

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.
District 9790

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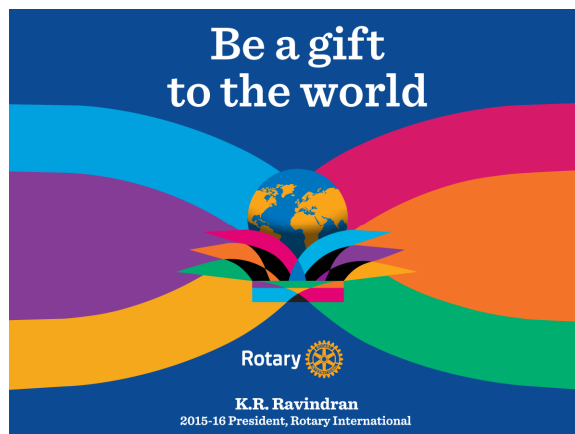
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BOARD

Paul Smarrelli, Geoff McIlvenna, David De La Coeur,
Peter Peyton, Julie Morris, Peter Byrne, Frank Smith,
Carla Finocchiaro, Elaine Price, Wayne O'Neill

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
<u>Foundation</u> Director Chair: P Peyton P Gilbert G McIlvenna R Wilcox C Shields E Price	<u>Membership & Classifications</u> Director Chair: D De La Coeur Deputy: I Musgrove L Woodland K Subramanian N Schaber B Allchin N Orchard	<u>Fundraising & Circus Quirkus</u> Director Chair: W O'Neill P Peyton P Gilbert	<u>Public Relations</u> Chair: K Subramanian E Price I Musgrove L Woodland F Brass	<u>Cashiers</u> J Crampton N Schaber R Wilcox P Josephson D Sullivan C Verrocchi Joe Morris S Walsh
<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				

WELCOME TO VISITORS TODAY REPRESENTING

**Childrens Protection Society
InterPlast
Romac
Operation Cleft
Mental Illness Fellowship
North East Region Life Education
Childrens First Foundation
Darebin R.S.L.**

SPEAKER LAST WEEK



SUE GUNNINGHAM'S story went out to an awestruck audience. It was raw and compelling. Sue told of her search for her partner Barry Johnston on that Black Saturday, 7 February, 2009, in which 173 people lost their lives.

Sue had spoken to Barry less than 30 minutes before the fire struck. He was at their Waldene home he had built amongst the eucalyptus. All was calm. The fire hit and destroyed everything except the chimney stack.

Barry was always very fire alert and had built a fire bunker. It was in

it that he took refuge and perished. Investigators later deemed the design as inappropriate for anything other than a grass fire. The roof should have been made of reinforced concrete and should have been buried by a half metre of earth rather than by a few centimeters.

Sue's talk centred on her 3 days of frantic frenetic searching for Brian. Did he survive or was he in refuge? It was both heart-wrenching for Sue in the telling as it was also for her audience to hear. Again, one of those experiences the hearer can only imagine.

3 days of no communication with Brian; of trying to get through blocked roads to her home; of seeking information from info desks; of dodging hungry reporters; of confusion amongst the confused.

The sole light seemed to be that which came from the kind, the sensitive, the thoughtful personnel capable of reading her tragic situation and responding in a compassionate manner.

CLUB NEWS



Board meeting @ the Smarrelli homestead

COMMITTEE REPORTS - 23 June: *DAYS* are beginning to run thin for annual reports for the Changeover Bulletin. Cut-Off DATE for reports is June 23. Perhaps a quarto page or two.

- jmcpresto@netspace.net.au

ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE: *For 3 Sundays this year, with 20 other participants I have attended this course at Euroa Secondary College. It was conducted by very knowledgeable volunteer Rotarians. Given an impressive folder with lots of notes, questions and resources, I learnt too much to list here but a couple of interesting facts to pass on were;*



- *One club in the country area has pre-schoolers/ babies attending with their parents*
- *Club fees vary from \$100 to \$350 annually and weekly meetings vary from \$5 (for no meal) to \$35*
- *The biggest club has about 60 members*
- *Women have been in Rotary since 1989*
- *Another club has sponsored Exchange students continuously for 45 years!*
- *I picked up that Preston is known for its good organization/management.*



Lastly, a bit of history. In 1942 World Rotarians called for a conference to promote international education and cultural exchanges. This event inspired the forming of UNESCO.

I encourage any Rotarian interested in broadening their knowledge to create time to attend. The club pays the cost of course, next Part one is 7 August.

- Julie Morris

SPEAKER JUNE 22 - BILL CHAPMAN: Bill commenced a 40 year career in Municipal Engineering as a Cadet Engineer with the Shire of Dandenong in November 1954 retiring 40 years later as Executive Engineer from the City of St Kilda. Together with wife Barbara they then established WC Convenience Management which markets, installs and maintains over 500 EXELoo Accessible Public Toilets across Australia.

He first joined Rotary in July 1976 as a foundation member of RC Upper Yarra in D9810. In 1981 he joined RC Casterton when Shire Engineer/Building Surveyor and following his return to Melbourne in 1983 joined the RC Moorleigh where he has as served as President and held other positions over the years. Currently he is D9810 Chairman of Water and Sanitation, and Sanitation adviser on Wasrag's Technical Committee.

In 2012 he compiled the Wasrag Sanitation Guidelines which can be viewed at www.wasrag.org. Currently involved in the management and sanitation advisor with a Global Grant project on Sumba Island in Indonesia.

Bill is also Fleet Commodore for Victorian Rotary Yachting.

FAMILY OF ROTARY

Birthdays	Peter Peyton 18/6
Wedding Ann	Sonja Barbis and Mel Riel 16/6 Lyn and Gary Mogford 21/6 Mary and Claude Verrocchi 17/6
Rotary Ann.	Norm Pinder 20/6, Paul Smarrelli 20/6

VISITORS LAST WEEK: Great it was to welcome 11 guests last week including Global Student Lia. It was also the first visit for Sonja Barbis. Welcome Sonja!

ROTARY CHEERS VOLUNTEERS


DIARY DATES

June 15	Chair	President Paul
	Speakers	Invited Guests
	Topic	Major Donations
	Welcomes	Julie Morris
	Sergeant	David De La Coeur
	House	Geoff McIlvenna
June 22	Chair	Julie Morris
	Speaker	Bill Chapman
	Topic	Rotary and WaSH Projects/Programs
	Welcomes	Bret Allchin
	Sergeant	Peter Byrne
	House	Paul Josephson

LOOKING FORWARD

June: Rotary Fellowships Month

DEADLINE FOR COMMITTEE CHAIR ANNUAL REPORTS is June 23 - jmcpresto@netspace.net.au

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

CIRCUS QUIRKUS: 6th AUGUST - 3 presentations; times yet to be finalized.

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			Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows			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	PP	David Warry		06/2012
♦	Gladys Morris		13/05/1992	PP	David Sullivan		06/2012
♦ PP	Vin Murphy		24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis		06/2012
♦♦♦ PP	Peter Peyton		24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton		06/2012
♦ PP	Max Kirwan OAM		30/06/1993	PP	Vin Ross		06/2012
♦ PP	Paul Smarrelli		29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb		11/2012
♦	Joy Crampton		29/06/1994	▲	Alf Armstrong		11/2012
♦	Jess Cleland		28/06/1995	♦♦ PP	David De La Coeur		17/04/2013
♠	Peter Gilbert PDG		28/06/1995	♦	Gerry Smith		18/12/2013
♠	Barbara Gilbert		15/09/2010	♦	Lenore Thornton		25/02/2015
PP	Neil Grierson		28/06/1995	♦	Kim West		24/06/2015
♦♦♦ PP	Paul Josephson		28/06/1995	♦ PP	Peter Byrne		26/8/2015
♦♦♦♦	G. McIlvenna PDG		26/06/1995	♦	Margaret Smith OAM		16/12/15
♠ PP	Bernie Lamers AM		08/05/1997	♦	Jack Wilcox		9/3/2016
♠	Gerry Lamers AM		08/05/1997				
♦	Norm Pinder		25/06/1997				

♦ Denotes Sapphire Pin

▲ Denotes Ruby Pin = 6 Sapphire Pins

♠ Denotes Major Donor



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.