## ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

District 9790

CHARTER GRANTED 21-12-1960

PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

District Governor:

**Tony Bramley (Pamela)** 

Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

Assistant Governor:

Kay Feain

# BULLETIN

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Club President: 1994-95

District 9790 Governor: 1997-98



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#### OFFICE BEARERS

Hon. Secretary: Frank Smith
Hon. Treasurer: Peter Gilbert
Past President: Paul Smarrelli
President Elect: Julie Morris

#### **BOARD**

P. Josephson, P. Byrne, P. Peyton, D. De La Coeur, W. O'Neill, E. Price, F. Brass

# Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2016/17

Community Director Chair: P. Josephson S.Walsh B.Lamers C. Verrocchi J. Crampton L. Thornton F. Brass	International Director Chair: P. Byrne N. Schaber K. Agarwil A. Pahuja K. Subramanian B. Allchin	Vocational Director Chair: P. Smarrelli D. De La Coeur M. Riel L. Woodland W. O'Neill I. Musgrove L. DeFazio	Youth Services Director Chair: E Price Joe Morris D. Warry C. Finocchiaro D. Sullivan N. Pinder S. Bell	Foundation Director Chair: P. Peyton P. Gilbert J. McCarthy R. Wilcox G. Mogford C. Shields
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Membership & Classifications	IT/Website	Public Relations	Bulletin
Chair: D. De La Coeur P. Smarrelli D. Sullivan M. Riel N. Pinder	Chair: F Brass K Subramanian D De La Coeur L Thornton	Chair: F. Brass K. Subramanian I. Musgrove Joe Morris J. McCarthy M. Riel	Chair: J. McCarthy Joe Morris P. Peyton B. Allchin P. Gilbert
<u>Programs</u>	<u>House</u>	Welcome	<u>Cashiers</u>
Chair: I. Musgrove P. Smarrelli C. Shields G. Mogford A. Pahuja D. Warry	Chair: N. Pinder N. Schaber B. Lamers C. Verrocchi P. Byrne B. Allchin L. Woodland W. O'Neill	Chair: Julie Morris B. Lamers C. Finocchiaro Joe Morris C. Verrocchi E. Price K. Subramanian A. Pahuja	Chair: N. Schaber J. Crampton R. Wilcox P. Josephson C. Shields P. Peyton
<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Sergeants</u>	<u>Fellowship</u>	Family of Rotary
Chair: G. Mogford N. Schaber J. Crampton R. Wilcox	Chair: D. Sullivan C. Verrocchi I. Musgrove L. Woodland D. De La Coeur S. Walsh	Chair: P. Josephson Smith C. Shields R. Wilcox B. Lamers	Chair: L. Thornton J. McCarthy B. Allchin A. Pahuja D. Warry E. Price
Rotary Information Chair: L. Thornton F. Brass S. Walsh M. Riel	Club History  Chair: P. Peyton F. Smith P. Gilbert N. Pinder	Fund Raising Chair: W. O'Neill S. Walsh	Chair: C. Finocchiaro F. Smith D. Sullivan G. McIlvenna
Christmas Luncheon	On to Conference	RI World Conference	
L. Woodland	G. McIlvenna	P Gilbert	

#### SPEAKER LAST WEEK

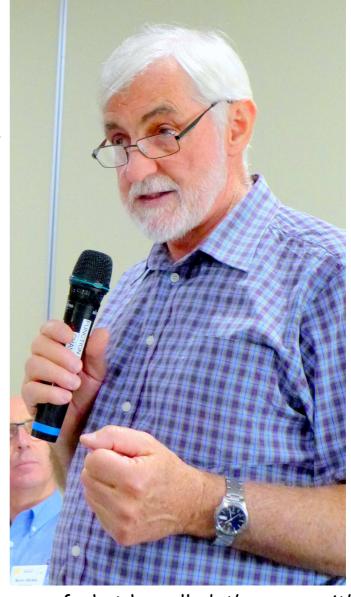
THE EXODUS COMMUNITY: Farm bred, Marist Brother, educator, community worker - many members have met Brother Harry Prout in the last of these categories. In his educating capacity Harry has worked with Rotary Exchange students and RYLA programmes and now he is a Heidelberg Rotarian and Citizen of the Year (2014).

After 16 years with E.C. (founded in 1998), Harry told stories

grounded in and harsh awakening reality. Heidelberg West ranked as the 6th poorest community in Victoria, Harry outlined "journeying his work as who are people with struggling". The struggle could be mental impairment, unemployment, single-parent, under-age parenting . . .

Education is rare with only a handful completing VCE and most leaving school at Year 10. Worth noting was the esteem he expressed for the Somali refugees.

With tongue in cheek, to illustrate further the poverty picture, Harry



drew three contrasting pictures of what he called *the game with* three teams - 1.Generational Poverty, 2.Middle Class and 3.Wealthy.

Hence 1.community/public transport/food quantity or 2. connections/good car/food quality or 3.possessions/European car/food presentation.

As part of his own journey Harry has developed his advocacy skills and can be seen with locals at detention centres, schools, police stations, hospitals and Centrelink. He outlined some sad difficulties that illiterate or semi-blind locals often have with officialdom. For his audience, this was a reality trip.

Harry was most grateful for the Club's assistance over the years and noted that, at times, Rotary's gifts might be the only present some families would receive in one Christmas season. Chair Brett Allchin stated that Harry highlighted Rotary's principal direction of "benefiting people other than ourselves".

#### **CLUB NEWS**

#### **BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS:**

These will be made at the Club meeting Feb.  $1^{st}$ .



Paul Smarrelli and the Vocational Committee are organizing the occasion for:

Laura van den Bogaard - Devour Chocolate Juanita Masterson - Juanita's Kitchen Melissa Murphy- Webster - AVS Organic Foods

TAKE A TRIP TO YEA: The Yea Rotary Art Show opens at the Yea Town Hall January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, and continues till 3pm, Jan 30<sup>th</sup>. Just outside the back door (98Ks) and a cool drive into Aussie Culture

ONE IN A MILLION: If you are a Rotarian reading this, you are one of 1,231,573 in 35,537 clubs worldwide - all serving humanity.

CONFERENCE 2017: President Geoff is awaiting a copy of



Registrations from attendees, while Treasurer Peter Gilbert is in need of a few members' \$100 deposit on motel bookings. Geoff reports that the number of Club Members attending Conference this year is one of the best ever.

# ORANGE SKY LAUNDRY VAN:

DG Tony Bramley reports in SEEDS that his wife Pamela's project has now reached \$25,000. "Pamela has asked me to convey her thanks to those clubs which have donated to this project".

### FAMILY OF ROTARY

Rotary Ann.

Frank Smith 1/2/95

<u>VISITORS LAST</u> <u>WEEK</u>: Jill Schaber, Tony Bolzan.

AND BERNIE
LAMERS IS
LOOKING
YOUNGER now that
a granddaughter,
Mason, has been
added to his
flourishing three
grandsons.



#### DIARY DATES

<u>CHRISTMAS BELLS ARE STILL CHIMING</u>: Colin Parrot, the much-acclaimed tenor at the Club's Senior Citizens Christmas Dinner, was married last Saturday and all wish joy to Colin and his newly wedded wife.

DATE		
Jan 25	Chair	Rosemary Wilcox
	Speaker	4 students sponsored by the Youth Committee for studies locally and overseas. NB: Meeting may go till 2pm.
	Topic	Peace in the Middle East and
	Welcomes	Kannan Subramanian
	Sergeant	David Sullivan
	House	Norbert Schaber
Feb 1	Chair	Paul Smarrelli
	Topic	Business Excellence Awards
	Sergeant	Sean Walsh
	Welcomes	Asha Pahuja
	House	Claude Verrocchi

**EXODUS ROSTER:** Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> Paul Smarrelli and Frank Brass.

### LOOKING FORWARD

# February: Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

## ROTARY'S 111TH BIRTHDAY - February 23, 2017

**DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017**: Shepparton-On-The-Goulburn, March 16-19, 2017.

Shepparton is home to the Yorta Yorta people with Major Mitchell being the first recorded presence of Europeans in the area in 1838. Tallygaroopna sheep station opened a few years later. March average high temperature is 27.4.

# **Rotary Club of Preston - Past Presidents**

1960-61	Alf Bean	1989-90	Paul Smarrelli
1961-62	Bruce Connan	1990-91	Ted Begg
1962-63	Oliver Roberts	1991-92	Paul Josephson
1963-64	Royce Kronberg	1992-93	Peter Gilbert
1964-65	Perc Cleland	1993-94	Neil Grierson
1965-66	Ron Grierson	1994-95	Geoff McIlvenna
1966-67	Marc Crampton	1995-96	John McInnes
1967-68	Ken Land	1996-97	Constantine Panoussi
1968-69	Ray Bramham	1997-98	Les Woodland
1969-70	John Hunting/Dave Harding	1998-99	Rod Draper
1970-71	Ian Cleland	1999-2000	Trevor Wilson
1971-72	Hilary Ellis	2000-01	Rosemary Wilcox
1972-73	Roy Kilkenny	2001-02	Ian Musgrove
1973-74	Keith Gibbs	2002-03	Peter Peyton
1974-75	Eric Thornton	2003-04	Bernie Lamers
1975-76	Vin Ross	2004-05	Lindsay Gale
1976-77	Arthur Morgan	2005-06	Carla Finocchiaro
1977-78	Arthur Grubb	2006-07	Richard Gozdzik
1978-79	Bryan Steele	2007-08	Les Price
1979-80	Laurie Bryant/Don Andrews	2008-09	Les Woodland
1980-81	Bill Wonder	2009-10	David Sullivan
1981-82	Jack Morris	2010-11	Rosemary Wilcox
1982-83	Keith Porter	2011-12	David de la Coeur
1983-84	Norm Griffiths	2012-13	Peter Fitz
1984-85	David Warry	2013-14	Peter Byrne
1985-86	Vin Murphy	2014-15	Elaine Price
1986-87	Reg Dick	2015-16	Paul Smarrelli
1987-88	Sandy Mead	2016-17	Geoff McIlvenna
1988-89	Max Kirwan		

# 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.

Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded		Paul Harris Fellows	Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1976		Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998
♦ PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
♦ ♦ PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
♦ PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982	***	John McCarthy	05/07/2000
♦ PP	Mark Crampton	10/08/1983	♦ PP	Les Woodland	05/07/2000
PP	Bill Wonder	01/05/1985	<b>♦</b>	Rick Kirwan	26/06/2002
<b>♦</b>	Laurie Jones	01/03/1986	<b>* *</b>	Wayne O'Neill	26/06/2002
<b>♦</b>	Cliff Kendall	01/03/1986	***	Frank Smith	26/06/2002
PP	Arthur Morgan	01/03/1986	♦ PP	Ian Musgrove	25/06/2003
♦ PP	Jack Morris	01/03/1986	♦ PP	Rosemary Wilcox	25/06/2003
♦ PP	lan Cleland	24/07/1987	PP	Lindsay Gale	12/07/2006
♦ PP	Ken Land	24/07/1987	♦ PP	Carla Finocchiaro	12/07/2006
PP	Norm Griffiths	30/09/1987	<b>♦</b>	Peter Lamers	12/07/2006
PP	Keith Porter	30/09/1987	♦♦ PP	Elaine Price	04/072007
PP	Bryan Steele	16/12/1987	PP	Richard Gozdzik	28/06/2008
PP	Reg Dick	26/04/1989	<b>♦</b>	Pauline Josephson	16/06/2009
<b>♦</b>	Lyall Dexter	27/06/1990	♦PP	Les Price	05/08/2009
α	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991	PP	David Warry	06/2012
<b>♦</b>	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Sullivan	06/2012
♦ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	06/2012
<b>♦♦♦</b> PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton	06/2012
♦ PP	Max Kirwan OAM	30/06/1993	PP	Vin Ross	06/2012
♦♦ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	11/2012
<b>* *</b>	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	<b>A</b>	Alf Armstrong	11/2012
<b>♦</b>	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	<b>♦♦</b> PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
₫	Peter Gilbert PDG	28/06/1995	<b>♦</b>	Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
α	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010	<b>♦</b>	Lenore Thornton	25/02/2015
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995	<b>♦</b>	Kim West	24/06/2015
<b>♦♦♦</b> PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	♦ PP	Peter Byrne	26/8/2015
***	G. McIlvenna PDG	26/06/1995	<b>♦</b>	Margaret Smith OAM	16/12/15
	Bernie Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Jack Wilcox	9/3/2016
α	Gerry Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Norbert Schaber	6/7/2016
<b>♦</b>	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997			

# 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.