

STRATHFIELD ROTARY BULLETIN

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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 Nov</i>		
-	Rotary	Rotary Foundation Month
<i>Weeks of Nov</i>		
-	-	-
<i>Days of Nov</i>		
25th Nov	UN	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
26th Nov	UN	World Olive Tree Day
29th Nov	UN	International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People
31st Nov	UN	Day of Remembrance for all Victims of Chemical Warfare

President's Report



Thaya Ponniah
President

My fellow Rotarians and friends of Rotary,

Rotary always overcomes tough times!

Rotary members have not only been present at major events in history - but we've also been a part of them. Three key

traits have remained strong throughout our history:

- **We're truly international.** Only 16 years after being founded, Rotary had clubs in six continents. Today, members in nearly every country work to solve some of our world's most challenging problems.
- **We persevere in tough times.** For example, Germany, Italy, Japan, and Spain were forced to disband during World War II. Yet, despite the risks,

many continued to meet informally, and after the war, Rotary members came together to rebuild their clubs and countries.

- **We're committed to service, and we're not afraid to dream big and set bold goals.** For example, the fight against polio in 1979 with a project to immunize 6 million children in the Philippines. Today, polio remains endemic in only three countries - down from 125 in 1988.

Woven through the fabric of virtually every community on earth, service clubs of Rotary International were working safely and diligently to maintain connections with each other and our neighbours so that we could cope with, and overcome, the effects of COVID-19. In addition, we were leveraging the strength of our combined networks of members to provide comfort and hope to those feeling the effects of isolation and fear.

In these times of uncertainty, the Rotary Club of Strathfield remained committed to meeting the challenge of finding innovative ways to take action together to help communities around the globe heal and thrive - and become more united than ever.

"The global effort against COVID-19 depends on actions taken in every country. As people of action, this is our time to connect to offer immediate help to people in need." - Mark Daniel Maloney, Rotary International President, 2019-2020.

The scale and magnitude of this global pandemic require our world's citizenry to heed the advice and cautions of the experts. The work and plans of our collective members and volunteers must not cease! Our immediate response after the crisis will be necessary to support local Governments' response to many social and economic challenges that will ensue in its aftermath.



Rotarians at the Rotary Club of Strathfield don't miss out in any opportunity to give. We give help to the helpless and hope to the hopeless. We also take a stand when it matters; to save humankind and serve the needy people. We always step out to address the 'need of the hour'. Whatever the project, our Rotarians contribute very generously.

"Rotarians are very much more favourable disposed toward action than they are toward words." Paul Harris

Yours in Rotary,

Thaya Ponniah



Director Reports



Nick Hamilton-Kane
Secretary

Dear Rotarians,

The AGM of the Rotary Club of Strathfield, Inc will be held on Wednesday 1 December, 2021 after the regular meeting.

I attach the following documents for your information:

1. Notice and Agenda of Annual General Meeting
2. Call for Nominations for the 2022-2023 Board
3. Board Nomination Form
4. Draft minutes of AGM held on 2 December, 2020

[See pp 7-9 – Ed]

Best regards,

Nicholas Hamilton-Kane
Secretary
Rotary Club of Strathfield, Inc

Event from last week: A night of acknowledgements

COVID-19 put a stop to the official Changeover ceremony to have taken place on 26 June 2021. A challenging year for everyone including me. With lockdown opening, eventually got the opportunity to present our Club's acknowledgements and thanks for 20-21.

first time Paul Harris Fellow and treasurer PP Rod McDougall added another sapphire of many! Your contribution is admirable. More details in our annual report.

Usha Garg

Congratulations to Strathfield Rotary's three Paul Harris Fellows - Voc. Dir. Janice Barrett & Lawyer Ms. Pallavi Sinha named





Speaker for this week: Mark Anderson

Mark Anderson is the Senior Coordinator, International Fund Development for Rotary International, based at the South Pacific & Philippines Office in Parramatta

Mark has been in this role since February 2013. The Senior Coordinator's overall objective is to proactively assist with increasing the level of funding received by The Rotary Foundation (TRF) of RI.

The Senior Coordinator supports and assists the South Pacific and Philippines Office Manager for The Rotary Foundation in the overall development and the implementation of fundraising strategies in the region, which will

embrace all aspects of the fund development process.

One of the key elements of the role is the active promotion, monitoring and support of the "Every Rotarian, Every Year" (EREY) initiative, and the support of volunteer fund development activities within the geographic region served by the South Pacific and Philippines Office (SPPO).

Mark is a member of the Rotary Club of Beecroft.

His previous roles were with Woolworths Liquor (BWS), Bayer Material Science and Mars PetCare.

Dates for the Calendar



<i>Rotary Events</i>				
<i>Day/Date</i>	<i>Event/speaker</i>	<i>To introduce</i>	<i>To thank + Speaker write-up</i>	<i>Venue</i>
Wed 24th Nov	Mark Anderson Rotary Foundation Major Donor	Nella Hall	Ying Ho	Zoom
Wed 1st Dec	AGM Chaired by David Croft	-	-	Golf Club
Wed 8th Dec	Anita Sajo and Doug Abel How one small business hired 26 of our newest Australians and wants to help you do the same	TBA	TBA	Zoom
Wed 15th Dec	Club Xmas party	-	-	Golf Club
Wed 22nd Dec Wed 5th Jan	Club recess	-	-	-
Wed 12th Jan	Croquet	-	-	Strathfield Croquet Club

<i>Birthdays</i>	
27th November	Navya Mathew
28th November	Rod McDougall

<i>Anniversaries</i>	
25th November	Roger and Janice Vince (Wedding)
25th November	Andrew Aravanis (Rotary)
27th November	Gulian Vaccari (Rotary)
30th November	Allan and Kate Teale (Wedding)
1st December	Edmund Brown (Rotary)
1st December	Paolo Giammarco (Rotary)
1st December	Peter Manenti (Rotary)
1st December	Keith Byrn (Rotary)

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## The Rotary Statistics

|                                                |           |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| Attendance last meeting (17-11-21) – In-person | 26        |
| Club membership                                | <b>50</b> |
| Partners                                       | 0         |
| Guests                                         | 13        |

| <i>Funds raised</i> |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Raffle              | \$220.00 |
| Sergeant's session  | \$152.70 |

## Your committee 2021-22

|                          |                 |              |                    |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------------|
| President                | Thaya Ponniah   | Secretary    | Nick Hamilton-Kane |
| President Elect          | Andrew Aravanis | Sergeant     | Keith Byrn         |
| Immediate Past President | Usha Garg       | Treasurer    | Rod McDougall      |
| Youth                    | Ying Ho *       | Community    | Rick Vosila        |
| International            | Roy Ellis       | Vocational   | Alexey Prokopenko  |
| Public Officer           | Rod McDougall   | Club Service | Arie Pappas        |

\* Position was held by the late Peter Smith

|                  |                   |                |                       |
|------------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Bulletin Editor  | Bradley Ayres     | Web master     | Raymond McCluskie     |
| Bulletin Printer | SelectPrint       | Apologies      | Peter van der Slessen |
| Social Media     | Alexey Prokopenko | Programs Chair | Gulian Vaccari        |

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**ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD INC  
NOMINATION FOR 2022-23 BOARD**

I, \_\_\_\_\_  
(full name of proposer)

**being an active member of Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc, nominate**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(full name of active member being nominated)

**for a position on the 2022-23 board as follows:**

*[ For those positions being nominated, **mark them with an X** ]*

- ☐ President-elect / vice-president \*
- ☐ Director (one of five positions)
- ☐ Secretary
- ☐ Treasurer

*\* Will assume the position of president 1 July 2023*

*[ Multiple nominations may be made, but an individual may occupy only **one** position on the board ]*

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of proposer)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**I accept the above nomination.**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
(signature of active member being nominated)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Return completed form to Secretary Nicholas Hamilton-Kane by 1 December  
2021,  
preferably by email.  
Email: [nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com](mailto:nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com)**



**ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD INC  
CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2022-2023 BOARD**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc will be held on Wednesday, 1 December 2021 at Strathfield Golf Club (following the regular club meeting).

At the annual meeting, elections will be held for the members of the 2022-2023 board and nominations are now being called for the following positions:

- President-elect / vice-president (will assume the position of president on 1 July 2023)
- Directors (five positions)
- Secretary
- Treasurer

President Thaya Ponniah will serve on the 2022-2023 board as the immediate past president.

Nominations must be submitted to the Secretary by email at [nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com](mailto:nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com) by 5 pm, 1 December 2021. Nominations will **not** be accepted from the floor at the AGM.

The form is attached to this email.

Nicholas Hamilton-Kane  
Secretary  
Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc

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15 November 2021





**ROTARY CLUB OF STRATHFIELD INC  
50<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

- Date:** Wednesday, 1 December 2021
- Time:** 8:00PM  
(following the conclusion of the Club's scheduled Wednesday night in-person meeting)
- Location:** Strathfield Golf Club  
52 Weeroona Road, STRATHFIELD NSW 2135
- Apologies:** Please send any apologies to Secretary Nicholas Hamilton-Kane via email at [nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com](mailto:nickhamiltonkane@gmail.com)

**AGENDA**

1. Open & Welcome by Chairman PDG David Croft.
2. Apologies.
3. Minutes of the 49<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, held 2 December 2020.
4. Business arising from the minutes.
5. Report on activities of the club during 2020-21.
6. Financial statement for year ended 30 June 2021.
7. Election of directors and officers for the year 2022-23.
8. Election of the president-elect / vice-president for the year 2022-23.  
(who will assume the position of club president on 1 July 2023).
9. Appointment of auditor for 2021-22 review of financial accounts.
10. Other business.
11. Close.

Nicholas Hamilton-Kane  
Secretary 2021-22  
Rotary Club of Strathfield Inc