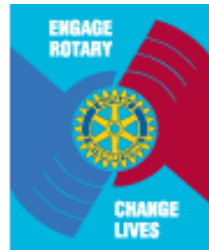




STRATHFIELD ROTARY NEWS

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October is Vocational Service month - emphasising Rotary's contribution to the second Avenue of Service

President Suzanne's Report

Thank you Trevor, for an informative presentation on your life in England and your career path, as a scientist over many years. We appreciate the time you spent in your preparation and the opportunity to share a glimpse of your life experience.

Presidential Activities

Monday evening was spent with fellow Rotarians at Concord Rotary club meeting as they highlighted their focus for 2013 in the support of the Concord Hospital Mental Health Unit – specifically in support a youth program for children who have a family member (usually a parent) living with a mental illness. This project provides support and fellowship through a respite program during the holidays for twenty five young people.

Thursday evening was another training evening for presidents focusing on meeting procedure and the need to develop the role of members within our club – by engaging them in projects.

CURRENT PROJECTS

Another group of members, co-ordinated by Peter Smith worked on two sites and prepared three other sites ready for painting. Your commitment is gratefully acknowledged and appreciated Peter.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED FOR SYDNEY CONVENTION 2014

This is a great opportunity to show your volunteer skills to your fellow Rotarians when they attend the Rotary Convention in Sydney in June 2014. Assistance will be needed from approximately May 26 to June 5 to welcome all Rotarians from near and far at airports, hotels and other transport hubs such as Central Station and Circular Quay, Olympic Park and the Convention Venue.

You can select the dates, times and venues that are most convenient to you.

You will receive identification by means of vests, name badges and caps, free public transport to your selected venues, assistance from fellow volunteers who will be venue coordinators and online or local orientation training for your role and venue.

To apply go to www.rotary2014.com.au. Just go to the volunteer tab for more information and an application form. For more information contact Marilyn Mercer at mmm@myisp.net.au or Barry Philps at philpsb@aol.com

COMMUNITY HEAVYWEIGHTS BACK GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY

Some of the largest community organisations in NSW will join forces on Sunday, October 20 for what promises to be the biggest Graffiti Removal Day yet.

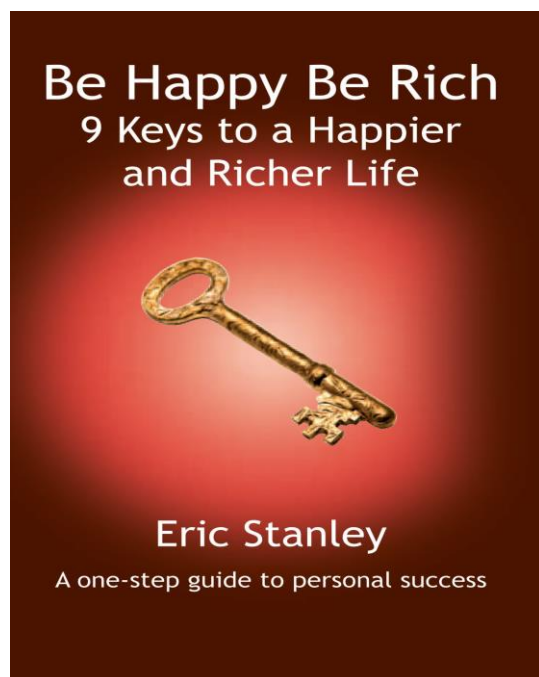
This year NSW Government and *Rotary Down Under* will run the State-wide graffiti removal and prevention day with the support of a wide range of community organisations, including Australian Men's Shed Association (NSW Branch), Scouts and Girl Guides.

"This is the first time such a broad cross section of community groups in NSW have volunteered their time to join the fight against graffiti," Attorney General Greg Smith SC said. "It is inspiring to see there is already so much support for Graffiti Removal Day and we are now encouraging local councils, sporting clubs, businesses and other organisations to get involved," Mr Smith said.

President Suzanne

TONIGHT'S MEETING

Eric Stanley - author of *Be Happy Be Rich*,



Happiness Keys. They are the keys to happiness and happiness is your key to success. Each Happiness key has exercises that will allow you to fully integrate happiness into your life.

Eric's interest in the principles of success, self-help and motivation began in the late 1960s when he was in the top four percent of life security consultants.

Eric delivers a high impact presentation based upon some of the principles from his book *Be Happy Be Rich*. It is enjoyable and informative and will help members' live happy and abundant lives.

Last Week

Member Talk – PP Trevor Duxbury

A really great presentation by PP Trevor which he titled TREV or "The Really Early Version" complete with musical accompaniment. Trevor told us about growing up in the north of England and the experiences of growing up in industrial city made up mainly of cotton weaving mills and where it was normal for many children to leave school at a young age to work in the mills. However, Trevor with encouragement of his mother went on to college and University in Liverpool UK and later moving to Australia and to Sydney University where he completed a PHD and then continued on to establish as very successful Academic career within the *Department of Microbiology, University of Sydney*.

Announcements

Kevin Freund

Provided a BBQ for Strathfield Girls High on the occasion of their 60th anniversary.

Thanks to Peter Smith, Keith Stockall, Rod McDougall and Kevin Freund for giving up their time.

Allan Teale

Last Friday night we provided supervisory support to the Homebush Boys High School

Interact club social harbour cruise. Thanks to Peter Smith, Keith Stockall and Allan Teale

Roger Vince

Advised the current President of the Meriden Interact club (Anastasia) has been confirmed as school captain for the 2014 year.

Grahame True

Advised he had been in touch with Niall King whilst Niall travelling "OK" Carol was having a struggle.

Niall reported the MS fundraising ball held recently raised \$185,000.

Rod McDougall

Advised the Secretary would circulate the name of Gulian Vaccari, past mayor of Strathfield and current Alderman, for consideration for membership.

Congratulations to those who have birthdays and anniversaries next week:

Birthdays

4 October Fiona Johnson
5 October Grahame True

Anniversaries

5 October Ted & Mary Ingall

60TH Wedding Anniversary

Rotary Anniversaries

Nil

MEETING STATISTICS	25.9.13
Members present	23
Partners	0
Guests	1
	24
Leaves of Absence	5
Apologies	11
No apologies	10
Make-Ups	1
Raffle	\$167.00
Sergeant-at-Arms	\$73.50



Bradley Ayers, with daughter Madeline, displays his poor contribution to the Sergeant's fine session.

FUTURE CLUB MEETINGS

Date	Topic
9/10/2013	Travelling Con Men – David Rosenberg
16/10/2013	The Great Debate – St Patrick's College Strathfield & Homebush Boys High
23/10/2013	Arnott Biscuits History – PP Claude Bennie
30/10/2013	Teacher Training in Nepal – Dr Anne Prescott
6/11/2013	Partner Talk – Denise Taylor

13/11/2013	Pride of Workmanship
20/11/2013	NSW Small Business Commissioner – Yasmin King
27/11/2013	Salvo's Street Level – Mitch & Robyn Evans

FUTURE CLUB EVENTS

Date	Event
13/10/2013 (Sunday)	BBQ – Beyond Blue Mason Park
20/10/2013 (Sunday)	Graffiti Removal Day (NSW Wide)
26/10/2013 (Saturday)	BBQ – Ashfield Infants Home
18/11/2013 (Monday)	Rotary Foundation Dinner – meet RI President Elect 2014/2015 Gary C K Huang 6.30 pm Epping Club

Graffiti Gone!



Flemington, Sunday, 29 September 2013

PP Trevor Duxbury and PP Peter Manenti apply finishing touches to a shop shutter, previously covered with graffiti. Cr Andrew Soulos can also be seen hard at work.

Others present were project chair, Peter Smith, Tony Lanzafame, David Martin, Rod McDougall, Grahame True and Paul White.

Thanks to the generosity of an appreciative store keeper, delicious custard tarts were enjoyed by the team during a (naturally brief) morning tea break.

The next clean-up is planned for NSW Graffiti Removal Day on Sunday, 20 October 2013.

Rotary 

Save the Dates

Pride of Workmanship Awards 2013 **13 November**

Vocational Services Director Paul White and his team are hard at work to ensure another successful awards evening. It will be a partners night
Wednesday, 13 November 2013
 6:30 for 7:00 pm
 Strathfield Golf Club

Partners Night

Membership Evening **20 November**

Yasmin King, NSW Small Business Commissioner
Special Guest Speaker

An outstanding opportunity to invite friends and colleagues, especially those in business, to learn about Rotary and to listen to and meet Yasmin King.
Wednesday, 20 November 2013
 6:15 for 6:30 pm
 Strathfield Golf Club

Colleagues Welcome

Rotary Club of Strathfield

Rotary Foundation Trustee chair's message

Every year, 6.9 million children die before reaching their fifth birthday. Almost two-thirds of them – 4.4 million – die of infectious diseases, nearly all of which could have been prevented.

If Rotarians provide insecticide-treated nets, fewer children will succumb to malaria. If we dig wells and address sanitation problems, more children will have clean water to drink and a lesser risk of falling ill with waterborne diseases. And if Rotary clubs carry out effective nutrition projects, we can save some of the almost 2.6 million children who die each year from malnutrition. We can do even more by providing a community with a trained birth attendant, a visiting nurse, a simple clinic, or a school food program. These are direct ways to save children's lives.

In 2008-09, I asked Rotarians to open their eyes to the needs of children in communities near and far. There's no better time than now to focus on giving all children the opportunity to have the future they deserve.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee
Trustee Chair 2013-14