

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

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

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**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

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**Carla Finocchiaro, Joe Morris, Norbert Schaber, Wayne O'Neill**

# Committees - 2017-2018

<b>International</b>	<b>Youth Service</b>	<b>Vocational</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>Foundation</b>
<b>Director Chair</b> <b>P Byrne</b> Dep I Musgrove  K Agarwil K Subramanian J Roose Email N Grierson	<b>Director Chair</b> <b>Joe Morris</b> Dep N Schaber  N Pinder S Bell B Allchin P Conte	<b>Director Chair</b> <b>P Smarrelli</b> Dep L Defazio  M Riel L Woodland C Verrocchi D de La Coeur Email M Kirwan	<b>Director Chair</b> <b>S Walsh</b> Dep E Price E Higgins A Morton L Thornton D Sullivan J Crampton D Warry	<b>Director Chair</b> <b>C Shields</b> Dep R Wilcox  P Peyton P Josephson B Lamers P Gilbert Email P Donovan
<b>Membership/</b> <b>Classifications/</b> <b>Rotary Information</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>C Finocchiaro</b>  P Smarrelli P Josephson	<b>PR WebSite IT</b> <b>Chair F Brass</b>  K Subramanian L Defazio J McCarthy I Musgrove G Lyons	<b>Bulletin</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>J McCarthy</b>  P Peyton C Finocchiaro	<b>Family of</b> <b>Rotary</b> <b>/Fellowship</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>P Josephson</b>  E Price R Wilcox A Morton	<b>Fundraising</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>W O'Neill</b>  Joe Morris E Price P Peyton F Smith P Gilbert
<b>Welcomes</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>S Bell</b>  M Riel B Allchin B Lamers A Morton L Defazio C Shields D Warry	<b>Sergeants</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>D Sullivan</b>  I Musgrove L Woodland D Warry D De La Coeur C Verrocchi S Walsh L Thornton P Byrne	<b>House</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>N Pinder</b>  P Byrne L Woodland B Allchin K Agarwil K Subramanian W O'Neill M Riel	<b>Cashiers</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>N Schaber</b>  J Crampton R Wilcox L Thornton P Josephson S Bell P Peyton	<b>Attendance</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>G Mogford</b>  P Smarrelli J Crampton
<b>Club History</b> P Peyton P Gilbert	<b>Seniors Christmas</b> <b>Luncheon</b> L Woodland	<b>District</b> <b>Conference</b> G Mc Ilvenna	<b>RI World</b> <b>Conf.</b> P Gilbert	<b>Programs</b> <b>Chair J</b> <b>Joe Morris</b> P Smarrelli I Musgrove
<b>Life Education N E</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>C Finocchiaro</b> F Smith D Sullivan G Mc Ilvenna D De La Coeur Plus 7 non Rotarians	<b>Personal Care Packs</b> <b>Co Chair</b> <b>L Thornton</b> <b>Co Chair</b> <b>A Morton</b> Dep C Verrocchi S Bell Joe Morris Geoff McIlvenna	<b>Children's First</b> <b>Next Step</b> <b>Chair</b> <b>G McIlvenna</b>  B Lamers D De La Coeur C Verrocchi F Smith		<b>Club Service</b> <b>F Brass</b>

**We acknowledge that we are on the traditional land of  
the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and  
we pay our respects to their forebears past and present.**



*Now . . . . .*

*Let's*

*Make*

*A*

*Big*

*Difference!*

**MAKING A DIFFERENCE:** It takes volunteering, planning, co-working, time and energy. The BBQ at Bunnings 2 days before Christmas had all that. A great success.

12 Rotarians, 2 partners, 2 police officers with 2 of their teen-age children! New Rotarian Paul Conte was cooking and serving. Cook-of-the-Day was Gary Mogford with his rolling cooking line ensuring the snags were always at the ready. All leftovers went to Brett Allchin and the Salvos. \$2,598.55 takings on the day with a profit of \$1912.15.



All will go to the new Physio room at the Kilmore Childrens First Farm. So, with a target of \$20,000 for the essential equipment for the children, Geoff McIlvenna affirms "***We will make it***". That's *Making a Difference!*



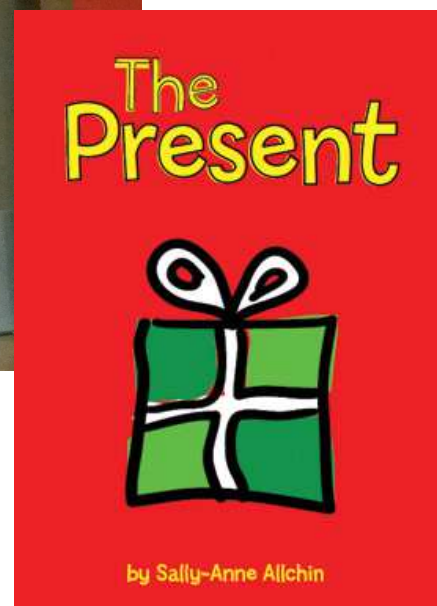
# CHRISTMAS 2017

It was John Denver who wrote his hit tune *Annie's Song* while on a 10 minute ski-lift ride. Similarly, SALLY-ANNE ALLCHIN chose the No. 19 tram ride from North Coburg to the City during which she planned and wrote her Christmas-themed book *The Present*.



At the 2017 Christmas wind-up dinner Sally-Anne used her 14 page pre-schooler colour-in book, *The Present*, to illustrate the meaning of the birth of Jesus.

Sally-Anne concluded her words with a brief prayer. While succinct, her presentation was both catchy and to the point. To use her word, "*uncomplicated*", just as Christmas ought be.





# FAMILY OF ROTARY

## BREAKING NEWS:

Shortly, CHRIS SHIELDS will give a more complete picture.

At last week's informal lunchtime meeting Chris stunned those present with his news of his recent marriage.

The occasion happened in Juaben, Ghana, on 30/12/17 at 10am local time.

It was a traditional wedding with



traditional dress and with Pastors from the Presbyterian Church and Church of Pentecost officiating.

Her name is ESTHER KONADU BOATENG. Esther lives in Kumasi, Ghana and is an Accountant with the Centre for National Culture. She has 2 sons, Manasseh 14 & Ephraim 8.

## INA MYRTLE DUNCAN ROGERS

*Sharing the podium with her twin sister Gwen, President Julie Morris took over from the early 50's in their shared eulogy for Ina, their deceased mother.*

*Dying just a few weeks short of 100, Ina's was the complete life in all directions and the crowd present at her farewell at the Church of Christ, Essendon, was prayerfully relaxed.*

*To President Julie and Joe and their family, Members and Partners extend their warm solidarity.*



**MAARIT HEIKKINEN** (centre) came out to District 9790 in 1995 as an exchange student from Finland. The experience was so cherished by her that she revisited Australia last year and brought her family to the Christmas dinner at the Club.

Pictured here are Maarit with husband Panu and children Oona, Opri and Otto. This photo was taken at a December reunion-dinner with some of her Preston Rotary host families of 22 years ago. Maarit and her family look very much at home!



<b>Birthday</b>	<b>Frank Smith 17/1</b> (Aussie Tennis Champs that year - Dinny Pails and Nancye Bolton)
<b>Wedding Ann.</b>	<b>Debbie and Wayne O'Neill 20/1/79</b>

**ASHA PAHUJA**, Club Rotarian since her induction in 2011, has resigned as an active member of the Club.  
All join in wishing Asha and Om a joyous future.

## COMING EVENTS

<b>Jan. 17</b>	Chair	Brett Allchin
	Topics	Amateur Bee Keeping Rotary Youth Leadership Award
	Speakers	Jason Jackson Makayla Walles
	Welcomes	Gerry Lyons
	House	Norm Pinder
	Sergeant	Shaun Walsh
<b>Jan. 24</b>	Chair	Joe Morris
	Topic	National Youth Science Forum
	Speaker	Taya Ferraro
	Welcomes	Paul Conte
	House	Mel Riel
	Sergeant	Lenore Thornton
<b>Jan. 31</b>	Chair	Sandra Bell
	Topic	Interact Australia
	Speaker	Tim Weir

## 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.

# 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. In joyful strains then let us sing **Advance Australia Fair**.

Rotary Club Of Preston					
Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded	Paul Harris Fellows		Year Awarded
PP	Alf Bean	17/12/1975	PP	John McInnes	15/09/1999
◆ PP	Ron Grierson	22/11/1978	PP	Rod Draper	15/09/1999
◆◆ PP	Perc Cleland	11/03/1981	◆◆◆	John McCarthy	05/07/2000
◆ PP	Roy Kilkenny	07/04/1982	◆ PP	Les Woodland	05/07/2000
◆ PP	Mark Crampton	10/08/1983		Rick Kirwan	26/06/2002
PP	Bill Wonder	01/05/1985	◆◆	Wayne O'Neill	26/06/2002
	Laurie Jones	01/03/1986	◆◆◆	Frank Smith	26/06/2002
	Cliff Kendall	01/03/1986	◆ PP	Ian Musgrove	25/06/2003
PP	Arthur Morgan	01/03/1986	◆ PP	Rosemary Wilcox	25/06/2003
◆ PP	Jack Morris	01/03/1986	PP	Lindsay Gale	12/07/2006
◆ PP	Ian Cleland	24/07/1987	◆ PP	Carla Finocchiaro	12/07/2006
◆◆ PP	Ken Land	24/07/1987	◆	Peter Lamers	12/07/2006
PP	Norm Griffiths	30/09/1987	◆◆ PP	Elaine Price	04/07/2007
PP	Keith Porter	30/09/1987	PP	Richard Gozdzik	28/06/2008
PP	Bryan Steele	16/12/1987	◆	Pauline Josephson	16/06/2009
PP	Reg Dick	26/04/1989	◆ PP	Les Price	05/08/2009
	Lyall Dexter	27/06/1990	PP	David Warry	27/06/2012
			PP	David Sullivan	27/06/2012
♣	Alf Osborne	26/06/1991			
◆	Gladys Morris	13/05/1992	PP	Hillary Ellis	27/06/2012
◆ PP	Vin Murphy	24/06/1992	PP	Eric Thornton	27/06/2012
◆◆◆ PP	Peter Peyton	24/06/1992	PP	Vin Ross	27/06/2012
◆ PP	Max Kirwan OAM	30/06/1993	PP	Arthur Grubb	7/11/2012
◆◆ PP	Paul Smarrelli	29/06/1994	▲	Alf Armstrong	7/11/2012
◆◆	Joy Crampton	29/06/1994	◆◆◆	David De La Coeur	17/04/2013
◆	Jess Cleland	28/06/1995	◆	Gerry Smith	18/12/2013
			◆		
♣	Peter Gilbert PDG	28/06/1995		Lenore Thornton	25/02/2015
			◆		
♣	Barbara Gilbert	15/09/2010		Kim West	24/06/2015
PP	Neil Grierson	28/06/1995	◆ PP	Peter Byrne	26/8/2015
◆◆◆ PP	Paul Josephson	28/06/1995	◆	Margaret Smith OAM	16/12/15
◆◆◆					
◆◆◆	G. McIlvenna PDG	26/06/1996		Jack Wilcox	9/03/2016
♣ PP	Bernie Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Norbert Schaber	6/07/2016
♣	Gerry Lamers AM	08/05/1997		Chris Shields	31/05/2017
◆	Norm Pinder	25/06/1997		Kate Austin	28/6/2017
	Kevin Aylward	24/06/1998			
◆ Denotes Sapphire Pin    ▲ Denotes Ruby Pin = 6 Sapphire Pins    ♣ Denotes Major Donor					