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Club of Strathfield



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Rotary, United Nations and Australian Themes

<i>Year 2021</i>		
-	UN	International Year of Peace and Trust
-	UN	International Year of Creative Economy for Sustainable Development
-	UN	International Year of Fruits and Vegetables
-	UN	International Year for the Elimination of Child Labour
<i>Month of March</i>		
-	Rotary	Water and Sanitation Month
<i>Weeks of March</i>		
15th-21st March	Aust	Harmony Week
21st-27th March	UN	Week of Solidarity with the Peoples Struggling against Racism and Racial Discrimination
<i>Days of March</i>		
19th Mar	Aust	National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence
20th Mar	UN	International Day of Happiness
20th Mar	UN	French Language Day
21st Mar	UN	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
21st Mar	UN	World Poetry Day
21st Mar	UN	International Day of Nowruz
21st Mar	UN	World Down Syndrome Day
21st Mar	UN	International Day of Forests
22nd Mar	UN	World Water Day
23rd Mar	UN	World Meteorological Day

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## President's Report



**Usha Garg**  
*President*

***"Good fortune is what happens when opportunity meets with planning."***

Thomas Edison

This is the story of last week. There was a happy union of an opportunity offered and timely planning to create "good fortune"

Last Wednesday's successful premier event in honour of women was also in perfect alignment with the theme for 2020-21, Rotary Opens Opportunities, which encourages Rotarians to seize opportunities to open doors and create

pathways to connect with the communities we serve.

A detailed report on this wonderful evening and how many Rotarians got together to bring this to life will follow in next week's bulletin along with succinct summaries of the talks by our guest speakers.

This Wednesday we will hear from Peter Marzec & Alexey Prokopenko on an interesting topic "The Magic behind bringing Technology and Processes together

*Usha Garg*

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## *Speaker from last week: Lisa Moloney*



## *Speakers for this week: Peter Marzec & Alexey Prokopenko*

Dr Pete has worked in Australia, Malaysia, China & UK leading business transformation initiatives in ASX100 firms and in top tier consulting with KPMG, helping clients deliver break throughs in operational efficiency and productivity.

Pete has received global recognition for this work having received the prestigious Shingo Research Prize for Operations Excellence, and the Emerald Publishing Research Award

in recognition of exceptional doctoral research.

Pete is now the Managing Director of Elm Professional Services, a firm specialising in business process improvement and professional services for small businesses. Prior to this, he was an Associate Director in KPMG Operations Excellence Practice leading the Energy & Natural Resources, and Government/Health Sector verticals.

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## *Reports from Directors (repeat as events are upcoming)*



**Rod McDougal**  
*Treasurer*

"Fellows,

Graffiti Removal Day will be held Sunday 28 March this year. I am assisting Peter Smith with the planning for our club's involvement.



The commitment sheet can be found at:

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/198Nmo96ZtrTylc\\_5EBb\\_mypZnlNeGvRj/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/198Nmo96ZtrTylc_5EBb_mypZnlNeGvRj/view)

Please let Peter or me know if you can assist - by reply email, phone or SMS. The sheet will then be updated.

Peter has been very busy and a site to be cleaned has been identified (in Strathfield, behind Dan Murphy's). Paint and other supplies are being arranged by him.

Volunteers are now being sought. And you and your family, friends and colleagues are invited to assist on the day - between 8:30 and 11:30 am.

Everything will be provided. And the work very safe (no "ladder work" will be involved).

Some of the area to be cleaned is shown (top right). More will be undertaken depending on manpower resources!!!



Our club has supported graffiti removal for many years, providing a great community service for which we have been recognised by the NSW government. Hope you can assist this year. Rod!).

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**Peter Smith**  
*Youth Service Director*

“1) HBHS Interact Club

The lads will be having their annual World’s Greatest Shave, in support of the Leukaemia Foundation on 11 March. Last year they raised in excess \$1,000. This year their funds will be boosted by a bucket collection at the previous 2 Concord Rotary Markets.

2) RYPEN will be held on 7, 8 and May at Camden,

3) The Youth Awards were booked for Friday 7 May - but because of RYPEN starting of 7/5/21 the Awards were moved to Wednesday 5 May. However. Due to Council bookings for the hall, the event is now planned for 14 May.

4) Please also mark your diaries for the following events:

Graffiti Removal Day - 28 March  
Red Shield Appeal - 30 May.”

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**Janice Barrett**  
*Vocational Service Director*

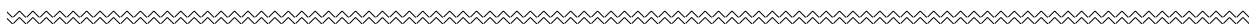
***Save the date!***

**ANZAC DAY**

Our Club is having a brunch at Strathfield Golf Club on Sunday, 25th April to commemorate Anzac Day. The Service will commence at approximately 9.00 a.m. Cost will be \$30.00 per person.

A raffle will be held with the proceeds going to a group associated with Open Arms – Veterans & Families Counselling which assists veterans returning with PTSD. You may remember last year's Anzac Day Service and this is another opportunity to honour our veterans.

If you would like to donate a prize for the raffle, could you please contact me. Many thanks.





## 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</b><br/>write-up</i> | <i>Venue</i>      |
| Wed 17th Mar         | <b>Peter Marzec &amp; Alexey Prokopenko</b><br>“The Magic behind bringing Technology and Processes together”                   | Alexey Prokopenko   | Janelle Watson & Alexey Prokopenko                | Zoom              |
| Wed 24th Mar         | <b>Julian Day</b><br>Founder & CEO Consensus Group<br>“Predicting the future – Consensus Awards”                               | Janelle Watson      | Janelle Watson                                    | Golf Club         |
| Sun 28th Mar         | <b>Graffiti Clean-up Day</b>                                                                                                   | -                   | -                                                 | Near Dan Murphy's |
| Wed 31st Mar         | <b>Narelle Brown</b><br>Community Engagement Officer<br>Energy & Water Ombudsman NSW<br>“Role of the Energy & Water Ombudsman” | Janelle Watson      | Gulian Vaccari                                    | Zoom              |
| Sun 25th April       | <b>Anzac Day<br/>Celebration Brunch</b>                                                                                        | Jan Barrett         | -                                                 | Golf Club         |
| Sat 29th May         | <b>50th anniversary of the<br/>Rotary Club of Strathfield</b>                                                                  | -                   | -                                                 | Golf Club         |

| <i>Birthdays</i> |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| 17th March       | Joan Brown      |
| 21st March       | A Bala          |
| 22nd March       | Maree McDougall |

| <i>Anniversaries</i> |                               |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 23rd March           | Joe and Sharon Saad (Wedding) |

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The Rotary Statistics

Attendance last meeting (10-03-21) – Golf Club	21
Club membership	44
Honorary Members	1
Partners	16
Guests	29

<i>Funds raised</i>	
Raffle	\$1,020.00
Sergeant's session (Fun Fines Session)	\$17.00

Your Committee 2020-21

President	Usha Garg	Secretary	Dimitry Palmer
President Elect	Thaya Ponniah	Sergeant	Nick Hamilton-Kane
Immediate Past President	Arie Pappas	Treasurer	Rod McDougall
Youth	Peter Smith	Community	Allan Teale
International	Thaya Ponniah	Vocational	Janice Barrett
Public Officer	Rod McDougall	Club Service	Alexey Prokopenko

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Photos from last week's International Women's Day Event













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FIRST DAY OF ISSUE 6 APRIL 2021
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TO celebrate 100 years of Rotary in Australia, Rotary is celebrating the past, but more importantly looking into the future, with many new projects that deliver real, long-term solutions to the world's most persistent issues. During the centenary celebration, there will be events, fundraisers and initiatives to bring about positive change in the region and throughout the world. Two significant projects are End Trachoma, and Rotary Give Every Child A Future. Australia is the world's only developed country with trachoma, an infectious eye disease that can be prevented with good hygiene practices. Rotary wants a trachoma-free Australia by 2021. Rotary Give Every Child A Future will give life-saving vaccines to 100,000 children across the Pacific and ensure generations of children and women are protected against cervical cancer, rotavirus and pneumococcal disease. As People of Action, Australian Rotarians look forward to the next century of service.

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