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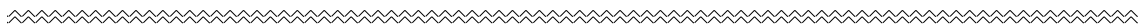
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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

Month of June	Rotary	The Rotary Foundation's 100th anniversary
	Rotary	Rotary Fellowships Month
	Rotary	Rotary International Convention, Atlanta, Georgia, USA (10th-14th June)
Days of June	United Nations	World Day Against Child Labour (12th June)
		International Albinism Awareness Day (13th June)
		World Blood Donor Day [WHO] (14th June)
		World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (15th June)
		International Day of Family Remittances (16th June)
		World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought (17th June)
		International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict (19th June)
		World Refugee Day (20th June)



Steve's Snippets

Hi everyone.

To our valued special guests and our members and their families, welcome to our last "event" meeting of the year.

We have had some great functions this year, however this type of

function occurs very infrequently, and so I hope will be special.

Having one person serve voluntarily in an organisation like Rotary for 40 years is an achievement, but having six members from the same club plus two visitors is extraordinary. And not forgetting another three who couldn't be present for this evening.

Can you imagine how many sausages they have cooked, how many Salvo's collections, how many District assemblies and conferences attended, and how much money the Sergeant liberated them of.

Rotary has always been a big part of my life, and continues to this very day 40 years on.

Rotary has changed a great deal in 40 years, our members are older and fewer, however one constant remains, the projects we are involved in and the assistance we provide are needed just as much now as they were 40 years ago.

Probably the most gratifying project any of us has been involved in is Polio

Plus. Started by Australian RI President Clem Renouf some 30 years ago. In those 30 years we have thankfully seen Polio drop from 350,000 cases per year to 2 only this year. This is surely one of Rotary's greatest achievements.

I hope you all will enjoy some of the reminiscences from the awardees, and some pictures, details and information from that time we all remember as 'the seventies.'

Have an enjoyable evening everyone, this is an evening unlikely to be repeated soon.

President Steve



Last Week's Guest Speaker: Fellowship night



This Week's Event: Members with 40+ years

Tonight we celebrate those members, most of whom are past and present members of the Rotary Club of Strathfield who have served Rotary in excess of forty years. Namely, A Bala, David Croft, Peter Foss, George

Hallworth, Christopher Haseldine, Peter Manenti, Raymond McCluskie, Ray Reed, Michael Sullivan, Stephen Taylor, and Roger Vince.



Next Week's Speaker: Changeover

A **big** night for outgoing President Stephen Taylor and incoming President 'Emperor' Rick Vosila.

Changeover will be held Saturday, 24th June at Strathfield Golf Club.



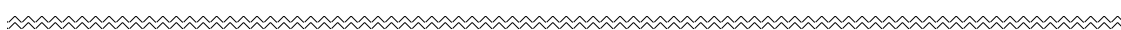
Dates for the Calendar



<i>Rotary Events</i>	
<i>Friday 16th June 2017</i>	<i>Celebration of members who have each been in Rotary for 40+ years (Strathfield Golf club)</i>
<i>Wednesday 21st June 2017</i>	<i>No meeting (transfer to 24-6-17)</i>
<i>Saturday 24th June 2017</i>	<i>Changeover (Strathfield Golf club)</i>
<i>Wednesday 28th June 2017</i>	<i>Club Assembly</i>

<i>Birthdays</i>	
<i>7th June 2017</i>	<i>Edward Dunlop</i>
<i>13th June 2017</i>	<i>Afaf Helou</i>

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
<i>7th June 2017</i>	<i>A and Devi Bala</i>
<i>10th June 2017</i>	<i>Domenico and Johanna Alvaro</i>
<i>19th June 2017</i>	<i>Peter van der Sleen</i>
<i>20th June 2017</i>	<i>Peter Smith</i>



Rotary Celebrities and Projects

On 16th June, International House at Sydney University will celebrate “50 years of International Understanding and Friendship.”

In 1961, plans were drawn up for Rotary-sponsored International Houses to be located at the University of Sydney and the University of NSW, to provide University residence for overseas students; an ambitious project of Rotary clubs in the District covering the Sydney metropolitan and nearby country areas.

The underlying aim was to promote goodwill and understanding among the students who would be occupying these Houses from time to time.

Rotary’s fund-raising role was vital to the establishment of International House and individual Rotarians and particular clubs have continued to assist in relation to matters of governance through their membership of the Council of International House, as well as through fund-raising and out-reach programs.

The Board (Council) is appointed by the University Senate, consisting of 22 members drawn from the University and the community with one representative of Senate, three from Rotary and three International House residents.

Since 1967, over 5,000 residents have lived in the House, representing over 100 nationalities. About 40% of these residents have come from Australia, 45% have been undergraduates, 40%+ have been women.

In a carefully nurtured environment, boundaries are crossed, cultural gaps are bridged and people of vastly divergent beliefs learn to accept differences in thought and tradition.

Truly another Rotary success story.

Given the celebration of members with forty plus years of commitment to Rotary, David Croft has walked down 'memory lane' to remind us...

REMEMBER 40 YEARS AGO?

- Malcolm Fraser was Prime Minister and Neville Wran was NSW State Premier.
- Australia's population was just over 14 million and we accepted our first major intake of 418 refugees from Vietnam.
- On the 18th January, Australia experienced its worst railway disaster at Granville in which 83 people died.
- When Don Chipp pledged to "keep the bastards honest" a new political force was born. The Australian Democrats would become the party to halt the damming of the Franklin, elect Australia's first female party leader, and pass the GST.
- Anti-drugs campaigner Donald Mackay disappeared near Griffith
- Australia's first 7-Eleven convenience store opened in Melbourne.
- The world of cinema was changed forever with the release of Star Wars.

- World Series Cricket, spawned by Kerry Packer in 1977, would bring the 'gentleman's' game into a new era of popularity.
- Overseas, Jimmy Carter was elected President of the United States
- New York City was blacked out for 25 hours resulting in looting, arson & vandalism
- The first Concord commercial flight occurred between London and New York.
- Elvis Presley, The King of Rock and Roll, was found dead on his bathroom floor on 16 August.
- On January 1, the Commodore PET, considered the world's first all-in-one home computer, was demonstrated at the Consumer Electronics Show in Chicago and on January 3, a little business called Apple Computer was incorporated (although it had been founded in 1976)
- Back in Australia, Merv Perry was President (1976-77) of a young and vibrant Rotary Club of Strathfield followed by Bob Taylor (1977-78) - Bob was later to become Strathfield's first District Governor. Merv noted in his Changeover report "the monstrous fireworks night at Concord Oval ---- the public arrived in force but not through the turnstile ----- How could I forget what was probably the first financial failure by the Club". Bob particularly noted the visit to the Club by RI President-Elect Clem Renouf and an unprecedented membership expansion with 14 new members inducted.

Happy memories

David Croft



The statistics

Attendance last week	17
Leave of absence	3
Apologies	5
No apology	10
Club membership	35
Partners	0
Guests	0
Members Rotary activities	Week ending 7-6-17: 41 [hours]

<i>Funds raised last week</i>	
Raffle	\$160.00
'Heads and tails'	\$18.00
Sergeants session	\$58.00

Your Committee 2016-2017

President	Stephen Taylor	Secretary	Peter van der Sleen
President Elect	Rick Vosila	Sergeant	Grahame True
Immediate Past President	Allan Petersen	Treasurer	Rod McDougall
Youth	Arie Pappas	Community	Andrew Aravanis
International	Rick Vosila	Vocational	Not filled
		Club Services	Bradley Ayres

Bulletin Editor	Bradley Ayres	Web master	Raymond McCluskie
Bulletin Printer	Selectprint	Apologies	Gulian Vaccari

Fines Sessions Roster

Here is the list of names and dates for you to record. If you are unable to deliver the fine session on your designated night could you please organise a replacement and let me know.

14 th June	Andrew Aravanis	21 st June	Usha Garg
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Out and about: Strathfield Youth Awards held Wednesday 24th May 2017





*Out and about: Dinner at Crossways Hotel
on Wednesday 31st May 2017*



And someone didn't leave empty handed!

