

# ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

## District 9790

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

Meets Wednesday, 12.30pm  
Darebin RSL Bell St, Preston

District Governor:  
Tony Bramley (Pamela)

Assistant Governor:  
Kay Feain

## BULLETIN

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Club President: 1994-95

District 9790 Governor: 1997-98



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**ROTARY  
SERVING  
HUMANITY**

### OFFICE BEARERS

Hon. Secretary: **Frank Smith**  
Hon. Treasurer: **Peter Gilbert**

Past President: **Paul Smarrelli**  
President Elect: **Julie Morris**

### BOARD

**P. Josephson, P. Byrne, P. Peyton,  
D. De La Coeur, W. O'Neill, E. Price, F. Brass**

## Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2016/17

<u><b>Community</b></u> <b>Director</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Josephson</b> S. Walsh B. Lamers C. Verrocchi J. Crampton L. Thornton F. Brass A. Morton  e-mail: M. Kirwan	<u><b>International</b></u> <b>Director</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Byrne</b> N. Schaber K. Agarwil A. Pahuja K. Subramanian B. Allchin  e-mail: N. Grierson	<u><b>Vocational</b></u> <b>Director</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Smarrelli</b> D. De La Coeur M. Riel L. Woodland W. O'Neill I. Musgrove L. DeFazio	<u><b>Youth Services</b></u> <b>Director</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>E Price</b> Joe Morris D. Warry C. Finocchiaro D. Sullivan N. Pinder S. Bell	<u><b>Foundation</b></u> <b>Director</b> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Peyton</b> P. Gilbert J. McCarthy R. Wilcox G. Mogford C. Shields
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### **Club Service**

**Director: Julie Morris**

<u><b>Membership &amp; Classifications</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>D. De La Coeur</b> P. Smarrelli D. Sullivan M. Riel N. Pinder	<u><b>IT/Website</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>F Brass</b> K Subramanian D De La Coeur L Thornton	<u><b>Public Relations</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>F. Brass</b> K. Subramanian I. Musgrove Joe Morris J. McCarthy M. Riel	<u><b>Bulletin</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>J. McCarthy</b> Joe Morris P. Peyton B. Allchin P. Gilbert
<u><b>Programs</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>J. Morris</b> P. Smarrelli C. Shields G. Mogford A. Pahuja D. Warry	<u><b>House</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>N. Pinder</b> N. Schaber B. Lamers C. Verrocchi P. Byrne B. Allchin L. Woodland W. O'Neill	<u><b>Welcome</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>Julie Morris</b> B. Lamers C. Finocchiaro Joe Morris C. Verrocchi E. Price K. Subramanian A. Pahuja	<u><b>Cashiers</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>N. Schaber</b> J. Crampton R. Wilcox P. Josephson C. Shields P. Peyton
<u><b>Attendance</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>G. Mogford</b> N. Schaber J. Crampton R. Wilcox	<u><b>Sergeants</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>D. Sullivan</b> C. Verrocchi I. Musgrove L. Woodland D. De La Coeur S. Walsh	<u><b>Fellowship</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Josephson</b> F. Smith C. Shields R. Wilcox B. Lamers	<u><b>Family of Rotary</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>L. Thornton</b> J. McCarthy B. Allchin A. Pahuja D. Warry E. Price
<u><b>Rotary Information:</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>L. Thornton</b> F. Brass S. Walsh M. Riel	<u><b>Club History</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>P. Peyton</b> F. Smith P. Gilbert N. Pinder	<u><b>Fund Raising</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>W. O'Neill</b> S. Walsh	<u><b>Life Education</b></u> <b>Chair:</b> <b>C. Finocchiaro</b> F. Smith D. Sullivan G. McIlvenna
<u><b>Christmas Luncheon</b></u> L. Woodland	<u><b>On to Conference</b></u> G. McIlvenna	<u><b>RI World Conference</b></u> P Gilbert	

## SPEAKER LAST WEEK

**ROTARIAN BEHIND THE BADGE:** Sandra Bell, she prefers "Sandie", only briefly touched on her family background - bus/caravaners/dwellers, musicians and prosperous entrepreneurs. Dad had his own band in Mildura "The Sunraysia Stompers" and Mum led youth groups assisting the local disadvantaged and teaching gymnastics.



When the family moved to Adelaide her two sisters won scholarships with Adelaide Children's Choir and Sandie trained professionally as an opera singer for 7 years. In late 2011 she joined Jonathon Welch's "The Choir" resulting in connecting with a 39 member group recruited from around Australia and named Kwaya (meaning "*choir*" in Swahili). Kwaya set off to Kampala, Uganda, and worked with the African Children's Choir. Sandie's aim was to make a difference but confided the greatest difference was in herself. The disparity and contrast of the two countries echoed Janet Jackson's song of the 70's - "*Don't it always seem to go, you don't know what you've got till it's gone!*"

At times while in Africa, Sandie, remembering home - the unworn clothes in her wardrobe, the cost of her last dinner out, the superficial preoccupations of Aussie life - often she would stop in an African street and cry! On departing Africa a young Ugandan mother who has lost 2 young children within

a few months tenderly and joyfully consoled Sandie who had tears in her eyes. Note: While Sandie was speaking Members were indulging on Passionfruit Syrup Cheesecake with cream!

For Sandie her life in Africa is benefit. *"I promise not to let this be an experience that instills great guilt because I have been born lucky/rich/with good health and access to decent facilities BUT rather an experience that increases this awareness, helps me to learn the best way to share my 'wealth' - both awareness and via education".*

Sandie has started a little not-for-profit called **Music For Change Inc.** supplying instruments or voice lessons for the local disadvantaged and currently they have 4 children in sponsorship. Her working experience has been varied - Dental Assistant, Career and Employment Consultant, IT Systems Tester, Service Manager in Car Dealerships (Honorary Club Member PP Max Kirwan). Currently a volunteer with the Reservoir Neighbourhood House Community Pantry. At the RNH Sandie will co-ordinate and run an 8 week **'Return To Work'** course.

Sandie's heightened awareness of difference is certainly something that resonates with each Member of the Club.

## CLUB NEWS



### SAUSAGE SIZZLE:

Saturday May 27<sup>th</sup> drew in a profit of \$2,000 to the Red Shield Appeal. As at 6pm on Sunday night the Victorian giving



mounted to \$4.7million. Members may have noted that collectors on the roads were not as visual as in the past. One main cause of this shortage was that a number of councils now do not allow such collections.

Rotarian Brett Allchin thanked all for their efforts and stressed that 100% of the weekend's appeal goes to where there is need in the community.

**ROTARY SKILLS WORKSHOP:** Friday June 23, 10.30, all Rotarians are invited to the workshop to see the fit-out. The workshop is up and running and this is a chance to see its live beauty.

**A NIGHT with R.I. PRESIDENT IAN RISELEY and JULIET** @ Plenty Ranges Arts and Convention Centre, South Morang - Saturday 22nd July, 6.30pm for 7.00pm Start. \$75 per ticket includes two course dinner.

[www.diamondcreekrotary.org.au](http://www.diamondcreekrotary.org.au)

**REPORTS FOR CHANGEOVER BULLETIN:** Absolute closing date is Friday June 16. Then it goes to the Printer. Reports can be emailed any time. Chairs are requested to email their reports in **Word**.

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**VISITOR LAST WEEK:**

Lia Caelli (Reservoir Neighbourhood House).

Lia noted with gratitude the groceries brought to the meeting at the request of Sandie Bell.



## FAMILY OF ROTARY

**A BIG WELCOME** today to visitors Christine Abson (Good Samaritan Inn) and Helena Ferreira (Bundoora Extended Care), contacts of the Community Service Committee.

<b>Rotary Anns.</b>	Paul Josephson 11/6/86, Neil Grierson 8/6/72
<b>Birthday</b>	Shaun Walsh 11/6
<b>Wedding Ann.</b>	Pauline and Paul Josephson 9/6



### **PAUL HARRIS FELLOW:**

Respected for his commitment to communities both local and international, last Wednesday Rotarian Chris Shields was awarded a Paul Harris in recognition of his gift to Rotary Foundation.

In receiving the award Chris spoke of recent polio figures and encouraged Members in the centenary appeal for donations of \$40 - the original 'fee' in 1917.



## COMING EVENTS

DATE		
<b>June 7</b>	Chair	Paul Smarrelli
	Speaker	Robert Simmons
	Topic	<b>Travelling Conmen &amp; Scams</b>
	Welcomes	Peter Peyton

	Sergeant	Les Woodland
	House	Bernie Lamers
June 14	Chair	Paul Josephson
	Speaker	<b>Major Donations</b>
	Topic	Paul Smarrelli
	Welcomes	Paul Josephson
	Sergeant	David Sullivan
	House	Peter Byrne

### **CHANGEOVERS - NEIGHBOURING CLUBS:**

- R. C. of Kinglake Ranges - Sat 1<sup>st</sup> July 6.30 for 7pm
- R.C. of Greensborough - Sat 15<sup>th</sup> July 6.30 for 7pm
- R.C. of Whittlesea - Mon 19<sup>th</sup> June 6.30 for 7pm
- R.C. of Benalla - Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> June

### **JUNE: Rotary Fellowship Month**

#### **MAJOR DONATIONS DAY, 14th June.**

The Mayor of Darebin has accepted the Club invitation to attend on the day.

**CLUB CHANGEOVER:** An evening meeting, June 28<sup>th</sup>.

**THE PRESENT D.G.E.** will visit the Club as D.G. September 13th.

**R.C. OF ALBURY 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY** @ Commercial Hotel Sat 4<sup>th</sup> Nov.

#### **DISTRICT CONFERENCE YARRAWONGA-MULWALA:**

22-25 March 2018. Preston booked in at Lake View Motel.

### **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

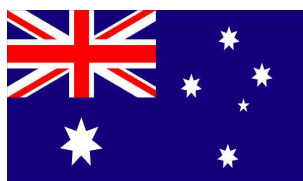
Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1975		Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998
♦ PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
♦♦ PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
♦ PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982	♦♦♦	John McCarthy	05/07/2000
♦ PP	Mark Crampton	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	27/06/2012
♦	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	David Sullivan	27/06/2012
♦ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	27/06/2012
♦♦♦ PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton	27/06/2012
♦ PP	Max Kirwan OAM	30/06/1993	PP	Vin Ross	27/06/2012
♦♦ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	PP	Arthur Grubb	7/11/2012
♦♦	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	▲	Alf Armstrong	7/11/2012
♦	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	♦♦♦	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	26/06/1996	♦	Margaret Smith OAM	16/12/15
♣ PP	Bernie Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Jack Wilcox	9/03/2016
♣	Gerry Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Norbert Schaber	6/07/2016
♦	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997		Chris Shields	31/05/2017

♦ 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.