

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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THE FAMILY OF ROTARY

Frank Smith

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CLUB NEWS

**ROTARY HOLIDAYS ARE OVER!
NOW PRESTON ROTARY IS UP AND RUNNING!**
Let's make this the best year ever
Let's Create Hope in the World!

TUESDAY, 30TH JANUARY - **THE FIRST FOODBANK RUN** to the Reservoir Neighbourhood House arriving at about 11.15am onwards. Anybody who can help to unload on this date are most welcome to attend

WEDNESDAY, 31ST JANUARY Club meeting at the Darebin RSL 12.30PM for 12.45PM start. Please check the roster in the Bulletin if you are listed for a duty on that day. NB: Presence at a normal club meeting gives vitality, deepens Rotary friendship and keeps members alive to the club's service activities.

WEDNESDAY, 7TH FEBRUARY - **COMMUNITY POLICE AWARD** meeting. All members and friends are urged to attend this special day. Numbers for this day will be taken at next Wednesday's meeting or let PP Elaine or PP Paul know. This is essential for catering.

SATURDAY 10TH FEBRUARY - **BUNNING'S SAUSAGE SIZZLE.** Volunteers required urgently for the 2 afternoon shifts: 12noon to 2.00pm (4 vacancies) and 2pm to 4.30pm (4 vacancies). If able to assist please let Sec. Geoff know via text, phone, or email.

FORGOTTEN OR PROCRASTINATING? The TIME IS UP! D9790 CONFERENCE IN SHEPPARTON, FRI 19TH, SAT 20TH, SUN 21ST Sec Geoff must have replies from members who have indicated their intention to attend by WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY2024. Also a deposit of \$100 must be paid by this date to reserve your accommodation at the club's favourite motel. Any rooms vacant on this date will be cancelled.



WELCOMING AND HEARING R.I. PRESIDENT GORDON McINALLY:

The following is a letter from D.G. Emma Davis.



District 9790 is partnering with Districts 9810 and District 9820, and so have secured a visit with Rotary International President Gordon McInally for June 2024.

Sunday 2 June: Lunch at RACV Cape Schanck: Rarely does the Australian Rotary family have the opportunity to meet the Rotary International President and hear him first hand. Please consider this invitation in context of a fantastic opportunity being afforded to all of us. Think about getting a group together and coming along to show some Aussie support from our Districts.

Monday 3 June: Full day symposium in Frankston. A contemporary and practical understanding of current-day mental health conditions and navigating through recognition, understanding, and support of those around us. A one-day mental health and wellbeing symposium; leaders looking after self and others.

WEEKLY ROSTER: JANUARY-MARCH 2024

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Jan-31		Peter Gilbert & Ruth McCall	Julie Morris	Max Walsh
Feb-07	Chris Shields	Norbert Schaber & Peter Gilbert	David De La Coeur	Elaine Price
Feb-14	Suzanne Still	Norbert Schaber & Paul Smarrelli	David Sullivan	Norm Pinder
Feb-21	Carla Finocchiaro	Norbert Schaber & Elaine Price	Joan Roose	Julie Morris
Feb-28	Joan Roose	Peter Gilbert & Paul Smarrelli	Max Walsh	Gary Mogford
Mar-06	Chris Shields	Norbert Schaber & Peter Byrne	Norm Pinder	Peter Peyton
Mar-13	Joe Morris	Peter Gilbert & Gary Mogford	Julie Morris	Chris Shields
Mar-20	Max Walsh	Norbert Schaber & Paul Smarrelli	David De La Coeur	Norm Pinder
Mar-27	Gary Mogford	Elaine Price & Peter Gilbert	Peter Byrne	Carla Finocchiaro

COMMUNITY POLICE AWARD: An important annual event and this year celebrated by the club and Victoria Police on February 7. Much sourcing has gone into discovering whom the senior police members of the district nominate for the position. The criteria for the nomination follows:

The officer would have been required to have a minimum of 2 years service in the respective Police area concerned.

The Officer will be nominated by the Officer in Charge of each Police Station or Work Unit, and the nomination and the supporting case history is forwarded by the Local Area Commander for consideration.

The Officer will have demonstrated outstanding service to the Community with particular emphasis to the following:

- Police values of flexibility, leadership, integrity, respect, professionalism and support to both the Police Service and their community.
- The member's overall work ethic and contribution to the work environment and that of the community

DISTRICT CONFERENCE, Shepparton, **19-21 April 2024**. Deposits of \$100 for rooms to Frank Smith.

NEXT B.B.Q. at BUNNINGS: Saturday 10th February 2024. The roster is now open. Book your spot now.

COMING SPEAKER

Date	Topic	Speaker
Jan-24	Australian Rotary health Indigenous scholarship	

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CLUB INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE REPORT; Our initial involvement with Rotary International matters this Rotary Year was to have speak to us Mark Balla. Mark is internationally referred to as the “Toilet Warrior”. John McCarthy reported on Mark’s visit to District Conferences and Rotary Clubs around the world in our number 10 Bulletin of 10th September 2023. Our club donated \$400 to Mark’s action group earlier this Rotary year.



Rotary Overseas Relocated Playgrounds (RORP) is the collection of playgrounds designated as being no longer safe for public use. Our club members have been involved in this programme with the demolitions and storage. Our member Suzanne Still being the major donor towards the shipping of a twenty-foot container travelling to Joan Roose's school, in India. We have helped the programme achieve its first goal by

loading the container. The equipment is collected from councils and or private operators, with no fee paid by Rotary, packed into an overseas container and shipped to a designated location. The last container was packed at Donations in Kind in Somerville Road, West Footscray by Rotarians, under the directions of Bob Allardice from Nunawading Rotary and left our shores late last year. We are awaiting advice re its safe landing at Joan's school.

The International committee members present at last week's meeting, met and planned the programme for the completion of our activities for this Rotary year.

Int. Com. Dir. Peter Peyton

International Committee Members: P.Peyton, S.Still, E.Boateng, P.Gilbert, K.Agawal, J. Roose

Club Website addresses:

The account details for the Rotary Club of Preston:

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