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District 9790

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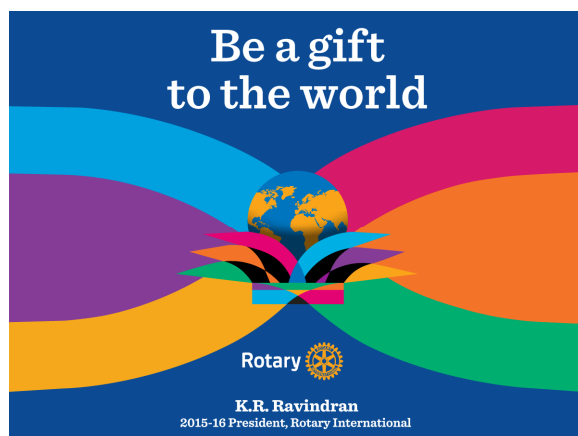
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Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2015/16

<u>International</u> Director Chair: P Byrne Dep K Agarwal B Lamers A Pahuja P Gilbert G McIlvenna	<u>Youth Services</u> Director Chair: E Price Dep P Josephson K Kirby P Donovan D Warry C Shields Joe Morris N Orchard	<u>Vocational</u> Director Chair: C Finocchiaro Dep D Sullivan L Woodland F Smith N Schaber N Pinder S Makris	<u>Community</u> Director Chair: Julie Morris Dep B Allchin R Wilcox P Josephson W O'Neill D De La Coeur C Verrocchi A Pahuja S Walsh Frank Brass	<u>Club Admin.</u> Director Chair: G McIlvenna
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<u>Bulletin</u> J McCarthy P Gilbert E Price D De La Coeur C Finocchiaro	<u>IT/Website</u> K Sabramanian D De La Coeur P Josephson K Kirby N Orchard S Makris	<u>Attendance</u> G Mogford P Peyton I Musgrove	<u>Programs</u> Ian Musgrove L Woodland E Price B Allchin C Shields N Orchard	<u>House</u> N Pinder N Schaber G McIlvenna P Josephson L Woodland C Verrocchi Joe Morris S Walsh
<u>Fellowship</u> P Josephson B Lamers P Gilbert	<u>Club History</u> P Gilbert P Peyton P Josephson G McIlvenna	<u>Family of Rotary</u> P Peyton E Price D Sullivan L Thornton	<u>Sergeants</u> D Sullivan I Musgrove L Woodland D De La Coeur Peter Byrne Julie Morris	<u>Welcome</u> B Lamers C Finocchiaro Julie Morris B Allchin J Morris S Walsh
<u>Christmas Lunch</u> L Woodland	<u>Conference</u> G McIlvenna	<u>Life Education</u> C Finocchiaro	<u>Exodus</u> P Josephson	<u>Birthday Cards</u> G Smith
<u>Rotary Info</u> P Gilbert G McIlvenna P Peyton I Musgrove				

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

KOGO – Knit One Give One: In a previous life Ros Rogers was a pharmacist. KOGO, a not for profit organization was started by Ros during a particularly cold 2004. Ros' daughter was a driving force with her observation regarding those unable to get warm. Ros took it on board and she was able to team up with 180 scarves in the first year. In no time beanies entered the request list.

After a published article more volunteers lined up. It was magic. sorting, distributing, expanding the field. With the 2009 bushfires blankets became a need. A public appeal for knitters saw an explosive response. One thing led to another. Knitted toys and, 250 partnered organizations as receptors -



refugees, asylum seekers, women's' refuges, outreach groups, community support groups, crisis accommodation. The list is endless.

2014 brought KOGO into the tax deductible field and this increased the ability to fundraise. This enabled the team to organize Christmas gifts and also the buying of toys that could be knitted. Now the Christmas gifts are prepared all year round; specially directed gifts are bought at much cheaper prices.

In 2015 KOGO distributed 62,500 hand crafted winter woollies to the most vulnerable in our community. Across Australia KOGO numbers 5,000 knitters. Ages range from primary school age to a senior of at 100 plus! Now KOGO includes those who crochet. The incoming garments are sorted and packed by volunteers and tagged with "*Hand knitted with love by KOGO*".

Ros finished with the oft repeated principle of "*it is in the giving that we receive*".

CLUB NEWS

ANZAC DAWN SERVICE GUNFIRE BREAKFAST: *from President Paul*



It was a great Honour for me to represent the Rotary Club of Preston at the ANZAC Dawn Service and a great Privilege for the opportunity to Lay a Wreath in memory of those who fell in battle and those who have since passed away.

The morning was an excellent team effort from Rotarians and Partners with strong leadership from PP Paul Josephson. 22 volunteered their services. Over 250 egg and bacon

rolls were served after the ANZAC Dawn Service. A Great Success!

Thank you all for your courageous 4am early rise and for making this event a great one You have done it once again!

Paul Josephson seconded President Paul's statement while David De La Coeur drew applause from members in thanking Paul Josephson and Geoff Mcilvenna for all the work they put in for the occasion.

PRESTON NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE. A presentation of \$1,000 was made through Community Development Team Leader Cate Thompson. This will be used not for the Laneway Lunches provided every Friday, but for the activities fostered following the meals with the aim of better integration and ongoing involvement with the community. Preston and Thornbury Neighbourhood Houses have now combined. Preston meets at the hall next to 218 High St Preston.



DIARY DATES

DATE		
May 4	Chair	Rosemary Wilcox
	Speaker	Sean Walsh
	Topic	Rotarian Behind The Badge
	Welcomes	Julie Morris
	Sergeant	David De La Coeur
	House	Norm Pinder
May 11	Chair	Julie Morris
	Speaker	Annie Keogh
	Topic	Carers Australia
	Welcomes	Sean Walsh
	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	Norbert Schaber
May 18	Chair	Carla Finocchiaro
	Speaker	Brett Allchin
	Topic	Rotary Cheers Volunteers
	Welcomes	Bernie Lamers
	Sergeant	Peter Byrne
	House	Geoff McIlvenna

BELL BARDIA COMMUNITY MEAL ROSTER

May 18

Paul Josephson, Paul Donovan

ROTARY CHEERS VOLUNTEERS: National Volunteering Week - May 9-15. An initiative of the Club's Vocational Committee is that of highlighting the service of volunteers by establishing a sequence of awards to 2 symbolic volunteers each year for 3 years. Symbolic but strenuously significant.

Calculations number volunteers in Australia at 5.8 million. Of those surveyed 93% reported seeing positive change as a result of their work.

In establishing these awards the Club Committee is seeking to publicly



affirm the indispensable value of volunteering as well as the gratitude of the entire community, the latter oft times overlooked. This year's awards will be made at the coming meeting, May 18.

FAMILY OF ROTARY

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Cate Thompson (Preston Neighbourhood House); Police Sergeant Lorna McCarthy (Crafty Coppers Club).

WELCOME BACK to Bernie Lamers while, as we go to press, it has been a delayed welcome home to Gerry. Bernie reports that he is enjoying the domestic chores though cleaning out the roof spoutings is a bit of a challenge!

PDG DON COX is back home after a speedy triple by-pass. All's well and all Members send him enthusiastic greetings

knit (v.)

Old English cnyttan "to tie with a knot, bind together, fasten by tying," related to Old Norse knytja "bind together, form into a knot," Middle Low German knütten "to tie, knot," Old English cnotta "a knot," from Proto-Germanic *knuttjan, from stem *knutt-. Of brows, late 14c.

Birthdays	David Warry 5/5, Chris Shields 8/5, Bernie Lamers 10/5
Wedding Ann.	Julie and Joe Morris 27/4 (Running late by one week!)



LOOKING FORWARD

May: Youth Service Month

BRINGING THE LIGHT - Story of Seven Women: Thurs. 26 May, 6.30. ACMI Cinema, Federation Square

trybooking.com/KLFFK

ALL THE DAYS AFTER (Black Saturday Bushfires and more): Author Sue Gunningham will be guest speaker at an evening meeting June 8.



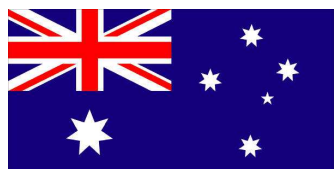
CLUB CHANGEOVER NIGHT: 6 July, 6.30 for 7pm upstairs at the Olympic Hotel, cnr. Bell and Albert

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2017: 16-19 March at Shepparton - Paradise Lakes Motel already booked for the Club.

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.

Rotary Club Of Preston					
Paul Harris Fellows			Paul Harris Fellows		
		Year Awarded			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		Rick Kirwan	26/06/2002
	Laurie Jones	01/03/1986	♦♦	Wayne O'Neill	26/06/2002
	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	Ian 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		Peter Lamers	12/07/2006
PP	Keith Porter	30/09/1987	♦♦ PP	Elaine Price	04/07/2007
PP	Bryan Steele	16/12/1987	PP	Richard Gozdzik	28/06/2008
PP	Reg Dick	26/04/1989		Pauline Josephson	16/06/2009
	Lyall Dexter	27/06/1990	♦PP	Les Price	05/08/2009
▲▲▲	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991	♦♦♦	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010
♦	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Warry	06/2012
♦PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	David Sullivan	06/2012
♦♦♦PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	06/2012
♦PP	Max Kirwan	30/06/1993	PP	Eric Thornton	06/2012
♦PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Vin Ross	06/2012
♦	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	11/2012
	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	▲	Alf Armstrong	11/2012
▲▲ PP	Peter Gilbert	28/06/1995	♦♦PP	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995		Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
♦♦♦PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	♦	Lenore Thornton	25/02/2015
♦♦♦PP	Geoff McIlvenna	26/06/1995		Kim West	24/06/2015
▲▲▲ PP	Bernie Lamers	08/05/1997	♦ PP	Peter Byrne	26/8/2015
▲▲▲	Gerry Lamers	08/05/1997	♦	Margaret Smith	16/12/15
	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997		Jack Wilcox	9/3/2016
♦ 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.