

## ***RAY'S PUTTS***

Last week, we heard from four of the Strathfield candidates seeking election in the local government elections on 8 September. Each of the candidates was introduced by Rod Rimes and was given 4 minutes each to provide us with their hopes and aspirations for Strathfield if elected. Following all the presentations time was available for questions.

The candidates were thanked by Peter Smith.

I reminded the candidates that 5 of our Rotarians had served as alderman and some as Mayor for up to 3 terms and collectively had served the Strathfield community for over 150 years.

Our guest speaker next week is none other than one of Australia's leading Bush Poets. "The Rhymer from Ryde". Winner of over 150 awards for his written and performance of Bush Verse, Graeme spends his days travelling the country spruiking his tales of the Australian way of life through comedy Bush Poets performances. He joins us with tales taken from his new 2 x CD set of "Aussie" poetry entitled "Home Brew". This CD was nominated for 'CD of the Year' at the Tamworth Country Music Festival in January 2012 and a single from the CD was also *nominated* for "single of the Year" as well. The CD's will be available on the night.

*President Ray*