

ROTARY CLUB OF PRESTON Inc.

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Rotary Club of Preston 9790 COMMITTEES: 2022/23

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<u>Bulletin</u> J McCarthy P Peyton P Gilbert	<u>Public Relations</u> R. McCall E Price E Higgins & any club members to assist	<u>Attendance</u> G Mogford G Mcllivenna P Smarrelli	<u>Programs</u> Joe Morris	<u>House</u> Joe Morris P Lamers P.Peyton D De La Coeur
<u>Fellowship</u> Elaine Price Julie Morris P Byrne G. Mcllivenna	<u>Family of Rotary and Club History</u> P Peyton P Gilbert G Smith G Mcllivenna P Smarrelli	<u>World Conference</u> P Gilbert R McCall G Mcllivenna E Higgins G Lyons	<u>Sergeants</u> D Sullivan D De La Coeur Julie Morris Peter Byrne Peter Gilbert	<u>Rotary Information</u> P Peyton P Gilbert G Mcllivenna P Smarrelli
	<u>District Conference</u> G Mcllivenna	<u>RIMERN</u> R McCall Julie Morris Joe Morris E Price All members invited to assist in Volunteering		Secretary G Mcllivenna Treasurer F Smith Special Projects P Smarrelli

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

SPEAKER LAST WEEK

The façade of **The Pavilion School** (TPS) does not illustrate the specialised modelling and the futuristic structure of the education being shared inside. **Andrew Zarafa**, the Pathways Coordinator, has served at the school since its early days. Chair Paul Smarrelli described Andrew's work as one of the hardest jobs he has witnessed in his career.

The TPS aims to re-engage young people who are currently cut off from any form



of education by providing students with a relevant and individually tailored curriculum. TPS aims to provide students with a learning environment that is supportive and productive and seeks to create literate, numerate and curious learners. Teachers and support staff primarily seek to create and maintain a positive environment by following a student-centred approach, one that older Rotarians would not have experienced in their school days.

It was a mammoth task for Andrew to summarise recent developments at the school, particularly the building of the Rotary Skills Workshop and Hands On Learning Shed. Then, in recent times, it's totally new supply of work/trade instruments. This brings with it the daily developments of new trade areas and the off campus implementation of these newly learned student skills.

With the help of Rotary funds many new socialising areas as BBQ, outdoor/pergola and veranda, outdoor tables and dining areas all crafted and designed in the Hands On Learning Shed have been constructed. During and after the Covid lockdown many local community groups and families enjoyed the outdoor recreation area and now continue to do so.

Andrew was most grateful to Preston Rotary and more recently other clubs for their generous assistance over these years.



THE ROTARY FAMILY



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Claude Verrocchi 6/3

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL NEWS

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

MELBOURNE 27-31 MAY 2023.

CLUB NEWS

Weekly Roster February - March 2023

If unable to attend please find substitute

DATE	WELCOMES	CASHIERS	SERGEANT	CHAIRPERSON
Mar-01	Suzanne Still	Peter Lamers Elaine Price	Peter Gilbert	Paul Conte
Mar-08	Ian Musgrove	Chris Shields Norbet Schaber	David De La Coeur	Max Walsh
Mar-15	Natalie Au	Peter Lamers Paul Conte	David Sullivan	Paul Smarrelli
Mar-22	Elaine Price	Gary Mogford Norbet Schaber	Julie Morris	Carla Finocchiaro
Mar-29	Peter Peyton	Peter Lamers Natalie Au	Peter Byrne	Claude Verrocchi

BUNNINGS BARBIE: Saturday 11th March

UPCOMING SPEAKER:

1 March	Heather Harris	Nursing in conflict zones
8 March	Carla Finocchiaro	Rotarian behind the badge

SUNBURY ROTARY IS TURNING 50 and invitations are out for Prestonians



to celebrate the event with them. It will be an award night and new projects will be announced for all clubs to join.

Saturday April 1, 2023 Time: 7pm to 10pm.
Location: Roomba's Mt Aitkin is \$70 per person. Location: Roomba's Mt Aitkin, 33 Cadana Road, Gisborne South.

<https://www.trybooking.com/CFNBB>

NATHALIA ROTARY IS TURNING 60 and the club will celebrate with an evening at the Nathalia Recreation Reserve, Saturday 15th April at 6.30pm. It will be a 2 course meal at \$35 per head. Prestonians and friends most welcome – RSVP 12th April by 6pm. [Contact Loula Oliver – 0418 147 977](mailto:events@childrenfirstfoundation.org.au)

GALA BALL: To date three club couples will be attending the Children First Annual GALA BALL Friday, 28 April 2023. 2 more couples or 4 persons would make a complete table. Contact Sec. Geoff.

Standard tickets are now available till April 4, 2023 only! \$2750 for a table of 10 guests, \$275.00 per person single tickets. Corporate packages are available. events@childrenfirstfoundation.org.au

DARDI MUNWURRO, the Indigenous Leadership Training & Coaching Centre at 558 High Street, has grown to be a state-wide family violence prevention service. The club is assisting the Rotary Club of Eltham in running a free barbie on location in helping build relationships in the northern suburbs between the indigenous community and the police. Preston is recruiting 3 members for the day, Friday, 24 Feb. Contact Sec. Geoff.

JACOBS WELL TRIVIA NIGHT: Friday, March 24, Melbourne Bowls Club, Union Street, Windsor, 6.30 for 7.30PM. Pre book your burger via Booking Tickets. <https://www.trybooking.com/CFWBO>

CLub Website addresses:

www.rotary-prestonaust.com

Info to Ruth McCall

The account details for the Rotary Club of Preston:

Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000, A/c 154 200 034

For member donations - Australian Rotary Foundation Trust

Bendigo Bank BSB 332 084, A/c 551 038 195

“Rotarians care for nature.”

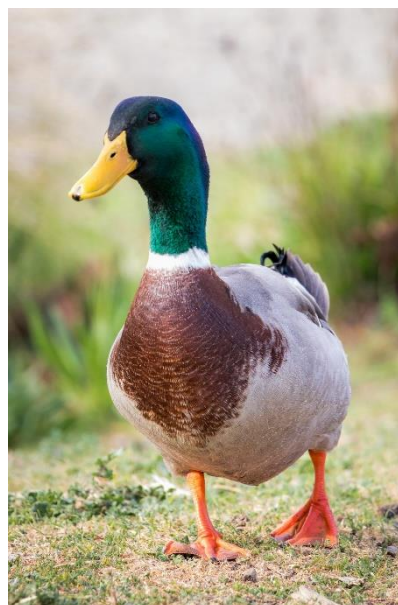
Jennifer Jones Rotary International President.

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TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE RELIEF EFFORTS: Turkey and Syria were struck by a devastating earthquake on 6 February that has killed tens of thousands of people, destroyed thousands of homes and other structures, and left people across the region without shelter in bitterly cold winter weather.

The Rotary world responded to this catastrophe immediately. RI President Jennifer Jones activated our disaster response efforts, communicated with the affected districts, and encouraged governors in those regions to apply for disaster response grants and share information about their relief efforts so that Rotary can amplify the calls for support.

The Rotary Foundation Trustees decided that, from now until 31 March, all donations made to the Turkey/Syria Disaster Response Fund will be used to aid earthquake relief projects through disaster response grants.

Here's how to have the greatest impact through: ROTARY AUSTRALIA WORLD COMMUNITY SERVICE (RAWCS).

Turkey and Syria Appeal: <https://donations.rawcs.com.au/59-2022-23>
