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SPEAKER LAST WEEK

LEADING SUSTAINABLE HEALTHCARE – AUSTIN HOSPITAL: As Speaker,

anaesthetist **Jess Davies** gave a clear outline of what action can be taken immediately in one's own workplace when environmental disaster is being discussed. Words - **yes**, but action - **immediately!** The Austin Hospital is large and its impact on the environment has been massive. As an aside, the name *AUSTIN* derives from that of the family that introduced rabbits into Australia at their farm in Winchelsea, short of Colac.

Jess's field covered the effects of climate change on public health and what her hospital is doing to limit environmental damage. After wide surveys and numerous questionnaires, the Austin has developed a 'mission statement' on their practices, aims and outcomes. Today, the programme is investigating numerous health services offered by the hospital.

The overall aim is to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2040; improved uptake of sustainable practices and models of care while maintaining excellent outcomes for patients across all Austin Health sites; developed carbon neutral waste and air pollution free energy. The production of 7 tonnes of landfill per day left her audience gasping. Now with non-disposable garments, improved medical scanning and the like, sustainability is on the horizon. Jess's presentation demonstrated a great awareness for her listeners of their environmental impacting lifestyles.



THE FAMILY OF ROTARY

Julie Morris 8/10



Kate Austin 9/10

Erica Higgins 9/10

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Terry Grant (District Trainer), Abedin Jacker, Brian Flynn, Mal Turner.

WELCOME HOME to Gerry Lyons - present last week , still a bit sore but looking great.

COMING DATES

ROTARY YOUTH DRIVER

AWARENESS (RYDA): Chris Shields and his team have booked a final day for students from schools including Reservoir High and Thornbury High.

Date is **Tuesday, 31 October**. 6 volunteers are needed on the day. Please contact Chris.



2023 Weekly Roster October – December

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Oct-04	Joe Morris	Norbert Schaber & Elaine Price	Peter Byrne	C Finocchiaro
Oct-11	Ian Musgrove	Peter Gilbert & Paul Smarrelli	David De La Coeur	Joe Morris
Oct-18	C Finocchiaro	Peter Gilbert & Elaine Price	Julie Morris	Paul Smarrelli
Oct-25	Gary Mogford	Norbert Schaber & Paul Smarrelli	Chris Shields	Max Walsh
Nov-01	Suzanne Still	Peter Gilbert & Ruth McCall	Max Walsh	Peter Peyton
Nov-08	Joe Morris	Peter Gilbert & Paul Smarrelli	Peter Byrne	Gary Mogford
Nov-15	Max Walsh	Elaine Price & Paul Smarrelli	David De La Coeur	Norm Pinder
Nov-22	C Finocchiaro	Norbert Schaber & Ruth McCall	Julie Morris	Elaine Price
Nov-29	Chris Shields	Paul Smarrelli & Norbert Schaber	David De La Coeur	Max Walsh
Dec-06	Gary Mogford	Elaine Price & Peter Gilbert	Peter Byrne	C Finocchiaro
Dec-13	Max Walsh	Ruth McCall & Paul Smarrelli	David Sullivan	Suzanne Still
Dec-20	Peter Peyton	Norbert Schaber & Peter Gilbert	Max Walsh	Paul Smarrelli

Please arrange a replacement if you are unable to attend

DigiCloud, a Fairfield based IT services company, is offering members and connections a **CYBER SECURITY AND SAFETY WORKSHOP**.

Vacancies still exist. There is no limit to attendee numbers nor is there any charge. DigiCloud is offering the session as a gift to Rotarians and friends.

The aim is to teach seniors how to remain safe online – avoiding scams, frauds and identity thefts. This is an interactive and engaging workshop and will be held at Darebin RSL, Wednesday, **November 1**, 9.30am to 12.30pm (before the club meeting which will begin at 12.45am).

New attendees contact Sec. Geoff.

PRESTON HAT DAY: It is here again! A big day for AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH (Lift the Lid on Mental Illness). Preston will be Lifting the Lid in two weeks time – Wednesday, **October 11.**



Joe Morris has prepared a wide range of mainly sporting books and odd sporting memorabilia. Silent auctions will raise a meaningful financial contribution on the day.

Awareness of the need for research in the field of mental illness is vital. One in five Australians is affected by depression, anxiety, schizophrenia and many other mental challenges. This is Preston's day to help in that field of research. On the day, everyone is invited to bring along their hat, though, as a sign of respect, they are invited not to wear it until in the meeting room. **October 11.**

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – November 15. Nominations for all positions must be in by **October 18.**

CLUB NEWS

NOMINATIONS are now being accepted for club leadership roles in the Rotary year 2025/2026 – presidency, vice-presidency etc. Consider, then contact Sec. Geoff.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE, Shepparton, **19-21 April, 2024:** There are still a few vacant units at the Motel Sec. Geoff has booked. Worth a close read is the September issue of the recent mail out of the 9790

PARIS 2024

PARALYMPIC GAMES



AHMED KELLY: It is a tough gig for Ahmed to get to the start at the 2024 Paris Paralympics – Ahmed’s 4th. David De La Coeur has no doubt the \$40,000 needed to get there is on the way. Ahmed has to cover all expenses in getting to and competing at qualifying events, travel, accommodation, training.

David is working the field through trading companies, local businesses and private donation. David has his hand ready to accept any worthwhile assistance from members and contacts. From day one Preston has helped Ahmed reach this far and Preston will not stop here. David is standing by.

DISTRICT ROTARY RAMBLINGS. Edited by David Redfern, the September issue outlines life in Shepparton. It suggests a number of places of interest for the out-of-Conference hours, especially museums and sporting locations.

The magazine opens with an encouraging and insightful page from DG Neta Kirby. She has summarised what Rotary life is all about. Neta finishes with ***“Yes, we can create hope in the world”.***

COMMUNITY CAR RAFFLE – ROTARY CLUB OF MOOROOPNA: Books still available from Sec. Geoff.

Raffle draw will be at the Mooroopna New Year’s Eve Festival, **December 31st.**



Goulburn River

The name of SHEPPARTON is derived from the surname of one of the area's first European settlers, Sherbourne Sheppard, and not, as is sometimes imagined, from Shepparton, England. The Yorta Yorta name for the area is 'Kanny-goopna' with 'goopna' meaning '*deep waterholes by which people camped*'.

Oddly, nearby **MOORoopna** is an aboriginal word meaning '*deep water hole*' after that section of the Goulburn River

ROTARY REGIONALIZATION PROGRAMME: PDG Terry Grant, present at last week's meeting, reported the result of the District vote on the plan. The plan was defeated with an 86% vote against.

Introducing the District 9790 PolioPlus Society

A great opportunity to do good in the world.

This Society is a District 9790 program to promote individual giving to the Polio Plus Fund.

To belong, you commit to donating AUD \$160 (\$100 USD) or more per year and pledge to do so until polio is completely eradicated. It is as simple as that!

To become a member, go online at www.rotary.org/donate under featured causes, select the PolioFund. Click on recurring donation and make it annually for \$160 or more.
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The account details for the Rotary Club of Preston:

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