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Club of Strathfield



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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

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| Month of October | Rotary | Membership and New Club Development Economic and Community Development |
| Days of October | Rotary United Nations | Rotary World Polio Day 23 October United Nations Day 24 October World Cities Day |

President Steve's Snippets

Question. How do you lose complete control of a meeting in 10 seconds.

Answer. You hand the microphone to rampaging Rick and his sidekick Arie and let them loose with five returning RYPEN students.

Seriously though, Rick's extrovert style combined with Arie's unique questions resulted in a very enjoyable interchange with these amazing girls from Meriden and Strathfield Girls.

This week and the coming weekend are going to be quite busy, and I hope our club members will rise to the challenge and help out two important events.

Firstly, as you have all been made aware, this Sunday is Graffiti Removal Day and Peter Smith really needs the help of our Rotarians

Secondly, Saturday and Sunday is the Muscle Car Masters meeting at Eastern Creek Raceway, now Sydney Motorsport Park. The Board agreed to support this event some months ago because for relatively little effort and time commitment, the Club receives \$2.00 per program sold. Making in excess of \$1,000 over the weekend is entirely possible

We need about 5 to 7 volunteers on Saturday and 8 to 10 on Sunday. The time commitment is from around 7.30 am to around midday. I have spoken about both these events for weeks now. However one week out, as this is written, commitments to both events are very low, disappointingly low.

Fellows, please do what you can to assist with either or both these events. We simply cannot let the people organizing these events, and relying on us to participate, be left with an inadequate response.

We are obliged to meet our commitments.

Finally, I hope everyone is enjoying the relaxed atmosphere and fun of our meetings this year. If you are enjoying the meetings and the great guest speakers being organized by director Bradley Ayres, then please let your fellow Rotarians, and past Rotarians, know, and encourage them to attend our meetings.

As you are aware, we have another big evening with Pride of Workmanship in a few weeks, some more great vocational talks, and more interesting guest speakers, culminating in a

great Christmas party at Angelo's on the Bay on Wednesday December 14.

I hope to see a number of you at Eastern Creek this coming weekend

President Steve



RYPEN Students from the Meriden School and Strathfield Girls High School

Last Week

Who can make a life talk that included family, career, hobbies and safari suits into a truly fascinating and entertaining night? None other than President Stephen Taylor!

Stepping in at short notice, members were treated to an insight into Stephen's life via a montage of photos that spanned decades.

Stephen grew up in Liverpool, NSW, in a house his father built. Leaving school he did an architectural drafting certificate course at TAFE. He started his own practice with a partner soon after completing the course, and grew this into a very successful business. Whilst it was an architectural firm, and Stephen was doing architectural work, for a number of years, he was not a registered architect. This changed in 2005, when, at the encouragement of his wife Denise, he sat and passed all the interviews and tests to quantify as an architect.

Stephen has been married to Denise for over forty years and has two children, Lynda and Adrian. He recently became a grandfather with the birth of Zoe Next to his family and career, Rotary has clearly been big part of Stephen's life. He joined Moorebank Rotary in 1977 as a charter member and served as president in 1986-87. In 1999, Stephen joined Strathfield Rotary where he served as president in 2002 -2003 and again this year.

Stephen has a passion for many things, and construction is one of them, if not buildings, then intricate, working models of boats and tanks. And the safari suits. Well, when you have documented your life as well as Stephen has through photographs and have been an adult in the 1970's, then expect to be captured displaying the sartorial elegance of a safari suit or two

Bradley Ayres

This Week

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IT'S MORE THAN JUST OILS ... IT'S LIQUID ENGINEERING



Diana Hall *GUESTS WELCOME*
Castrol Marketing Director
Australia and New Zealand
Wednesday 26 October 2016
6:15 for 6:30 pm
Strathfield Golf Club
Dinner \$25

Bookings/Enquiries Ed Dunlop eddunlop@hotmail.com

Rotary Celebrities and Projects

Hawaiian Duke Kahanamoku, Olympic swimming gold medalist, regarded as the father of surfing, was a member of the Rotary Club of Honolulu. His surfing exhibition at Sydney's Freshwater Beach on December 24, 1914 is widely regarded as a seminal event in the development of surfing in Australia

October is Vocational Service month. Each Rotary club's membership represents a cross-section of its community's business and professional population, which ensures diversity in experience and perspectives. Classification and vocational service go hand in hand. Just as Rotarians represent their vocations in Rotary, so do they represent Rotary in their vocations.

As Rotarians, we can put the ideals of Vocational Service into action by : talking about our vocation in the club using our professional skills to serve in our community practising our profession with integrity, and inspiring others to behave ethically through our own words and actions helping young people to achieve their career aspirations guiding and encouraging others in their professional development.

Monday 24 October is World Polio Day, which was established by Rotary International over a decade ago to commemorate the birth of Jonas Salk, who led the first team to develop a vaccine against poliomyelitis, this developed by Albert Sabin and leading d to the establishment of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988.

REMEMBER, NO CHILD IS SAFE UNTIL POLIO IS COMPLETELY ERADICATED FROM OUR WORLD!

David Croft

Members Notes

Arie, do you have a HUGE cheque requisition that needs signing But what you say is true. *Brad*

When I came across the Treasurer's Awards my impression was that they would receive many applications I also imagine that their selection criteria would be complex & political. Thus the likelihood of one winning is miniscule. However, for me the importance is recognition, appreciation & thanks from your peers. It is no secret how highly you are regarded by all of us, not just for being capable which comes naturally to you but for being thoughtful which requires effort & attitude. *Arie*

I would like to thank you for the Commonwealth Bank Not-For-Profit Treasurers Award nomination, announced at last week's meeting. I never really thought of my activities as award winning - but who knows. I have had the benefit of learning from many good treasurers before me, maybe there is a chance.

Apparently, over 1,500 nominations have been received this year - so I am not reserving shelf space for an award just yet! But your thoughtfulness in nominating me is sufficient reward. It's great to be appreciated.

A typical "Arie gesture" - many thanks *Rod*

Please find a summary of the elected leadership group for the Meriden Interact Club 2017. Incoming President Daisy Hannaford attended RYPEN in April this year. Note the current, 2016, Interact President, Katerina Mesterovic, has gone on to be Meriden School Captain for 2017, clearly excellent leadership.

2017 Interact Leaders

President – Daisy Hannaford
 Vice President – Georgina Vimalaratnam
 Treasurer – Julia Eskander
 Secretary – Emma Carbone

Arie Pappas

Dates for the Calendar



Rotary Events

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| Wednesday 26 October 2016 | Product Branding Diana Hall, Marketing Director, Castrol |
| Wednesday 2 November 2016 | The Rotary Foundation Past Governor Paul Reid, Rotary Foundation Representative The Rotary Foundation and its Works |
| Saturday 9 November 2016 | Rotarian Dr, Sinhaa Prabat Rotary sponsored program for school education dealing with obesity and diabetes |
| Sunday 16 November 2016 | Vocational Talks |
| Saturday 23 November 2016 | Pride of Workmanship Award <i>Do it once, do it well</i> Strathfield Golf Club, Centenary Drive, Strathfield Partners Night, 6.30 for 7.00 |

The Statistics

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| Attendance last week | 15 |
| Leave of absence | 3 |
| Apologies | 12 |
| No apology | 8 |
| Club membership | 38 |
| Partners | 3 |
| Guests | 3 |
| Members Rotary activities hours | |

| <i>Funds raised last week</i> | |
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| Raffle | \$125.00 |
| Sergeant | \$51.10 |
| 'Heads and tails' | \$24.50 |

To assist us to comply with an RI directive that the Club collect data on the hours members spend each week working on Rotary business, can you please provide me with the hours you estimate you have spent over the last week on Rotary business.
Ed Dunlop

Applications for RYLA 2017, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, are now open. Our closing date for applications was Wednesday 12th October but please direct enquiries and applications to our RYLA Chair, David Croft. Detailed information on RYLA program is available from the following link
<http://www.rotarydistrict9675.org.au/Page/ryla>
Arie Pappas

Events Requiring Immediate Member Participation



GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY 2016

Graffiti Removal Day is being held this year on Sunday 30 October, 8.30-11.00am
The commitment sheet was circulated at last Wednesday night's meeting and we need more volunteers to put their hands up.

The day will attract a number of Interactors, Rotaractors and community volunteers and it would be wonderful if this project and day could also be as well supported by Strathfield Rotarians as it has been in the past.

Peter Smith

Your Committee 2016-2017

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| President | Stephen Taylor | Secretary | Peter van der Sleen |
| President Elect | Rick Vosila | Sergeant | Grahame True |
| Immediate Past President | Allan Petersen | Treasurer | Rod McDougall |
| Youth Director | Arie Pappas | Community Director | Andrew Aravanis |
| International Director | Rick Vosila | Vocational Director | Gulian Vaccari |
| Club Services Director | Bradley Ayres | | |
| Bulletin Editor | Andrew Kowalski | Web master | Raymond McCluskie |
| Bulletin Printer | Selectprint | Apologies | Gulian Vaccari |

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| <i>Birthdays</i> | None |
| <i>Rotary Anniversary</i> | Rick Vosila October 21 |
| <i>Anniversary</i> | None |