -                  | -         |
| Wed 28th Nov 2018 | Rotary Solar Lights<br><b>Jay Thorogood</b> | Nick Hamilton-Kane | Keith Bym |
| Wed 5th Dec 2018  | AGM and elections                           | -                  | -         |
| Thur 6th Dec 2018 | Member's<br>Christmas party                 | -                  | -         |
| Wed 12th Dec 2018 | TBA                                         | TBA                | TBA       |
| Wed 16th Jan 2019 | Strathfield Croquet Club                    | -                  | -         |

| <i>Birthdays</i> |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|
| 7th Nov          | Dimitry Palmer      |
| 9th Nov          | David Croft         |
| 10th Nov         | Jan van der Sleesen |

| <i>Anniversaries</i> |      |
|----------------------|------|
| -                    | none |



## *The Statistics*

|                                    |           |
|------------------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance last meeting (31-10-18) | 15        |
| Leave of absence                   | 2         |
| Other absence                      | 4         |
| Apologies                          | 5         |
| No apology                         | 19        |
| Club membership                    | <b>45</b> |
| Make-ups advised                   | 0         |
| Partners                           | 0         |
| Guests                             | 5         |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Raffle              | \$200.00 |
| Sergeants session   | \$58.40  |

## 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  | TBA           |            |                   |

## 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!

| <b>Date</b>          | <b>Rostered on</b>               | <b>Date</b>    | <b>Rostered on</b> |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--------------------|
| <b>Wed, 7 Nov 18</b> | <b>Raymond McCluskie</b>         | Wed, 30 Jan 19 | David Croft        |
| Wed, 14 Nov 18       | <b>Marvin Manrique-Velasquez</b> | Wed, 6 Feb 19  | Jaya Challa        |
| Wed, 21 Nov 18       | Chris Haseldine                  | Wed, 13 Feb 19 | Bill Carney        |
| Wed, 28 Nov 18       | Paolo Giammarco                  | Wed, 20 Feb 19 | Keith Byrn         |
| Wed, 5 Dec 18        | Nick Hamilton-Kane               | Wed, 27 Feb 19 | Bradley Ayres      |
| Wed, 12 Dec 18       | Usha Garg                        | Wed, 6 Mar 19  | Andrew Aravanis    |
| Wed, 19 Dec 18       | Rod McDougall                    | Wed, 13 Mar 19 | Paul Anton         |
| Wed, 26 Dec 18       | NA                               | Wed, 20 Mar 19 | Domenico Alvaro    |
| Wed, 2 Jan 19        | NA                               | Wed, 27 Mar 19 | Thaya Ponniah      |
| Wed, 9 Jan 19        | NA                               | Wed, 3 Apr 19  | Rick Vosila        |
| Wed, 16 Jan 19       | Mathew Elias                     | Wed, 10 Apr 19 | Janelle Watson     |
| Wed, 23 Jan 19       | Ed Dunlop                        | Wed, 17 Apr 19 | Chris Virgona      |

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

**In Flanders fields.** By John McCrae (1872–1918)

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place: and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Ref:  
<https://www.awm.gov.au/index.php/commemoration/customs-and-ceremony/poems>

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## *Out and About: Remembrance Day*

**Sunday 11th November 2018**

*“Remembrance Day has a special significance in 2018.*

*Sunday, 11 November 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18).*

*One hundred years ago, on 11 November 1918, the guns of the Western Front fell silent after four years of continuous warfare. With their armies retreating and close to collapse, German leaders signed an Armistice, bringing to an end the First World War. From the summer of 1918, the five divisions of the Australian Corps had been at the forefront of the allied advance to victory. Beginning with their stunning success at the battle of Hamel in July, they helped to turn the tide of the war at Amiens in August, followed by the capture of Mont St Quentin and Pèronne, and the breaching of German defences at the Hindenburg Line in September. By early October the exhausted Australians were withdrawn from battle. They had achieved a fighting reputation out of proportion to their numbers, but victory had come at a heavy cost. They suffered almost 48,000 casualties during 1918, including more than 12,000 dead.*

*In the four years of the war more than 330,000 Australians had served overseas, and more than 60,000 of them had died. The social effects of these losses cast a long shadow over the postwar decades.*

*Each year on this day Australians observe one minute’s silence at 11am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts.”*

Taken from: <https://www.awm.gov.au/commemoration/remembrance-day>

## *Out and About: New Meriden Interact officers*

**Sunday 29th October 2018**



Peter van der Slessen, Roger Vince and Elizabeth Owen with the incoming Meriden Interact officers

(Photo by Rod McDougall)

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## *Out and About: Rotary Pride of Work*

**Wednesday 21st November 2018**

Dear Rotarians,

As I hope you are all aware, the 2018 Pride of Workmanship Awards will be held at Carnarvon Golf Club on Wednesday 21 November at 6:15 for 7:00pm.

This promises, as usual, to be a wonderful event. Not only will we enjoy the company of our fellow Rotarians and their partners and guests but we have some very deserving awardees. What is more, we expect to be joined by John Manenti, son of our own Rotarian Peter, and currently coach of the world-conquering Australian Women's Rugby Sevens team. Wine and soft drinks will be provided on the table and canapés will be served before dinner.

We will be supporting the Chalmers Road School through the raffle.

Please could we encourage you not only to come along yourselves but also to bring some guests to enjoy the evening. I'm sure everyone will have a great time and it will help to make the event a roaring success.

Tickets for the event, priced at a very modest \$40, can be purchased securely on-line through the Humanitix site that we have now used for a number of events. This is very easy to access and use through the following link

<https://events.humanitix.com.au/powa> We would encourage you strongly to order through this ticketing system because this will enable us to track bookings and will save administration on the night.

If you have difficulty in accessing the system, it will be possible to pay for your tickets in advance at a club meeting or by EFT (for details see below). In this case, please can you let me know (cc Usha), including names of guests and any dietary requirements.

Please could you place your orders by Friday 16 November at the latest.

We look forward to seeing you and your guests at the event.

Kind regards,

Nick Hamilton-Kane

Pride of Workmanship Awards - Ticket Payment by EFT

BSB: 633000

Account: 146249156

Amount: \$40 per adult, \$20 per child (16 or under)

Notation: POWA and last name of ticket purchaser

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Out and About: Rotary Christmas party

Thursday 6th December 2018

