OTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2022/23

International **Director** **P. Peyton** J Roose S Still E Boateng	**Youth** **Director:** **E. Price** Joe Morris P Conte N Schaber M Riel P Sambell	**Vocational** **Director:** **C. Shields** N Au T Weir C Finocchiaro	**Community** **Director:** **P. Smarrelli** Julie Morris D De La Coeur C Verrocchi N Pinder G Lyons E Higgins D Sullivan	**Club Administration** **Director:** **K. Subramanian** G. Mogford
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Bulletin **J McCarthy** P Peyton P Gilbert	**Public Relations** **R. McCall** E Price E Higgins & any club members to assist	**Attendance** **G Mogford** G McIlvenna P Smarrelli	**Programs** **G.Mogford**	**House** **Joe Morris** P.Peyton D De La Coeur
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	District Conference **G McIlvenna**	**RIMERN** **R McCall** Julie Morris Joe Morris E Price		**Secretary** G McIlvenna **Treasurer** F Smith **Special Projects** P Smarrelli

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.

GUNFIRE BREAKFAST 2023

THE ROTARY FAMILY

Peter Peyton

Approaching 50th – 16/5/1973

Wayne O'Neill

Approaching 30th – 21/4/1993

Chris Shields 8/5

CLUB NEWS

CLUB PRESIDENCY 2024-2025: With great enthusiasm at the meeting of April 27 the Board has selected Rotarian **Peter Sambell**. Meanwhile, for the Rotary year 24/25, Peter will be President Elect/Club Services Director and Board member.

VOCATIONAL INTERIM NOTES: Chris Shields provided dates for Award presentations and Events for:

- Pride of Workmanship (PP Paul Josephson) Hospitality Awards – 7th June at club meeting.
- Bernie Lamers Building Industry Award - 7th June at club meeting.
- RYDA & Road Safety Education (RSE) – Thursday, May 11th 2023 Parade College Preston Campus (Incursion, no volunteers needed)
- Tuesday, 18th July 2023 Preston High School @ Broadmeadows (6 Volunteers needed)

- Friday, 21st July 2023 Preston High School @ Broadmeadows (6 Volunteers needed). Other schools still a possibility are; Reservoir, Thornbury, William Ruthven. Northcote High unlikely.

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
May-03	Kannan Subramanian	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	Peter Byrne	Paul Smarrelli
May-10	Natalie Au	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	David De La Coeur	Max Walsh
May-17	Peter Peyton	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	David Sullivan	Suzanne Still
May-24	Kannan Subramanian	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	Julie Morris	Elaine Price
May-31	Natalie Au	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	Peter Byrne	Peter Peyton
Jun-07	Claude Verrocchi	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	Peter Byrne	Ian Musgrove
Jun-14	Suzanne Still	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	David Sullivan	Kannan Subramanian
Jun-21	Kannan Subramanian	Peter Gilbert Norbet Schaber	David De La Coeur	Natalie Au
Jun-28	Change Over		David Sullivan	

BUNNINGS BARBIE: Next Bunnings Barbie will be Saturday May 13 – the day before Mother's Day.

CHANGEOVER NIGHT - 28th June.

VENTILATOR ACCOMMODATION SUPPORT SERVICE (VASS): President Ruth and Sec Geoff presented the Bunnings vouchers worth $1,100 to the Project Manager, Susana Owen, & Andrew Laidlaw (President Global Gardens for Peace) at the VASS home.

Construction is well underway. The first tier planting is planned for May 22. Details to follow soon. Obviously it is a big job and when finished will be of great 'green' living experience for the residents.

COMMUNITY SERVICE BRIEF REPORT PRESENTED TO CLUB MEMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 19 APRIL 2023 – Community Director Paul Smarrelli:

Special thanks to PP Julie Morris for the service provided as the Director of Community Service Committee for six months of 2022 - 23 Rotary Year.

Our agreed focus this year has been of local projects with Club Member's involvement and further support from friends of Rotary. Projects completed include financial donations and service to organisations that provided Guest Speakers at our Club weekly meetings include: Vinnies Soup Van, Matt Glover,

Koori Community Collingwood flood relief, Caritas Christi Hospice, Dardi Munwurro, ARH Indigenous Health Scholarship and Police Veterans Victoria.

Larger funded projects include Lift the Lid Hat Day, Pinchapoo Packathon that produced 1,000 sundry toiletries packs ready to go towards Flood Relief in our Regions, Ventilator Accommodation Support Services (VASS). Our regular Anzac Dawn Service on 25 April will once again be successful with the support from a strong team of twenty plus supported by Club members, family of members and friends of Rotary.

As in previous years the Community Police Awards was a great success with two outstanding nominations received from local Police Stations: Senior Sergeant Lee-Anne Hamilton and Sergeant Leanne Parfett. The winner of of this year's Rotary Community Police Award went to Sergeant Leanne Parfett.

Senior Sergeant, Lee-Anne Hamilton represented the Rotary Club of Preston nomination for the District 9790 Peter Toomey Police Officer of the Year 2022/ 23. The results of the District 9790 Award will soon be announced. Specials thanks to PP Elaine Price for the ongoing Dedication in managing the Community Police Awards Annual program

Overall, the $10,000 expenditure in this current year has made a difference through donations and special events to support local Communities.

THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE made a donation of $500 to a project being the supply of a Water Well for children in Madagascar to the guest speaker at a club meeting last October.

Other donations planned to be made this Rotary Year are as follows:

Medecins Sans Frontiers,

Rotary Oceania Medical Aid (ROMAC),

Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM),

Rotary Overseas Relocated Playgrounds (RORP)

Interplast,

Our Rotary Club has a guest speaker on the 17th May speaking on an International Project and that may be a program that we might care to support also.

Peter Peyton – Chair International Committee

Youth Report April 2023

Director Chair: PP Elaine Price:

Committee: Joe Morris, Peter Sambell, Norbert Schaber, Paul Conte, Mel Riel

Projects	Leaders	Budget $5000	Month	PROGRESS REPORTS
Rotary Exchange Pocket Money $150 per month for incoming student.	**Elaine Price**	**$1800**	**All Year**	**To date have not received any invoices from District.** **It appears that the club will not be required to pay this money.**
Pat Cronin Foundation	**Elaine Price**	**$500**	**Feb Complete**	Donation made after Steve Layt presented to the club on Feb 8th. Will pass on his information to local schools for presentations.
School Scholarships	**Youth Committee**	**$1,500**	**Dec Complete**	Three Scholarships of $500 donated to Thornbury, Reservoir and William Ruthven high schools. Thanks to Norbert and Paul for attending the presentation nights.
RYPEN	**Elaine/Ruth/Club** **Ruth is managing in my absence overseas.**	**$508.73**	**March** **Complete**	**Youth committed to support up to 4 students to attend the RYPEN Camp in Kinglake. Applications due by March 10th.** **Two students from Reservoir High attended the camp. Thanks to Ruth Peter P and Kannan for supporting this project in my absence.**
Rotary Youth Exchange	**Elaine/Committee/** **Ruth**	**???**		**President Ruth received an email asking the club to sponsor a short-term exchange student. However, Ivanhoe are listed as the sponsoring club.** **Contacted Ivanhoe President and I've sent the application to him.** **Ruth McCall waiting to hear from Stuart Waite in relation to this.**
Matt Glover/MGA	**Joe**	**$150**	**Aug Complete**	**MGA counselling Services training specialists in LGBTQI issues and culture.**
Telisa Trust	**Elaine/Geoff Mc**	**$500**	**March**	**Monies for schooling support due to home difficulties. Based on Telisa continuing her education.**

Total Cost $		**$3158.73 Not including $1800**		

It is with great sorrow that the Youth Committee lost its member Peter Lamers, RIP Thanks for your contribution.

The club has been approached re Rotary District 9790 Exchange asking when it takes place. I directed Iris Thompson the Rotary District 9790 Exchange site for information. I also suggested should they want to apply; it would be best to contact a few clubs for support. {Discussion at will take place at the club's assembly next Wednesday to determine if the club will take part} *

The Science Experience is to be rolled out all over the country at various learning houses. The courses vary in costs. This is a Rotary Districts of Australia initiative and supported program for students in Years 9 & 10. I will send information to local schools after the schools return after holidays and hopefully the club can support a few students.

- Note for newer members. If the club supports an outgoing long-term student, then the club is expected to support an incoming student. The requirement for a student to board with club members or other community members is that they are to be vetted by the club.

PP Elaine Price Youth Chair

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President Ruth stresses that Board Members and Committee Chairs and Members are always open for ideas - local, district, international.

WORDS OF RI PRESIDENT JENNIFER JONES: *"As you do so, it's important to provide information that helps our Rotary family connect with others who are implementing activities in their regions, as well as across the world. Let's share our successes and learn from one another...."*

<u>CLUB MEETING this WEDNESDAY MAY 3</u>: Midday as usual but with the presence of **District Governor David McPherson**. Also at the meeting, there will be an acknowledgement of 2 senior members – **Peter Peyton** for his 50 years of service and **Wayne O'Neill** for his 30 years membership.

Partners and friends are certainly welcome but all attendees are asked to **contact Julie this weekend**.

VENTILATOR ACCOMMODATION SUPPORT SERVICE (VASS)

ANZAC DAY 4am and 5am shifts - then all over.

Closing down and part of a team shift above still looking fresh.

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