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District 9790

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

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**We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and
we pay our respects to their forebears past and present.**



All present next Wednesday are summoned by
President Judy to wear something

RED!

Happy Valentine's Day 2018!

Business Innovation Awards
Rotary Club of Preston



Adam Brislin and Lucy Grant, Courtney Krause, Paul Smarrelli

BUSINESS INNOVATION AWARDS: With his wide experience in business Rotarian **Paul Smarrelli** was the right person, aided by **Lisa Difazio**, to chair the award presentations last Wednesday. Paul has been foundation chair of the Brunswick Business Incubator and now is enlisted by the Darebin Council to oversee the growth and development of similar new local business ventures.

Chosen by the Vocational Service Committee, the two Club awardees this year are:

- **Beeline Design** - a furniture manufacturing business and
- **Krause Industries** - a developing computer based APP.

Present at the dinner was Philip O'Brien, Business Engagement, Darebin City Council.

1. **BEELINE DESIGN:** Adam Brislin and Lucy Grant established their business in 2010. Located in 20 Albert Street, Preston, and part of the 15-20 business WORCO, they manufacture beds, stools, tables and lighting features. Their furniture is sold to stores, hotels and the like throughout Australia.

Export has now grown to represent over 30% of their total business. Currently B.D. is completing an order of over 40 beds and tables to be shipped to China. Overseas attraction is driven by the assurance that all goods are made in Australia with Aussie made/grown materials.

Their award is for **Market Expansion & Diversification**.

2. **Courtney Krause Ltd. - EXERTIME:** Courtney Krause has developed a computer-based prompting system that reminds employees to take a minute break from occupational sitting. The product, EXERTIME, is a software application that encourages employees to break long bouts of sitting by engaging in short bouts of physical



activity during work hours. It is designed to prompt individuals with a suggestion for a low-impact activity that takes between one to two minutes every hour to complete, and is suitable to be completed at a desk or around the office.



Research has shown that employees, who used the software and moved more regularly throughout the day, exhibited significantly decreased mean arterial blood pressure and better work outputs.

Courtney is working with the University of Tasmania in its research and fine-tuning. The tool is in its final stages of completion. Commercialization will commence around April 2018.



FAMILY OF ROTARY

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Philip O'Brien (Business Engagement, Skills and Employment Darebin Council), Tim Weir, Dianne and James Akeroid - Rotary Club of CEFN SIDAN, Old West Wales. For Dianne and James it was a return visit to the Club and both were very grateful for the Preston welcome. It was especially good to welcome Dianne who has developed a debilitating ailment but she is still keen and able to travel.

Wedding Anns.	Marilyn and Les Woodland 14/2/20002, Vandana and Kannan Subramanian 17/2/2012
Rotary Anns.	David De La Coeur 14/2/2007

ACCOMMODATION, possibly in these suburbs Monday-Friday and some weekends, is being sought by new Member Erica Higgins. Erica lives in the country and works ever-changing hours/days. Any thoughts on the matter contact Secretary Geoff.

FIRST TIME CONFERENCE ATTENDEES note that the Club has a traditional Barbie on the Friday night of the Conference at the motel.

CLUB NEWS

INCOMING BOARD 2018-2019: All incoming board members are asked to keep April 8th free for a District Assembly at Benalla. More info from President Elect Peter Byrne.

CONNECTING VACCINATIONS AND PEACEMAKING?! One of the main challenges to completing the eradication of Polio is that wars have prevented vaccination of children in the war zones. Rotarians have on many occasions convinced the warring parties to stop hostilities in different war zones so their children can be vaccinated!

PolioPlus is a great Rotary Grassroots Peacemaking Project.

"YOU WILL BE CAUGHT REDHANDED if not wearing red this Wednesday" warns President Julie! If you've ever sighed over a perfect red rose or perhaps griped about being stopped by a red light, you've used a word that's been in existence, in one form or another, since before the Egyptians erected the pyramids.

The spelling of the modern English word R-E-D is a direct descendent of the Old English version, **read**. In fact, when you say names like Reed, Read or Reid, you're speaking Old English.



A DAY ON THE GREEN FOR DANNY: Next Step's Rhiannon Tracey informs Members of a day raising money in memory of Danny Strickland who lost his life to cancer. Proceeds go to the Cancer Council and Next Step. Saturday 17th March 2018 3pm to 12am Hildebrand Winery Tickets \$30 160 Hildebrand Road, Cottlesbridge. RSVP: 11/03/18



RECENT FUNDING BY THE CLUB:

Beeline Design for Market Expansion - \$1,000

Courtney Krause Ltd. For Market Expansion - \$1,000

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry for a recent project - \$500

COMING EVENTS

Feb. 14	Chair	Elaine Price
	Topic	Blue Cross Care
	Speaker	Kathy Warren
	Welcomes	David Sullivan
	House	Peter Peyton
	Sergeant	David Warry
Feb. 21	Chair	Lisa Defazio
	Topic	Darebin City Council Working with Young People and in particular the Northland Youth Centre
	Speaker	Patrick Buchanan and Young Friend
	Welcomes	Anne Morton
	House	Paul Conti
	Sergeant	Peter Peyton

GUESS WHO IS COMING TO DINNER? Past World President Ron D. Burton has accepted the invitation to be



the World Rotary President's Representative at the District 9790 Conference, and will travel to Yarrawonga and Mulwala with wife Jetta.

Ron has said that *"while Rotary can't be everything to everybody, there are so many opportunities for each of us in Rotary today that you'd be hard pressed to find a Rotarian who couldn't find something they could really get behind"*. **D.G. Bernie Bott** adds: *"For me, it was The Rotary Foundation, and for someone else it might be water projects or literacy or Youth Exchange. It's that little bit of magic that's waiting for each one of us, and it's different for every Rotarian — the thing that makes your heart warm and makes you say to yourself: "Yes! This is why I'm in Rotary; this is why I'm a Rotarian."* Ron Burton is a member of the U.S. Supreme Court Bar, the Oklahoma Bar Association and the Cleveland County Bar Association I look forward to welcoming Ron and Jetta".

NEXT BOARD MEETING: February 14.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2018: Yarrawonga-Mulwala, March 22-25

CLUB CHANGEOVER 2018: The date has been set for June 27, 2018 at the St Georges restaurant.

ROTARY GRACE

O Lord and Giver of all good, we thank Thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
help us to serve Thee all our days.

ADVANCE AUSTRALIA FAIR

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free;
we've golden soil and wealth for toil;
our home is girt by sea;
our land abounds in nature's gifts of beauty rich and rare;
in history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing **Advance Australia Fair.**

