

# ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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**District** 9790

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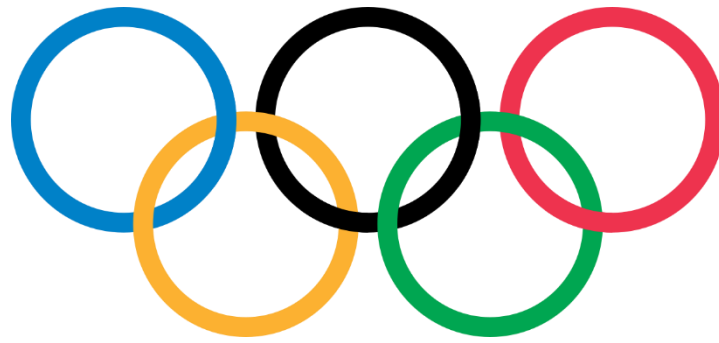
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### Board

Kannan Subramanian, Tim Weir, Mel Riel, Paul Smarrelli,  
Peter McGuigan, Max Walsh, Peter Peyton

## Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2021/2022

<u><b>International</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>P Peyton</b>  I Musgrove J.Roose L Defazio P Byrne E Price	<u><b>Youth Services</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>M.Riel</b>  P Conte N Schaber N Pinder G Lyons Joe Morris	<u><b>Vocational</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>T Weir</b>  K Agarwal M.Alkanani C Finocchiaro	<u><b>Community</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>K Subramanian.</b>  G Mogford M Walsh D Sullivan D De La Coeur C Verrocchi P Smarrelli  <u><b>Police Awards</b></u> E Price	<u><b>Club Admin.</b></u>  <b>R McCall</b>   <u><b>On to Conference</b></u>  <b>G McIlvenna</b>
<u><b>Foundation</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>M Walsh</b>  D De La Coeur Julie Morris P Gilbert  <u><b>Special projects</b></u>  <b>P Smarrelli</b>	<u><b>Membership</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>Julie Morris</b>  G.McIlvenna P Peyton C Shields  <u><b>Christmas Luncheon</b></u>  Volunteer wanted	<u><b>Fundraising</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>W O'Neill</b>  F Smith P Smarrelli C Shields	<u><b>Sergeants</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>D Sullivan</b>  C Verrocchi Julie Morris I Musgrove D De La Coeur	<u><b>Cashiers</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>N Schaber</b>  P Peyton M.Riel N Pinder
<u><b>Environment &amp; Conservation</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>P.McGuigan</b>  C Shields L.Defazio G Mogford	<u><b>PR, Website, IT</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>P Conte</b>  L Defazio G Lyons R McCall E Price	<u><b>Attendance</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>G Mogford</b>  G McIlvenna	<u><b>Programmes</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>Joe Morris</b>  I Musgrove	<u><b>House</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>N Pinder</b>  D. De La Coeur P Peyton M Walsh
<u><b>Bulletin</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>J McCarthy</b>  P Peyton C Finocchiaro	<u><b>Club History</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>P Peyton</b>	<u><b>Family of Rotary/ Fellowship</b></u>  <b>Chair:</b> <b>E Price</b> Julie Morris	<u><b>On to World Conference</b></u>  <b>P Gilbert</b>	<u><b>Welcomes</b></u>  P McGuigan M Walsh Julie Morris M Riel M Alkanani K Agarwal



TOKYO 2021

### SPEAKER LAST WEEK

Club member

**KANNAN**

**SUBRAMANNIAN**

set out to give a broad spectrum of what is the current picture of the general

real estate market and then a precise summary of the sales averages and growth in the Darebin area.



As all are aware Kannan is a sales consultant with Love & Co. in Spring Street, Reservoir, and that he joined the club in July 2013. Kannan covered the well-publicised growth in the market despite grim predictions at the end of 2020. The growth this year throughout Australia has been spectacular.

He spoke at length of the varying and specific results of the market in the Darebin area from Northcote to Reservoir, all of which, houses and units, continue to display strong growth. Renewed interest has been shown by neighbouring suburbs as Fairfield, Brunswick, Carlton and Fitzroy.

Reservoir is Kannan's ground with 180 sales in the first 6 months of this year. The growth has been over 11% in the first 6 months of this year. Questions followed. In response to one question, Kannan mentioned a worrying fact of the current market where 60% of the price is borrowed from lending agencies at very low rates. What could happen with a sudden rise in rates leaves him breathless.



This was an interesting overview of what is a major financial and community movement in Australian residential history. Kannan's listeners were most appreciative as demonstrated in the numerous questions.

### COMING MEETINGS

**July 28 will be by ZOOM**

- July 28: Suzie Cole:** RIMERN (Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network) - Chair C Finocchiaro
- Aug 4: Jo Bartlett:** Coordinator Epping Pavilion School  
– Chair D De La Coeur
- Aug 11: Bob Allardice:** Dismantling Playgrounds to send O/seas  
– Chair P Peyton
- Aug 18: Club Forum** – Chair Pres Chris Shields
- Aug 25: Paul Conte:** Financial Planning and Health needs of Individuals  
- Chair R McCall

### THE ROTARY FAMILY

Bruce West 3/8



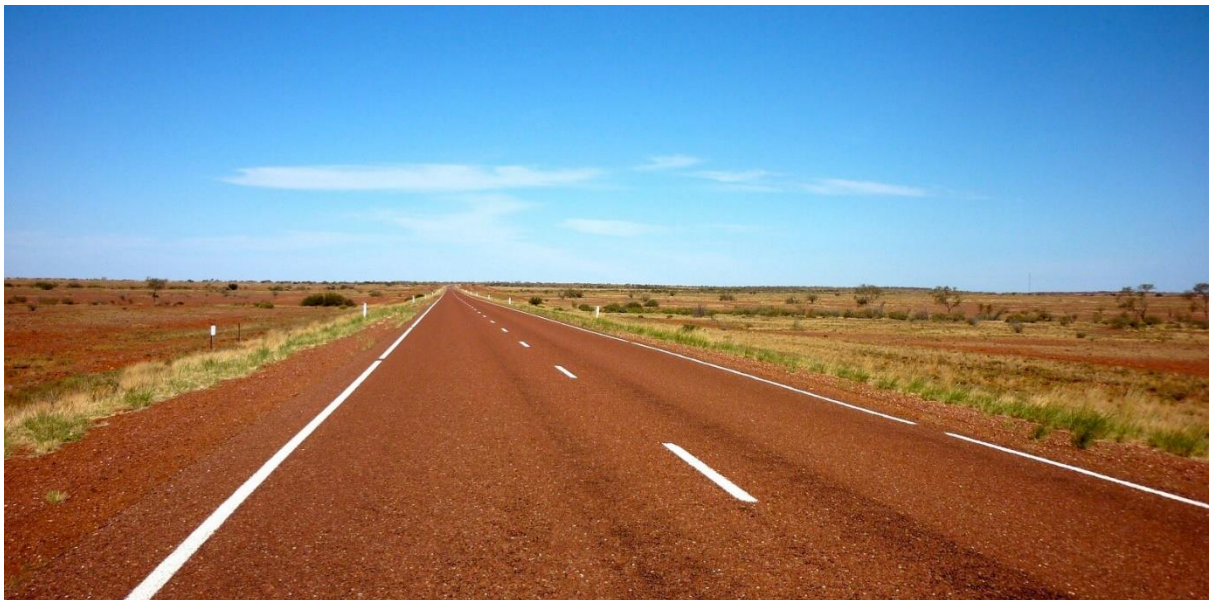
**JOAN IS ON HER WAY:** Yes! At last it's all happening! Down the mountain from Rejoice School in Odessa, followed by numerous flights, covid-tests, stop-over quarantines, Darwin for 2week quarantine, then her home town Melbourne late on August 8.

Any readers out there good at prayer, Joan would appreciate them - it is a tricky ride! Unfortunately, it will still be winter here but it will be **HOME**.

Joan, everyone in Melbourne town is in a state of expectancy.



**GMAN** is back in town and back on air at 3KND! After a dose of lockdown in Alice Springs, Gerry is vociferous but happy. It was otherwise for him in the N.T. The Alice with no covid cases and is 1500kms from Darwin where it was all happening!



## **CLUB NEWS**



**BE AWARE** of the activities of other committees and re-study the recent Board minutes as circulated by Paul Smarrelli. Also up for study are the Strategic Plan and Committee Budgets 21-22. As they say: *"We are all in this together!"*

**POLICE AWARDS 2021:** Darebin Police Awards 2021 have been held up due to the lockdown. Decisions have been made and news from Kannan Subramannian's Community Committee will be released at a later date.

**GARDENING** at Lovely's new accommodation in Brunswick. A few hours and let Geoff know of your availability. Date to be decided.

**RYLA – ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD** - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021. N.B. the recently circulated RYLA Conference invitation.

**SPRING INTO SPRING LUNCHEON – Children First Foundation:** Sunday, August 21, 11.45am. Metropolitan Gold Club, Oakleigh. 2 course luncheon, drinks at bar prices, \$110 per person.

**FEARLESS PTSD CONFERENCE:** Rotary District 9790/RSL Clubs of Victoria & Australian Rotary Health PhD Scholarship recipient [Katrina Streatfeild](#) will be a speaker at the Fearless PTSD Conference on **24 & 25 August 2021**.

**BARBIES:** Raising finances for club projects in these difficult times. Barbies are for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month from August to December.

**Aug. 14; Sept. 11; Oct. 9; Nov. 13; Dec. 11.**



**YES**

that is Norbert  
Schaber's  
Strida and

**YES**

he would take  
his Strida for a  
ride while in  
the Kakadu!

Crocs are not  
known for  
consuming  
cycles but,  
when hungry . .

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Info to/from Ruth McCall or Lisa Defazio.

The account details for the **Rotary Club of Preston:**

Bendigo Bank                      BSB 633 000,    A/c 154 200 034

The account details for the **Australian Rotary Foundation Trust** for member donations

Bendigo Bank                      BSB 332 084,    A/c 551 038 195

**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.**