

**ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.**  
**District 9790**

CHARTER GRANTED 21-12-1960  
PO Box 299, Preston, 3072

Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm  
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St Georges Road, Preston

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Elaine Price, Peter Byrne, Paul Smarrelli, Geoff McIlvenna,  
Frank Smith, David De La Coeur, Rosemary Wilcox, Chris Shields,  
Peter Peyton, Carla Finocchiaro, Wayne O'Neill, Kannan Subramanian

## Rotary Club of Preston – Past Presidents

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

ROTARY GRACE



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## SPEAKER LAST WEEK



**KEVIN TRASK:** Stories came in abundance, names of famous entertainers were dropping like rain while the 'mature' audience was taken back in time. Kevin Trask has lived a life which sees him on radio, on the stage, in the press and reveling in the thrilling life of his cousin Diana.

Not many present last Wednesday admitted to listening to Inner FM Radio 96.5FM where Kevin has been presenting a programme "*That's Entertainment*" for over 24 years. He can be heard on Sundays at midday. Two weeks back he interviewed Dean Martin's daughter, Diana, who will be at the Palms on Crown on Feb 20. On Sunday nights on 3AW radio at 8.20 Kevin does a segment called *Remember When*.

Melbourne  
**Observer** 

40 years has seen Kevin working in theatre, acting in over 100 productions and directing many more. His last was a three week sell-out Fawlty Towers show at Lilydale. Again names abounded.

The Melbourne Observer (Wednesdays \$2.95) carries a weekly column written by Kevin. He invited his audience to purchase a copy when next in the city.

A recent article was the interview with Baz Luhrmann (Strictly Ballroom).

Kevin finished with an overview of his cousin, the renowned entertainer Diana Trask.



Diana won a Melbourne Talent Quest run by Doug Elliott. A short time later, 1959, she was backing Frank Sinatra in his Australian visit. This began a lifelong friendship with Sinatra. Then over to the U.S. and the start an epic journey - the Frank Sinatra Show and hundreds of others. The rest is history.

Kevin's latest venture has been to help Diana with her recently published autobiography entitled *"Whatever Happened to Diana Trask"*. The book is an easy and interesting read.

*Wishing to borrow a copy for a read - contact the Editor.*

## **NOTES AND NEWS**

**OLYMPIC VILLAGE EXODUS COMMUNITY:** Excerpts from a recent letter of Brother Harry Prout to the Club.

*"Through Ben Bliss, your Club supported our family Christmas giving by providing our Family and Children Team with a huge variety of gifts for children.*

*Those volunteers who were privileged to deliver the gifts spoke of expressions of delight and excitement from the families, especially the children, realizing that they had not been forgotten."*

**MUSKAAN SCHOOL BHOPAL, INDIA:** The Club has had contact with Muskaan which is now a RAWCS project. The Rotary Club of Eltham is the Australian partner. Members will remember a Club talk on the project which aims at building hope, respect and life opportunities for children and their communities through effective, engaging and relevant education. Latrobe University has come into the scheme with volunteers and student placements particularly in education and health fields. This is very positive growth and hopefully it will continue to flourish. Muskaan is ready to accept donations, hands on support and any other aid.

[www.muskaansupportaustralia.com](http://www.muskaansupportaustralia.com)

**COMBINED CLUBS MEETING** at Watsonia RSL, Wednesday Feb. 18, will be reported in the Bulletin, Wednesday, March 4.

## DIARY DATES

DATE		
<b>Feb. 25</b>	Chair	David Warry
	Speaker	Greg Quinn
	Topic	BrainLink
	Welcomes	Peter Gilbert
	House	Norbert Schaber
	Sergeant	Ian Musgrove
<b>March 4</b>	Chair	Peter Byrne
	Speaker	Brett Allchin
	Topic	Rotarian behind the Badge
	Welcomes	Bernie Lamers
	House	John McCarthy
	Sergeant	Lenore Thornton



## FAMILY OF ROTARY

### KATHLEEN GRIFFITHS

passed away February 8<sup>th</sup> after many years of battling Alzheimer's disease.

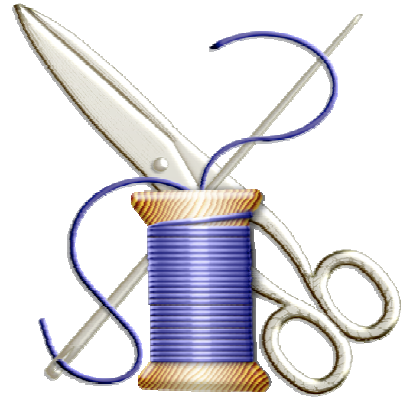
Kath was known to seniors in the club and was predeceased by her husband, Norm, Club President 2002-2003.

### Wedding Ann.

Asha and Om Pahuja 20/2  
Vasiliki and Ken Kirby 23/2

**VISITOR LAST WEEK: Bruce West** (International Entertainment - Circus Quirkus)

It is no mean effort to have 45+ stitches sewn into the foot and that was the batting average for Paul Harris Fellow **GERRY SMITH!** What a hero. No laughing matter for Gerry. Members will be happy when she is again out and about in full flight. In the meantime Frank is to be seen more often working in the kitchen when not pushing the wheelchair!



## **LOOKING FORWARD**

### **FEBRUARY (New RI Calendar) PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION AND RESOLUTION MONTH**

**BOLLYWOOD NIGHT**: Café Saffron, South Morang, 6.30 for 7pm, Feb. 28, 2015. \$60 a head with drinks supplied and, if western food is required, please mention when booking. Contacts: Asha Pahuja and David De La Coeur.

**ROTARY TODAY CONFERENCE**: Wangaratta, 19-22 March, 2015.

**CHANGEOVER NIGHT 2015**: Provisorial date is Wednesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at the NMIT Polytechnic (Conference Centre).

*Items/news for the Bulletin send to  
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## Rotary Club of Preston COMMITTEES 2014-15

INTERNATIONAL	YOUTH SERVICES	VOCATIONAL	COMMUNITY	CLUB ADMINISTRATION
CHAIR: Peter Byrne	CHAIR: Chris Shields	CHAIR: Carla Finocchiaro	CHAIR: Rosemary Wilcox	CHAIR: Paul Smarrelli
DEPUTY CHAIR: Asha Pahuja	DEPUTY CHAIR Lenore Thornton	DEPUTY CHAIR Frank Smith	DEPUTY CHAIR Kannan Subramanian	Cashiers
Bernie Lamers	David Sullivan	David Warry	Paul Josephson	Joy Crampton
Norm Pinder	Ken Kirby	Ian Musgrove	Wayne O'Neill	David Warry
Gary Mogford	Paul Donovan	Kapil Argarwal	Joy Crampton	Kapil Argarwal
		Les Woodland		Norbert Schaber (Backup)
FOUNDATION	MEMBERSHIP & CLASSIFICATIONS	FUNDRAISING & CIRCUS QUIRKS	Public Relations	House
CHAIR: Peter Peyton	CHAIR: David de la Coeur	CHAIR: Wayne O'Neill	CHAIR: Kannan Subramanian	Norm Pinder
DEPUTY CHAIR Peter Gilbert	DEPUTY CHAIR Norbert Schaber	Peter Gilbert	Ian Musgrove	Norbert Schaber
John McCarthy	Geoff McIvenna	Les Woodland	Bernie Lamers	John McCarthy
	Les Woodland	Asha Pahuja		
Bulletin	IT/Website	Attendance	Sergeants	Welcomes
John McCarthy	Kannan Subramanian	Gary Mogford	David Sullivan	Bernie Lamers
Lenore Thornton	Paul Josephson	Peter Peyton	Ian Musgrove	Carla Finocchiaro
Peter Gilbert	David De La Coeur	Ken Kirby	Lenore Thornton	John McCarthy
Fellowship	Club History	Family of Rotary	Les Woodland	Asha Pahuja
Paul Josephson	Paul Smarrelli	Peter Peyton	David De La Coeur	Peter Gilbert
Bernie Lamers	Peter Gilbert	Elaine Price		Norbert Schaber
Geoff McIvenna	Paul Josephson	Lenore Thornton		Programs
Christmas Lunch	On-to-Conference	Life Education	Exodus	Ian Musgrove
Les Woodland	Geoff McIvenna	Carla Finocchiaro	Rosemary Wilcox	Les Woodland

### ROTARY GRACE:

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days.**

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Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1976	PP ▲	Bernie Lamers	08/05/1997
◆ PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	▲ ▲	Gerry Lamers	08/05/1997
◆ PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981		Norm Pinder	25/06/1997
◆ PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982		Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998
◆ PP	Mark Crampton	10/08/1983	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
PP	Bill Wonder	01/05/1985	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
	Laurie Jones	01/03/1986	◆ ◆	John McCarthy	05/07/2000
	Cliff Kendall	01/03/1986	◆ PP	Les Woodland	05/07/2000
PP	Arthur Morgan	01/03/1986		Rick Kirwan	26/06/2002
◆ PP	Jack Morris	01/03/1986	◆	Wayne O'Neill	26/06/2002
◆ PP	Ian Cleland	24/07/1987	◆	Frank Smith	26/06/2002
◆ PP	Ken Land	24/07/1987	◆ PP	Ian Musgrove	25/06/2003
PP	Norm Griffiths	30/09/1987	◆ PP	Rosemary Wilcox	25/06/2003
PP	Keith Porter	30/09/1987	PP	Lindsay Gale	12/07/2006
PP	Bryan Steele	16/12/1987	◆ PP	Carla Finocchiaro	12/07/2006
PP	Reg Dick	26/04/1989		Peter Lamers	12/07/2006
	Lyall Dexter	27/06/1990	◆	Elaine Price	04/07/2007
▲ ▲ ▲	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991	PP	Richard Gozdzik	28/06/2008
◆	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992		Pauline Josephson	16/06/2009
◆ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	◆ PP	Les Price	05/08/2009
◆ ◆ ◆ PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	◆ ▲	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010
◆ PP	Max Kirwan	30/06/1993	PP	David Warry	06/2012
◆ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	David Sullivan	06/2012
◆	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	PP	Hillary Ellis	06/2012
	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	PP	Eric Thornton	06/2012
▲ PP	Peter Gilbert	28/06/1995	PP	Vin Ross	06/2012
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995	PP	Arthur Grubb	11/2012
◆ ◆ ◆ PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	▲	Alf Armstrong	11/2012
◆ ◆ ◆ PP	Geoff McIlvenna	26/06/1995	◆ PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
				Gerry Smith	18/12/13
◆ Denotes Sapphire Pin		▲ Denotes Ruby Pin = 6 Sapphire Pins			



## 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.