

# ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

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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 Elders past and present.

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## Rotary Club of Preston - Community Police Award and Highly Commended

Members are asked to arrive early this Wednesday and so welcome the visiting police officers to this Wednesday's Awards Dinner.

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### SPEAKER LAST WEEK

**SUPERANNUATION:** From the outset speaker Paul Conte saw the need for



him to be aware as to what his audience was searching for under the topic. Paul repeated twice that there was *“an absolute tonne of regulation, regulation, regulation”* in the field. What he saw as a fundamental need in his audience was the ability to receive quality advice.

Paul spent much time on investments and the availability of liquidity. He gave examples of families and seniors with investments and the sudden need of finance in hard health, social or residential crises and the need for immediate or ongoing finance. As Paul

said *“Something is going to pop-up”*. Hence the need for a bucketing strategy – the need for planning for 3 years, 5 years, 10 years; the need to plan for the unexpected.

He also spent time on the weaknesses compounding superannuation. Paul covered withdrawals in time of necessity, using finance in family education, setting up of trusts and establishing family bequests. To the uninitiated, his early advice remained a basic rule – ensure one’s ability to receive quality advice.

## THE ROTARY FAMILY

**Gerry Lyons 23/11**



**TWO CASUALTIES** are undergoing repairs:

Mary Verrocchi is having work done on her leg and things are progressing slowly. All hope Mary will be back on the field shortly.

Julie Morris is isolating herself on another planet while entertaining covid.

A speedy recovery to Mary and Julie and others we may be overlooking.

## Giving Tuesday 29 November

Generous gifts to The Rotary Foundation help create lasting change in communities both nearby and around the world. In honour of Rotary Foundation Month in November, club and district leaders thank donors while they reflect on the good that their donations make possible.

## UPCOMING SPEAKERS

Nov 23: Police Awards Chair David Sullivan  
Nov 30: 3KND visit and how to run a radio station Chair Natalie Au

## CLUB INFO

### From Marg Crisp, District Grants Chairperson:

*"I want to notify you that your club's application for a District Grant for the VASS Food Forest Garden of \$A2,500 has been approved.  
Good luck with this wonderful project. I hope it has the wonderful outcomes that you are all hoping for".*

**JESSIE HARMAN:** With World Polio Day on 24 October, there is an evening coming up at Sunbury with Jessie Harman the speaker. Jessie, a Director on the Board of International Rotary, will focus on how Rotarians can work in the programme END POLIO NOW.

Sunbury Hume Global Learning Centre - 44 Macedon Street, Sunbury. 6.30pm, November 25. Canapes and wine will be served on the evening. Price: \$25 per person to cover costs, any profits to Rotary Foundation. Sec. Geoff will be attending.

Contact Sec. Geoff if thinking of attending.

**YOUTH ASSEMBLY:** Gerry Lyons spoke to the club regarding a recent youth meeting at Bundoora Park. With 450 attending much was discussed especially the need to give the youth of today a voice. Gerry expressed the chance to invite the youth organisations at the meeting to discuss with the club it's possible involvement. That is a work in progress.



**3KND VISIT**

Nov 30 at 35 Copernicus Crescent, Bundoora  
(a block behind Polaris shopping centre)

**RIMERN - RES.NEIGH.HOUSE – PRESTON ROTARY** The volunteers got it all together last week. A unit had been located for a very needy person. RIMERN was contacted and then Sec Geoff. put out urgent requests for help. As always it all came together. RIMERN prepared the entire furnishings for the empty flat.



Geoff got the truck. The team loaded it and then unloaded. Using the narrow stairwell to the first floor Preston unit, the flat was all set up. Thank you

**Current roster: Please swap with someone else if unable to be present on the duty date.**

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
<b>23rd November</b>	Natalie Au	Peter Lamers Peter Byrne	Peter Gilbert	David Sullivan
<b>30th November</b>	Lisa Defazio	Peter Lamer Norbert Schaber	Julie Morris	Natalie Au
<b>7th December</b>	Peter Peyton	Carla Finocchiaro Peter Lamers	David Sullivan	Max Walsh
<b>14th December</b>	Max Walsh	Peter Lamers Peter Peyton	Peter Byrne	Lisa Defazio
<b>21st December</b>	Gary Mogford	Max Walsh Norbert Schaber	David Sullivan	Kannan Subramanian

**EUREKA STOCKADE – 3 DECEMBER 1854**

**TRUNDLE DROUGHT!** Members will remember well the club's involvement with the Trundle Primary School and farmers during the N.S.W. treacherous drought. THE CLUB WAS ALERTED BY Marilyn Woodland. Immediate response came from the club and Pinchapoo. Epic truck cartage was done by David De La Coeur and Geoff McIlvenna. While up there, David and Geoff met and dealt with water carrier Bruce Patton.

Recently Bruce texted: *"Trundle has been isolated since Sunday (Dec 13) due to 125mm local rain. All roads are closed and may open in a day or two. Water on Monday was 20mm off flooding our hospital. SES had to ferry in nurses by boat. We are just about to start our grain harvest here, so we need a month of hot dry weather. The biggest problem is the damaged roads – all closed to trucks over 3 tons so we will have to store grain in bunkers on farms"*.

**PINCHAPOO PACKATHON:** 10am Thursday Dec. 3. Location yet to be at the club meeting place Darebin RSL. The club team still forming. Anyone welcome and more info on the way. With the floods it is obvious that Pinchapoo packs are in great demand. Help the flood victims by getting your friends along.

### **CHRISTMAS FAMILY BREAKUP**



This year it will be held at **Children First Retreat**, 148 Saunders Road, East Kilmore. The day has an arrival time between 11 and 11.30. Rotarians, families, parents, grandparents, children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, etc.

A barbie will be available. Trampoline, basketball court, footie ground available and play equipment. A heated pool is there for children always to be supervised by parent. Bring along footie and soccer balls.

A vintage Rolls Royce will bring along Father Christmas and parents/grandparents are invited to bring Christmas presents (these must be packed and ribboned with the child's name and the name and address of the donor).

**LAST FOODBANK UNLOAD for 2022 at Reservoir Neighbourhood**

**House:** Tuesday, 13 December.

**NEXT BARBIE** at Bunnings, Saturday, 10 Dec.

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION – MELBOURNE 27-31 MAY**

**2023.** Last chance for good deal booking ends December 15 and so save \$100.

**END OF YEAR DATES:**

Wed. Dec. 14:	Last meeting at RSL for 2022
Wed. Dec. 21:	No meeting
Wed. Dec. 28:	No meeting
Sat. Jan. 7:	First Bunnings Barbie for 2023
Wed. Jan. 4	No meeting
Wed. Jan. 11:	No meeting
Wed. Jan. 18	Informal get together at RSL Bistro
Wed. Jan. 25	First official meeting for 2023

**Club Website addresses:**

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Info to Ruth McCall or Lisa Defazio.

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

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**For member donations** - Australian Rotary Foundation Trust

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